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At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday, the 8th day of January, 1886**, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

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1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board, held on the 18th and 23rd December last, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings respectively.

2. Read a Letter, as follows—

Firsleigh, Isleworth on Thames,
6th January, 1886.

DEAR SIR JAMES,—My health having failed, I resign my position as Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works, for the Parish of St. James, Westminster.

I thank you, Sir James, and all my colleagues, for that genial feeling shown to me during the nine years I have been associated with the Metropolitan Board of Works.

With every sincere wish for the continued prosperity of the Board,

Believe me, &c.,
(Signed) THOMAS HENRY ELAM.

Sir James M^cGarel-Hogg, Bart., K.C.B., M.P.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the resignation of Mr. Elam be notified to the Vestry of St. James', Westminster.

3. This being the day for receiving Tenders for the supply of 2,000 tons of Manganate of Soda, 1,000 tons of Sulphuric Acid, and 100 tons of Caustic Soda, for deodorizing purposes,

The Clerk laid before the Board the several Tenders which he had received pursuant to the Advertisement issued in accordance with the Board's Resolution of 11th December last (No. 4).

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Tenders be now opened.

Tenders from the undermentioned persons were then opened—

Tenders for Manganate of Soda.

Mr. H. B. Condy, Battersea.

Messrs. Middleton, Kirkpatrick, and Barr (per J. A. Guthrie), No. 4, Cullum-street.

„ Sadler and Co. (Limited), No. 85, Gracechurch-street.

„ Tennant, Sons, and Co., No. 9, Mincing-lane.

„ C. Christopherson and Co., London Agents for Messrs. James Muspratt, of No. 31, Dale-street, Liverpool. (Also offering to sell to the Board 20 tons of Soda which they have accumulated.)

„ W. V. Robinson and Co., No. 6, Market-buildings, Mincing-lane.

Tenders for Sulphuric Acid.

Messrs. F. W. Berk and Co., No. 1, Fenchurch-avenue.

Mr. Pearce, Chemical Works, Bow-common.

Messrs. Sadler and Co., Limited, No. 85, Gracechurch-street.

„ Tennant and Sons, No. 9, Mincing-lane.

„ C. Christopherson, No. 17, Great Tower-street.

„ J. Gibbs and Co., No. 16, Mark-lane.

„ Knight, Hill, and Co., No. 18, Billiter-street.

„ W. V. Robinson and Co., No. 6, Market-buildings, Mincing-lane.

„ J. Puddy and Co., Nos. 10 and 11, Mincing-lane.

Tenders for Caustic Soda.

Messrs. C. Christopherson and Co., No. 17, Great Tower-street.

„ Knight, Hill, and Co., No. 18, Billiter-street.

„ Tennant, Sons, and Co., No. 9, Mincing-lane.

Mr. H. B. Condy, Battersea.

„ G. P. Nightingale, No. 2, Fowkes-buildings, Great Tower-street.

Messrs. J. Laurie and Co., No. 63, Old Broad-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and *resolved*—That the said Tenders be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to accept those which may appear most advantageous for the Board; that the Committee do report to the Board the course taken, and that the Engineer, the Accountant, and the Chemist do report to the Committee upon the several Tenders.

4. Mr. Brown handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Fulham District.

Broadway House, Hammersmith, W.,

8th day of January, 1886.

SIR,—This Board is desirous of carrying out an Improvement by widening a portion of Greyhound-road, Fulham, as shown on the accompanying Plan.

Greyhound-road is an important thoroughfare, forming a link of communication between the main highways known as Fulham Palace-road and North-end-road, with a great and increasing daily traffic.

The rear walls of the gardens attached to the houses in St. Andrew's-road, shown upon the Plan and coloured pink thereon, are proposed to be set back for a length of about 250 feet to a line shown by red colour upon the accompanying Plan, and for the purpose of improving the road the Board have decided to purchase the land described for the sum of £300, subject to the sanction of the Metropolitan Board of Works being obtained; and I have now to ask the Metropolitan Board for their consent to the proposed Improvement, for a contribution of one-half the cost of the same, and that they will grant this Board a Loan for the remainder.

There will not be any re-coupmnt, the whole of the land purchased being thrown into the road-way.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOMAS EDW. JONES,
Clerk to the Board.

The Clerk of the
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

The Plan referred to was laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Brown, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Letter as relates to a contribution to the cost of the Improvement be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the application for a Loan of a moiety of the cost of the work be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

5. Mr. Selway, in the absence of Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 4th January, 1886.

Your Committee beg to report that they have considered the Letter, referred by the Board on the 23rd December last (No. 28), from the United Telephone Company, Limited, asking the Board to re-consider the applications of the Company for permission to erect a pole on the Board's premises in Spring-gardens, for the purpose of carrying the Company's Telephone wires, and to erect two wooden poles on the West side of the temporary Bridge at Hammersmith. Your Committee, after carefully considering the applications, are still of opinion that it is unadvisable to grant the requests, and they recommend—

That the Company be informed that the Board are unable to depart from their previous decisions to that effect.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. M^cGAREL-HOGG,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ,
P. W. FUNNELL.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the United Telephone Company, Limited, be informed in reply to their renewed applications for permission to erect a pole on the Board's premises in Spring-gardens, for the purpose of carrying the Company's Telephone wires, and for permission to erect two wooden poles on the West side of the Hammersmith temporary Bridge, that the Board, having again considered the subject, are unable to depart from their previous decisions, declining to accede to the requests.

6. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 22nd December, 1885.

Your Committee have to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for

8 *January*, 1886.

the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
18th August, 1885.	Mr. J. Craggs, complaining of two roads in the "N" postal district being named so much alike as George's-road and St. George's-road.
12th and 27th January and 13th May, 1885.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-naming certain streets in the Parish.
2nd June, 1885.	Westminster District Board, for re-numbering the houses in certain streets in the District.
24th October, 1885.	Lewisham District Board, that Penge-lane, leading from Sydenham-road to Beckenham and Penge, may be re-named "Newlands-park, S.E."
27th October, 1885.	Messrs. Vallance and Co., requesting that George-yard, Lombard-street, may be re-named "Lombard-avenue."
9th November, 1885.	Vestry of Kensington, that the houses in Harrington-gardens may be re-numbered.
2nd December, 1885.	Wandsworth District Board, requesting that the portion of Granfield-street, nearest High-street, Battersea, may be re-named "St. John-street," and forwarding a Memorial from owners and occupiers of houses to that effect.

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

- That St. George's-road, Tufnell-park, be re-named "St. George's-avenue, N."
- That Albany-place, Redhill-street, be re-named "Redhill-place, N.W."
- That Augusta-street, Harmood-street, be re-named "Harmood-place, N.W."
- That Cumberland-street, Goodge-street, be re-named "Little Goodge-street, W."
- That Cumberland-street West, Albany-street, be re-named "Cumberland-street, N.W."
- That Greenland-grove, Cromer-street, be re-named "Lucas-place, W.C."
- That Hawley-road West, Chalk-farm-road, be re-named "Hawley-street, N.W."
- That Henry-street, Hampstead-road, be re-named "Seaton-street, N.W."
- That Modbury-terrace, Malden-road, be re-named "Modbury-street, N.W."
- That Pleasant-row, Highgate-road, be re-named "Carrol-place, N.W."
- That Prince of Wales-avenue, Malden-road, be re-named "Wellesley-place, N.W."
- That Princess-terrace, St. Mark's-square, be re-named "Princess-road, N.W."
- That Sion-terrace, Brighton-street, be re-named "North-terrace, W.C.," in continuation.
- That Torriano-yard, (Ward No. 1), St. Pancras, be re-named "Welch's-yard, N.W."
- That Whitefield-street, Malden-road, be re-named "Shipton-place, N.W."
- That St. Margaret's-terrace, Spencer-terrace and Rochester-place, Westminster, be incorporated with Cobourg-row, and the houses re-numbered.
- That the houses in Bessborough-place, Westminster, be re-numbered.
- That the houses in Blue Anchor-court, Westminster, be re-numbered.
- That the houses in Carey-place, Westminster, be re-numbered.
- That the houses and premises in Ennismore-mews, Westminster, be re-numbered.
- That the houses in St. Ann's-lane, Westminster, be re-numbered.
- That the houses in Vincent-place, Westminster, be re-numbered.
- That the house at the corner of Hide-street, Westminster, at present numbered 52, Vincent-street, be re-numbered 101A, Vincent-street.
- That the portion of Penge-lane, Penge, which is within the jurisdiction of the Board be re-named "Newlands-park, S.E."
- That George-yard, Lombard-street, City, be re-named "Lombard-avenue, E.C."
- That the houses in Harrington-gardens, Kensington, be re-numbered.

That the Wandsworth District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter, requesting that the portion of Granfield-street, nearest High-street, Battersea, may be re-named "St. John-street," that the Board are unable to vary their Order of the 1st May, 1885, naming the whole thoroughfare "Granfield-street, S.W."

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W. R. SELWAY,
W^m. SHEPHERD.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That St. George's-road, Tufnell-park, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "St. George's-avenue, N.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Albany-place, Redhill-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Redhill-place, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Augusta-street, Harmood-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Harmood-place, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Cumberland-street, Goodge-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Little Goodge-street, W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Cumberland-street West, Albany-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Cumberland-street, N.W.," and that notice

of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Greenland-grove, Cromer-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Lucas-place, W.C.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Hawley-road West, Chalk-farm-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Hawley-street, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Henry-street, Hampstead-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Seaton-street, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Modbury-terrace, Malden-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Modbury-street, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Pleasant-row, Highgate-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Carrol-place, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Prince of Wales-avenue, Malden-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Wellesley-place, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Princess-terrace, St. Mark’s-square, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Princess-road, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Sion-terrace, Brighton-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “North-terrace, W.C.,” in continuation of the existing terrace of that name, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, Torriano-yard (Ward No. 1), in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Welch’s-yard, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Whitefield-street, Malden-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Shipton-place, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of St. Margaret’s-terrace, Spencer-terrace, Rochester-place, and Cobourg-row, in the respective Parishes of St. Margaret and St. John, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,603, in lieu of

the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan ; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 75, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 76, to those on the Western side ; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end ; that the names St. Margaret's-terrace, Spencer-terrace, and Rochester-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished ; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called " Cobourg-row, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Bessborough-place, in the Parish of St. John, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,604, in lieu of the existing numbers as shown on the said Plan ; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 67, being assigned to the houses on the North-Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 80, to those on the South-Western side ; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Bessborough-street ; that the names Bonaparte-cottages, Gun-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Bessborough-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished ; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called " Bessborough-place, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Blue Anchor-court, Great Peter-street, in the Parish of St. John, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 6, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,605, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan ; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end ; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished ; that the whole be called " Blue Anchor-court, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Carey-place, in the Parish of St. John, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 9, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,606, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan ; that the name Bedford-court, and the existing irregular numbers, be abolished ; that the whole be called " Carey-place, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Ennismore-mews, in the Parish of St. Margaret, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,607, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 31, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 32, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Ennismore-mews, S.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of St. Ann’s-lane, in the Parish of St. John, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,608, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 7, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 14, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “St. Ann’s-lane, S.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Vincent-place, in the Parish of St. John, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 16, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,609, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished; that the whole be called “Vincent-place, S.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the house at the corner of Hide-street, at present numbered 52, Vincent-street, in the Parish of St. John,

Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, be re-numbered 101A, Vincent-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Penge-lane, in the Hamlet of Penge, in the County of Surrey, be re-named “Newlands-park, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That George-yard, Lombard-street, City, be re-named “Lombard-avenue, E.C.”

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Middlemas, and seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, there were for it 21, against it 4, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and, having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of December, 1885, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Harrington-gardens, in the Parish of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures, on the Plan now produced, marked 3,610, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 75, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 50, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Harrington-gardens, S.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Wandsworth District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter requesting that the portion of Granfield-street, nearest High-street, Battersea, may be re-named “St. John-street,” that this Board adhere to their Order of the 1st May last, naming the whole thoroughfare “Granfield-street, S.W.”

7. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 5th January, 1886.

Your Committee beg to submit, herewith a Report which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under a Magistrate's Order at the premises therein mentioned, the same being a Dangerous Structure, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered

by the Magistrate to be done at the following premises, the same being a Dangerous Structure, viz.—

Party fence wall between No. 41, Bond-street, Lambeth, and stable yard adjoining.

Your Committee have further considered the communication from the Vestry of St. Luke, relative to the recent fall of a party-wall of a house in Peerless-street, City-road, and to the dangerous condition of others adjoining, and asking whether it is the opinion of the Board that such old property should be patched up for occupation, referred by the Board on the 4th ultimo (No. 32), and referred back on the 23rd ultimo (No. 7.) Your Committee are informed that proceedings have been taken under the Dangerous Structure Clauses of the Building Act, in respect of fourteen of the houses in the street, and that all danger has been removed. The re-building will be carried out under the supervision of the District Surveyor, and your Committee recommend—

That the Vestry be informed, in reply to their communication, that any re-building or re-instatement of the premises will be done under the supervision of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from Mr. R. J. Withers, relative to the erection of a temporary wooden Church in Gleneldon-road, Streatham, alleged to be constructed without iron framing, referred by the Board on the 27th November last (No. 60). The building referred was sanctioned by the Board in June, 1885, for a period of two years, and has been in use since the 9th September last. Your Superintending Architect reports that it appears to have been erected in accordance with the Drawings approved by the Board, but that the construction of the roof has been irregular, the wooden ties having been omitted, and wooden collars substituted. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Withers be informed in reply to his Letter that, in the opinion of the Board, the mode of construction is adequate, and that the Board deem it inexpedient to take any action in the matter.

Your Committee have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 27th November last (No. 44), referring to them for consideration and report the question of the arrangements to be made for filling the vacancy caused by the decease of Mr. R. Parkinson, late District Surveyor for the Districts of the Western Division of the City of London and the detached portion of Clerkenwell near Muswell-hill. The District of the Western Division of the City includes the Wards of Aldersgate Within and Without, St. Bartholomew the Great and Less, Farringdon Without and Cheap, the Inner Temple, and that part of the Middle Temple within the City, Serjeant's-inn, Fleet-street, Serjeant's-inn, Chancery-lane, Clifford's-inn, Barnard's-inn, Thavies-inn, and those parts of Furnival's-inn and Staple-inn, which are within the City. The average gross Fees received during the last three years in the District amount to £369 per annum. The outlying portion of Clerkenwell, in the neighbourhood of Muswell-hill, is only 64 acres in extent, and is distant upwards of a mile and a quarter from the Northern boundary of the Metropolis. The total Fees received from that District since 1855 have amounted to only £46. The Board, at their meeting on the 27th November last, appointed Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor for the Northern Division of St. Pancras, to act as temporary substitute in respect of the detached portion of Clerkenwell, and your Committee are not at present prepared to recommend any alteration in that arrangement. As regards the District of the Western Division of the City, your Committee have received applications from Mr. J. D. Mathews, Mr. G. Aitchison, and Mr. J. A. J. Woodward, asking to be transferred to the vacant District. Your Committee, however, are of opinion that the usual course should be adopted, and they recommend—

That Advertisements be issued inviting Candidates for the appointment of District Surveyor for the Western Division of the City of London, the election for such appointment to be made by the Board at their meeting on the 22nd instant.

Your Committee have to report that they have had before them a Plan submitted on the 18th November last, by Mr. T. N. Ward, for the erection of one-storey shops upon

the forecourts of Nos. 46 to 72, Upper Richmond-road, Putney. Applications for consent to the erection of shops in the locality were refused by the Board on the 6th March, 17th April, and 2nd October last. The amended Plan submitted shows the proposed shops set back 6 feet from the inside of the pathway at the Western end, and 10 feet at the Eastern end. The ground coloured Blue on the Plan is to be given up to the public, and the Wandsworth District Board do not object to the proposal. Your Committee recommend—

That the Plan accompanying the Letter, from Mr. T. N. Ward, dated 18th November, 1885, be approved, on condition that the erections be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 8th instant, that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the spaces, coloured blue upon the Plan, be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. H. Vulliamy on behalf of Mr. T. H. Willoughby, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an Estate office on the West side of High-road, Streatham, at the corner of the approach road to the Railway Station at Streatham, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 18th ultimo (No. 56). The applicant proposes to erect an Estate office, one storey in height, to a line abutting upon the public way in Streatham-high-road. Your Committee have had before them a key Plan prepared by the applicant showing all the houses in Gleneagle-road, from which it appears that it would be practicable to form a road-way from Streatham Railway Station to Gleneagle-road. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the building referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 8th instant, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Messrs. Lee Brothers and Pain, on behalf of Messrs. Thorne Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the "Seven Stars" Public-house, on the South side of Goldhawk-road, Hammersmith, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 23rd ultimo (No. 38). On the 24th April and 24th July last, the Board declined to sanction Plans for the re-erection of the Public-house. The applicants submit a further amended Plan, showing the flank wall of the new Public-house set back at the Southern end 8 feet from the public way in Paddenswick-road, and giving up to the public way in that road a piece of ground tinted Blue on the Plan, measuring 12 feet 6 inches at the widest part. The Fulham District Board approve of the amended Plan, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the building therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 8th instant; that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the spaces coloured Blue upon the Plan be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for the consent of this Board to the erection of a School and outbuildings, on the East side of William-street, Hammersmith, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 23rd ultimo (No. 40). The Board on the 20th November last refused their consent to the erection of buildings in William-street, because of the objectionable position of one of the proposed outbuildings. The applicant submits an amended Plan showing the proposed School building in the same position as before, but the outbuilding adjoining No. 1, William-street is now placed so as not to project beyond the frontage line of that house.

The Fulham District Board do not object to the present proposal, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 8th instant, and that the erections be made entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. T. G. Langridge, on behalf of Messrs. Kettle and Messenger, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projecting shop front upon a portion of the forecourt of No. 30, Great Portland-street, St. Marylebone, to the line shown on the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 23rd ultimo (No. 42). The applicant submits a Plan showing a shop front which has already been brought out in front of the recently re-erected house, No. 30, Great Portland-street to a line projecting 1 foot 8 inches beyond the frontage line of the adjoining houses in that thoroughfare. The applicant states that the shop front takes the place of one which existed in front of the old building. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. A. W. Church, on behalf of the London General Omnibus Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a mews to lead out of the West side of Bradmore-lane, Hammersmith, referred by the Board on the 23rd ultimo (No. 47). The Board, in February, 1880, declined to approve of the formation of a paved road, 20 feet wide, upon the land, the intention of the applicant at that time being to erect Workmen's dwellings six storeys in height above the road level fronting upon the proposed road. The Omnibus Company now desire to form a road-way similar in shape, but for vehicular traffic, 20 feet in width, and to erect stabling fronting upon it about 15 feet in height. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
W. R. SELWAY,
SAM^L. PRICE,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W^M. SHEPHERD.

The Report having been read and received,

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owners of the party fence wall between No. 41, Bond-street, Lambeth, and a stable-yard adjoining, had failed to comply with the Orders made by George Chance, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Lambeth Police-court, on the 26th day of September last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such wall, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the part of the party fence wall between No. 41, Bond-street, Lambeth, and a stable yard adjoining which is overhanging and dangerous.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the communication from the Vestry of St. Luke, as to the fall of a party-wall of a house in Peerless-street, City-road, and to the dangerous condition of

others adjoining, and asking whether it is the opinion of the Board that such old property should be patched up for occupation be approved; and that the Vestry be informed that any re-building or re-instatement of the premises will be carried out under the supervision of the District Surveyor.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That Mr. R. J. Withers be informed in reply to his Letter relative to the erection of a temporary Church in Gleneldon-road, Streatham, alleged to be constructed without iron framing, that, in the opinion of the Board, the mode of construction is adequate, and that they deem it inexpedient to take any action in the matter.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the arrangement to be made for filling the vacancy caused by the decease of Mr. R. Parkinson, late District Surveyor for the Districts of the Western Division of the City of London and the detached portion of Clerkenwell near Muswell-hill be approved; that Advertisements be issued inviting Candidates for the appointment of District Surveyor for the Western Division of the City of London, and that the election for such appointment be made by the Board at their Meeting on the 22nd instant.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Plan accompanying the Letter from Mr. T. N. Ward, dated 18th November, 1885, for the erection of one-storey shops upon the forecourts of Nos. 46 to 72, Upper Richmond-road, Putney, be approved, on condition that the erections be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date; that previously to the commencement of building operations, the spaces coloured Blue upon the Plan, be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. H. Vulliamy, on behalf of Mr. T. H. Willoughby, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an Estate office on the West side of High-road, Streatham, at the corner of the approach-road to the Railway Station at Streatham, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted upon condition that the erection of the building referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Messrs. Lee Brothers and Pain, on behalf of Messrs. Thorne Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the "Seven Stars" Public-house, on the South side of Goldhawk-road, Hammersmith, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the building therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date; that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the spaces coloured Blue upon the Plan be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for the consent of this Board to the erection of a School and outbuildings, on the East side of William-street, Hammersmith, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. T. G. Langridge, on behalf of Messrs. Kettle and Messenger, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projecting shop front upon a portion of the forecourt of No. 30, Great Portland-street, St. Marylebone, to the line shown on the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. A. W. Church, on behalf of the London General Omnibus Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a mews to lead out of the West side of Bradmore-lane, Hammersmith, be not granted.

8. The Board proceeded upon the following Resolution of the 19th November, 1865, (No. 6)—“That the Board do, in the month of January in each year, consider the “subject of the salaries and classification of the subordinate Officers of the Board, with “a view of ascertaining whether any, and what, alteration should be made in the “position and salary of any of the Officers.”

It was **moved** by Mr. Selway, seconded, and **resolved**—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

9. It was **moved** by Mr. Selway, seconded, and **resolved**—That it be referred to the Finance Committee to prepare a Report of the proceedings of the Board for the year 1885, as required by the 200th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, and the 16th Section of the Loans Act, 1871, and that such Report be submitted to the Board for approval.

It was **moved** by Mr. Selway, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Statement and Account of the amount of Contracts entered into, and of moneys received and expended by the Board during the year 1885, be also prepared.

10. Read a Report, as follows—

Spring-gardens,
8th January, 1886.

I beg to report that it is now necessary, in exercise of the power given to the Board under the Wandsworth Commons Act, 1871, to appoint one of their Members as a representative on the Board of Conservators of Wandsworth-common.

The Board on the 12th January, 1883, appointed Mr. George Pitney Meaden one of the Incorporation of Conservators for carrying the said Act into execution.

I beg to submit herewith a form of appointment, and to ask the Board to pass a Resolution appointing one of the Members of the Board; to seal the appointment, in duplicate, and to notify the same to the Clerk of the Conservators, as required by the Act.

(Signed) J. E. WAKEFIELD,
Clerk of the Board.

The Metropolitan Board of Works considered the Wandsworth Common Act, 1871, and the provision as to the appointment of a Conservator to be named by the Board.

Resolved, unanimously, on the motion of Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That, pursuant to the same Act, this Board doth nominate and appoint George Pitney Meaden, Gentleman, of No. 408, Clapham-road, Clapham, a Member of this Board, one of the Incorporation of Conservators, for carrying the said Act into execution.

The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the foregoing Minute, in duplicate.

It was **moved** by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and **resolved**—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy of Minute, in duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

11. The Engineer presented a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring-gardens,
1st January, 1886

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE SEVERAL SPECIAL CONTRACT WORKS.

Holloway and Northern High Level Sewers Relief Lines.—Mr. W. Rigby, Contractor. —A length of about 10,000 feet of brick Sewers, varying in diameter from 7 feet to 5 feet 6 inches,

has been constructed at an estimated cost, with other works in connection therewith, of £34,100, of which about £3,400 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. T. Panter, J. Fixter, G. Larkin, T. Wighton, J. Driffield, J. Boyden, W. Grimwood, and W. Jennings, at a weekly cost of £25 4s.

Queen's-road, Dalston, &c., Sewer.—Messrs. Nowell and Robson, Contractors.—A length of about 5,340 feet of brick Sewer, varying in size from 5 feet by 4 feet to 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches—egg-shape, is complete. at an estimated cost, with other works in connection therewith, of £11,700, of which about £1,100 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. J. Carter, J. Lake, and J. Pope, at a weekly cost of £9 9s.

Piccadilly to New Oxford-street Improvement.—Excepting at two points where the buildings have not yet been pulled down, this new line of street is now complete.

Ranelagh and King's Scholars' Pond Sewers Relief Line.—Messrs. McCrea and McFarland, Contractors.—With the exception of some concreting at the lower end of the new Ranelagh outlet into the River, and which work can only be executed at the lowest tides, the whole of the works comprised in this Contract are complete. The total length of new Sewers constructed, including the special work for carrying the relief Sewer over the District Railway at Sloane-square, is 16,740 feet, and the approximate value of the works executed is £78,400.

Clapham to Putney Relief Sewers.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The main line of Sewer from the "Bedford Arms" Public-house, Clapham, to Roehampton-lane, Putney, and five out of the six branch Sewers have been completed, with the exception of the shafts, connections, and minor works, and the aqueduct crossing the Wandle valley, which, with the branch Sewer at Putney boundary, are in progress. The approximate value of the work done is about £130,000. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. C. Bedloe, R. Lynn, J. Judd, and J. Ward, at a weekly cost of £12 12s.

Putney (new) Bridge.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The four piers and the two abutments have been constructed up to the formation level of the road-way. The five granite arches have been constructed, and the spandrel ashlar and brickwork have been built up to the formation level of the bridge road-way, and the cornice is being fixed. The construction of the road-way approaches at the Fulham and Putney extremities of the Bridge is well advanced, together with the parapet and retaining walls. The total estimated value of the permanent work executed is about £207,000 (which amount includes the value of materials delivered and accepted), of which about £5,000 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. A. Boag and J. Gooding, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Hammersmith Bridge.—Messrs. Dixon, Appleby and Thorne, Contractors.—The temporary Bridge has been completed and opened for traffic since April last. The whole of the road-way metalling and the planking of the carriage and footways of the old Bridge have been removed, together with about three-fourths of the cross girders. The masonry of the Northern and Southern pier towers has been demolished to the levels of the keystones of the tower arches. The coffer dam for the underpinning of the Surrey pier has been completed. The excavations for the Northern and Southern abutments of the new structure have also been completed, and the concrete is being filled into them. The anchor abutment castings, steel anchor forgings, and abutment saddles have been fixed. The wrought-iron towers, the new cross girders, the steel pins for the new chains, and the new cast-iron cutwater columns have been manufactured. The total estimated value of permanent work executed (which includes ironwork accepted and delivered) is about £34,000, of which about £1,500 are due to the past month's progress. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. T. M. Carey, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

Battersea Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., the Contractors for the execution of the works comprised in the construction of the new temporary Foot-bridge and the removal of the old structure, have completed the temporary Bridge. The old Bridge is undergoing demolition, and the large timber trusses which spanned the navigable openings have been removed. The piling is being drawn. The total value of permanent work executed is about £7,000, of which about £300 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. P. Sharpe, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was **moved** by Mr. Selway, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, and be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th January, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Stores were required for use at the undermentioned Pumping Stations—

<i>Crossness Station.</i>					ESTIMATE.
200 Gallons of Olive Oil	...	...	...	...	£30 0 0
18 cwt. of Russian Tallow	...	...	...	...	33 15 0
<i>Western Station.</i>					
80 Tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	72 6 8
80 Tons of Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	56 6 8
Total	...	...	...	...	<u>192 8 4</u>

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and that the Stores be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th January, 1886, recommending the supply and spreading, under the General Contract, of ashes for the repair of the coping of the River banks at the Barking Outfall, at an estimated cost of £20.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and that the ashes be supplied and spread accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th January, 1886, stating that Mr. W. W. Crane, Constructive Draughtsman, was still absent from his duties in consequence of illness, submitting a Medical Certificate, and recommending that a further leave of absence for a fortnight should be allowed him.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that a fortnight's further leave of absence be allowed to Mr. Crane.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th January, 1886, submitting a Letter from the Vestry of Clerkenwell, applying for permission to cast Snow (taken from their roads) into the River from the Victoria Embankment, recommending that the application should be granted upon the same conditions as those upon which the Board had already granted like permission to certain other local authorities—viz., that the Vestry do properly protect the parapet wall and foot-way of the Embankment from injury, that they do make good any damage that may be done, and further, that they do obtain the sanction of the Thames Conservators to the casting of the Snow into the River; and suggesting that, in the event of any further similar applications being made during the winter, the Board should authorise him to sanction them, upon the same conditions, and that he should report to the Board at their first Meeting thereafter; further stating that he had received a Letter from the Station Master at the Charing-cross Railway Terminus, asking for permission to shoot the Snow from the Station-yard into the River, and recommending that the application should be complied with, subject to the foregoing conditions.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved; that the said applications be granted on the conditions recommended in the Report, and that the Engineer be authorised to sanction any similar applications which may be made, and that he do report the same to the Board.

16. The Solicitor reported that the undermentioned documents, relating to the Board's Various Powers Bill, 1886, had been duly deposited as required by the Standing Orders of Parliament—

Estimate of expense.

Declaration and Estimate of revenue.

List of Owners, Lessees, and Occupiers, showing those who have assented, dissented, or are neutral in respect of the Bill.

17. The Solicitor presented a list of the Provisional Orders which he had obtained since the last Meeting of the Board, and reported that he had forwarded the copies of the Orders to the Engineer of the Board for his use in preparing his Annual Report on Parliamentary Schemes for next Session—

Chelsea Electric Lighting.
West London Electric Lighting.
London, Highgate, and Finchley Tramways.
South Metropolitan Tramways.

18. The Solicitor presented an Official list of the Private Bills which had been deposited for next Session.

19. The Solicitor reported that the arrangements as to the undermentioned Loans had been completed, and that the Cheques had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities—

					AMOUNT OF LOAN.		
Greenwich District Board ...	...	...	...	...	£2,000	0	0
Bermondsey Vestry ...	...	...	...	...	5,000	0	0
Paddington Guardians ...	...	...	...	...	2,900	0	0
Kensington Vestry ...	...	...	...	...	8,800	0	0
Holborn Union Guardians ...	...	...	...	...	19,000	0	0
Do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	13,000	0	0
Bethnal-green Guardians ...	...	...	...	...	11,500	0	0
Kensington Baths, &c., Commissioners of ...	...	...	...	...	3,000	0	0

20. The Solicitor reported that the arrangement with respect to the Loan of £20,000 to the Vestry of Hampstead, for the Hampstead Improvements, had been completed; that the Cheque had been handed over in exchange for the proper security, and that the Vestry had thereupon paid to the Board the contribution of that amount to the cost of the said Improvements.

21. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Agreement with Mr. G. Pelli for letting the Refreshment-room and Pavilion in Southwark-park for three years from 25th December, 1885.

Conveyance by Mr. E. Stock, and others, of a Leasehold interest in No. 291, Great College-street, Kentish-town, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Kentish-town-road extension Improvement.)

Assignment by R. A. Newbon, and others, (Trustees of the Will of Mr. W. Bottomley, deceased) of Nos. 60 and 62, Brook-street, Limehouse, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Brook-street Scheme.)

Appointment of Mr. Vulliamy as Valuer in the matter of a claim by Messrs. Murray and Hope (Marquis Camden's Trustees) in respect of Nos. 70 and 72, Kentish-town-road, No. 291 and 293, Great College-street, and a timber yard at the rear, and parts of the forecourts of Nos. 64, 66 and 68, Kentish-town-road (Kentish-town-road extension Improvement).

Conveyance to Mr. A. J. Hollington of land for commercial purposes, in Middlesex-street and Boar's-head-yard, Whitechapel (Goulston-street Scheme).

Deed-poll for vesting in the Board the Leasehold interest in premises, No. 17, Denmark-street, and No. 13, Denmark-place, St. Giles, claimed by Mr. T. Green, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement).

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

22. The Solicitor reported that the Contract with Messrs. J. Mowlem and Co. for the

execution of works to the Albert Suspension Bridge (ordered by the Board on the 23rd ultimo to be sealed when ready) had been sealed at the meeting of the Works and General Purposes Committee on the 4th instant.

23. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department,
January 8th, 1886.

HUMPHREYS' HALL.

I have to report that Summonses were heard at the Westminster Police-court yesterday, charging the defendant, Mr. Humphreys, with keeping open the Humphreys' hall, Knight-bridge, on December, 3rd, 14th and 23rd, 1885, and without the Certificate of the Board, pursuant to the 12th section of the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878.

I attended personally with my assistant, Mr. Burton, to instruct Mr. Besley, as Counsel on behalf of the Board, and Mr. Grain appeared as Counsel for the Defendant. It was admitted that, except as to the portion of the building formerly the Sun Music-hall, which was licensed before 1878, the Defendant had acted unlawfully in opening the Hall without the Certificate of the Board, but the Defendant, who, as the Board is aware, has on former occasions resisted the law treated the matter rather lightly and said that most of the Board's requirements had been complied with and that several of the other works had been commenced subsequently to the Summons and would be completed without delay, and the Defendant's Counsel suggested that the Magistrate should adjourn the Summons to view the premises, and if he found the works in progress should inflict a nominal fine only. Mr. Besley, on the other hand, urged that the maximum penalty of £50 a day should be imposed, and in support of this view Mr. Hebb and Henry Currey were called as witnesses, and they pointed out that the building was at the present time highly dangerous, and that such danger was increased by the non-compliance with the requirements of the Board.

The Magistrate, Mr. Partridge, heard the case with great patience, and at the conclusion stated that he could not for a moment listen to the suggestion of the Defendant's Counsel; he added that the Defendant had wilfully violated the law, and that this was not the first time he had attempted to escape from the securities provided by Parliament to meet cases of this character; he, therefore, had no hesitation in inflicting the maximum penalty for keeping the place open on December 3rd and 14th, and he further imposed a fine of £25 for the third day December 23rd, and ordered the Defendant to pay £25 for the Board's costs of the Summons.

I propose to write at once to Mr. Humphreys to enquire whether he intends forthwith to close the Hall, and to add that if this is done the Board would be willing to entertain any application he may make with respect to the works to be executed before a Certificate is issued.

(Signed) REGINALD WARD,
Solicitor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received, and that the Solicitor do communicate with Mr. Humphreys in accordance therewith.

24. The Clerk presented a copy Report of the Water Examiner, appointed by the Board of Trade, of the examination made by him of the Water supplied by the several Metropolitan Water Companies during the month of November last.

25. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Hopwood, Secretary of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, dated 24th December, 1885, thanking the Board for the arrangement they had made by which, in case of emergency, the Company's Engineer could immediately communicate with some one in charge of the flaps of the Ranelagh and King's Scholars' Pond Sewers Relief Sewer at Sloane-square.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

26. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Jones, Clerk to the Fulham District Board, dated 2nd January, 1886, stating that, from and after the 25th March next, the District Board would be dissolved, and that the Vestries of Fulham and Hammersmith would be incorporated, and have all such powers, and be subject to such provisions as if they had been named in Part II. of Schedule "A" of the Metropolis Local Management Act.

District Board, dated 1st January, 1886, thanking this Board for increasing the amount of their promised contribution towards the cost of widening Battersea-park-road and Candahar-road, Battersea, and asking for payment of the amount.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

31. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, M.P., Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 30th December, 1885, transmitting a copy of a Report from the Parliamentary, &c., Committee of the Vestry, approved by the Vestry, urging the Board to re-consider the question of the removal of the Gates by St. Pancras Church, and in Gower-street, Torrington-place and Sidmouth-street, and expressing the opinion that each of them was of more than local, and that they were all of Metropolitan importance, and should be removed without further delay, and at the cost of the ratepayers of the Metropolis generally.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That the Vestry be informed that the Board adhere to their previous decision on the subject.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Furniss, and seconded by Mr. J. Jones—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 16, against it 15, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an *original motion*, it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

32. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. L. Pemberton, Home Office, dated 28th December, 1885, requesting to be supplied with a Return, to be laid before Parliament, of all buildings erected in the Metropolis (exclusive of the City) in pursuance of the Artizans and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Acts.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to furnish the Return applied for.

33. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, M.P., Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 29th December, 1885, expressing the regret of the Vestry at the decision of the Board with regard to the proposed extension of Hampstead-heath and the preservation of Parliament-fields, and asking them to re-consider the question.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

34. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, M.P., Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 30th December, 1885, asking the Board to re-consider the question of granting a contribution towards the cost of the Improvement in Kentish-town-road, carried out by the Vestry.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

35. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. R. Taylor, dated 2nd January, 1886, explaining his Plan for the removal of sewage sludge from Crossness and Barking by means of an air and water-tight canvas bag, and offering to make the bags described by him.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

36. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. H. Samson, dated 31st December, 1885, relative to his patent improved system of treating sewage sludge, &c., and stating that he was willing to grant Licenses to the Board to carry out the system or any part thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

37. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. Crowne, Clerk to the Tottenham Local Board of Health, dated 31st December, 1885, asking to be informed of this Board's views relative to the Lee River Purification Bill, and what course they intended to adopt respecting it.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Goldring and Mitchell, dated 1st January, 1886, transmitting on behalf of their clients, the Whitehall Court, Limited, a copy of the Horse Guards' Avenue Bill, and of the deposited Plans and Book of Reference, and stating that their clients would be glad to consider any suggestions the Board might have to make with reference to the Bill, and to arrange an appointment between the Board's Architect and Mr. Driver to discuss the matter generally.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. G. Hills, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 28th December, 1885, stating, with reference to the proposed embankment of the towing-path at Putney, that the District Board could not adopt the suggestion of this Board's Engineer that a low parapet should be erected along the River front, returning along the sides of the slips left for the accommodation of the boathouses, movable tide boards being provided to put across the slips; expressing a hope that this Board would sanction the embankment as proposed by the District Board, and would regard it as a compliance with any Notice which might be served under the provisions of the Thames Floods Prevention Act; asking permission to alter the boundary wall between Windsor-street and the towpath by Putney Bridge, and stating that the District Board hoped to carry out an Improvement, by arrangement with the owners of property near the "Duke's Head" Public-house, in Windsor street, as shown on the Plan accompanying the Letter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Bridges Committee, for consideration and report.

40. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. B. Walker, dated 4th January, 1886, offering to submit conditionally the details of his scheme for converting settled sludge into dry cake or mould at the Main Drainage Outfall works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Lidiard, dated 4th January, 1886, stating that the District Surveyor had issued a Summons against the builder for the removal of a temporary building erected in Oldridge-road, Clapham, for an Athletic Club, and asking permission to attend the Building Act Committee and explain the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report; that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon; that Mr. Lidiard be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered; and that the Committee be authorised to invite the other parties interested, if necessary.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Guardians of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead.

Workhouse, Hampstead, N.W.,

4th January, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am desired by the Guardians of the Poor to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works, to advance a Loan of £1,500 upon the security of the Poor Rates of this Parish, the

re-payment of the principal to be spread over as long a period, not exceeding 30 years as the Board can accede to, the principal to be re-paid by equal annual instalments, and the interest quarterly as in the case of prior Loans advanced to the Guardians by the Board.

The sanction of the Local Government Board to the proposed Loan is contained in the following Orders of which copies are herewith enclosed, viz.—

- 1.—An Order dated 28th April, 1882, empowering the Guardians to purchase certain land and premises therein described for a sum not exceeding £600.
- 2.—An Order dated 24th December, 1885, authorising the expenditure by the Guardians of the further sum of £900 in the erection of an additional building and the making of certain alterations at the Workhouse, and in fitting up the said building in pursuance of Orders, dated 13th July, 1883, and 13th February, 1885.

I may state that the amounts authorised to be raised by the said Orders of 13th July, 1883, and 13th February, 1885, have been advanced by the Metropolitan Board of Works by the following separate Loans, viz., £3,000, £7,000, £2,000, and £3,000, and copies of such Orders are in possession of the Board.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the
Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Central London School District.

Offices, 10, Basinghall-street, City, E.C.

5th January, 1886.

SIR,—I am directed by the Managers to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 22nd ultimo, ⁴³³⁰_{B. 18. 12} stating that your Board would be willing to advance £7,700 required by them, at the rate of interest of £3 10s. per cent. per annum, and to inform you that they accept the terms therein mentioned.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) GEO. E. EAST,
Clerk.

To the Clerk of the
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Tamplin, Taylor and Joseph, dated 5th January, 1886, enclosing a Memorial signed by owners, lessees and occupiers of houses on the road from Clapham to Merton, praying the Board not to give their consent to the formation of a Tramway along that road as proposed in the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme, for which application had been made to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order; and asking this Board to receive a Deputation in support of the Memorial.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter and Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which they relate, and that Messrs. Tamplin and Co. be informed that the facts appear to be so fully stated in the Memorial, that it is probably unnecessary for the proposed Deputation to attend the Board.

45. The Clerk presented a Report by the Chief Gas Examiner, appointed by the Board of

Trade, of the results of the daily testings of the Gas supplied by the several Metropolitan Gas Companies, during the months of October, November, and December last.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be printed, and that it be circulated among the Members of the Board.

46. The Chemist laid before the Board his Returns of the Testings made at the Gas-testing Stations during the weeks ended on the 29th ultimo, and the 5th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Netting-hill	16.2	16.7	16.8	9.6	9.2	9.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	None
	Camden	17.2	16.3	16.8	10.2	8.3	9.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston	16.5	16.1	16.4	15.5	12.9	14.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow	17.1	16.1	16.7	11.8	9.2	10.4	1.4	0.0	0.7	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	16.3	16.2	16.3	12.9	11.8	12.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	"
	„ (Nine-elms)	16.7	16.4	16.6	13.2	13.0	13.1	0.4	0.4	0.4	"
	Kingsland-road	16.8	16.4	16.6	19.1	10.9	14.7	0.1	0.0	0.1	"
	Charing-cross	16.6	16.0	16.3	13.5	9.0	11.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	"
	St. John's-wood	17.3	16.0	16.8	12.6	11.4	12.0	0.8	0.2	0.4	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	20.9	20.1	20.5	11.9	4.9	9.4	0.8	0.4	0.5	"
	Peckham	17.0	16.8	16.9	14.4	12.7	13.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Tooley-street	16.8	16.7	16.7	11.9	8.4	10.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Clapham	16.6	16.4	16.5	15.6	13.3	14.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Lewisham	16.5	16.3	16.4	9.5	7.0	8.4	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford	17.4	16.8	17.1	7.3	6.5	7.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	St. George-in-the- East	16.5	16.2	16.3	15.7	7.3	9.8	0.3	0.0	0.1	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Whitehall on 23rd December, at 6.15 p.m., was 2.7 inches.

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.1	16.8	17.0	11.5	8.6	10.1	0.4	0.2	0.4	None.
	Camden	17.3	16.7	16.9	11.9	8.8	10.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston	16.7	16.3	16.5	16.5	13.4	14.9	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow	17.4	16.3	16.8	13.5	11.3	12.7	0.5	0.2	0.4	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	17.1	16.4	16.7	17.6	12.0	14.5	0.3	0.2	0.3	"
	„ (Nine-elms)	17.0	16.2	16.6	13.6	11.5	12.6	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	Kingsland-road	16.8	16.5	16.7	16.4	10.8	13.9	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross	17.2	16.0	16.6	16.5	8.9	12.2	0.6	0.2	0.3	"
	St. John's Wood	17.3	16.2	16.8	14.5	11.3	12.7	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	21.2	20.7	21.0	20.8	11.5	14.7	0.8	0.3	0.4	"
	Peckham	16.7	16.1	16.4	14.4	10.7	12.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Tooley-street	16.6	16.5	16.6	18.2	9.0	12.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Clapham	16.7	16.3	16.5	15.1	12.1	13.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Lewisham	16.9	16.4	16.6	10.4	8.5	9.6	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Old Ford	17.4	16.8	17.1	8.8	5.9	7.7	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	St. George-in-the- East	17.2	16.0	16.5	16.7	10.7	14.3	0.2	0.0	0.1	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Holland-road, Notting-hill, on December 31st, 1885, at 8.20 p.m., was 1.9 inch.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Commercial Gas Company, as tested in St. Leonard-street, Bow, on January 1st, 1886, at 9.0 p.m., was 2.8 inches.

47. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. J. and F. Drake, on behalf of Mr. J. A. Rolls, M.P.,

for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses in Coburg-road, Old Kent-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 48. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. R. Stenning, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a two-storey bay-window in front of a house adjoining No. 4, Clifton-terrace, Jardin-street, without the consent of this Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 49. CHELSEA.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Shaw, on behalf of Mr. H. S. Vandeleur, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an enclosed portico upon a portion of the forecourt of No. 46, Cadogan-square, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 50. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Owen, on behalf of Messrs. Parry and Jones, for the permission of the Board to retain a projecting porch and barge-boards recently erected at the Welsh Chapel in Southerton-road, Hammersmith, as shown on the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That the application be granted, on the usual conditions.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Lindsay, and seconded by Mr. Edwards—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

- 51. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. M. Elgood, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wooden portico in front of No. 4, Fitzjohn's-avenue.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be not granted.

- 52. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st December, 1885, on the application of Mr. J. E. Sears, on behalf of Mr. H. J. Kimbell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop upon a portion of the forecourt of No. 381, Hornsey-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 53. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th December, 1885, on the application of Mr. E. Niblett, on behalf of Mr. S. Griffin, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two additional storeys over the shop at No. 162, Holloway-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the additions therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 54. LEWISHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. W. Cooper, on behalf of Mr. F. Cooper, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of brick and wood porches to four houses in Trewsbury-road, Sydenham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 55. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th December, 1885, on the application of Mr. T. W. Adams, on behalf of Mr. C. R. Camp, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron building at the rear of No. 28, Marlborough-road, Old Kent-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 56. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. H. Grist, on behalf of the Minister and Deacons of the Rectory-road Congregational Church, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church erected at the corner of Rectory-road and Evering-road, Stoke Newington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 57. LIMEHOUSE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of the Rev. F. C. Beckley, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-room at the rear of St. Patrick's Church in Greenbank, Wapping.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 58. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. A. Dash, on behalf of Mr. C. E. Norris, for the permission of the Board to retain a wooden loft addition recently erected to the stables adjoining Holmesdale House, at Eltham-green, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 59. POPLAR.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Hemming and Co., for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected upon land adjoining the North London Railway, in Morville-street, Bow.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 60. POPLAR.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. N. Douglas, on behalf of the Corporation of the Trinity-house, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an iron building at Buoy Wharf, Blackwall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 61. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th January, 1886, on a Notice from Mr. A. C. Bean, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Thornton, of his intention to form new roads, and to widen other roads, out of Dawes-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying such Notice.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That the application be referred to the

Building Act Committee, for consideration and report; and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Shepherd, and seconded—That Mr. Bean be informed that the Notice is of no effect, and that his attention be called to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Acts bearing upon the subject.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and having been put as an original motion, it was also carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

62. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Keast, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open shed upon land adjoining No. 125, Highgate-road.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

63. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd December, 1885, on the application of Mr. J. W. Brooker, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Moore, Jun., for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed New Music-hall to be erected at the rear of the “Royal Standard” Public-house, in York-road, Battersea, as shown upon the Drawings accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

64. ST. MARYLEBONE (NORTH).—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Ashbridge, District Surveyor, for the adpointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in certifying that a chimney-breast in the party-wall of No. 322, Edgware-road, might be cut away.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Ten shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

65. POPLAR.—Read a communication from Mr. John Clarkson, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Poplar, dated 1st January, 1886, notifying that the re-building of the flank wall of the house No. 73, Upper North-street, was about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved, and ordered, as follows—~~Whereas~~ Mr. John Clarkson, District Surveyor for the District of Poplar, did on the 1st day of January, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said John Clarkson, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the re-building of the flank wall of the house No. 73, Upper North-street, and the said John Clarkson has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Chester Foulsham, District Surveyor for the District of St. Leonard, Bromley, be appointed by this Board, and the said Chester Foulsham is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

66. POPLAR.—Read a communication from Mr. John Clarkson, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Poplar, dated 1st January, 1886, notifying that certain workshops and a chimney-shaft for Messrs. Stephens, Smith and Co., at Cuba-street, Millwall, were about to be erected under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded and resolved, and ordered, as follows—~~Whereas~~ Mr. John Clarkson, District Surveyor for

the District of Poplar, did on the 1st day of January, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said John Clarkson, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the erection of workshops and a chimney-shaft for Messrs. Stevens, Smith and Co., at Cuba-street, Millwall, and the said John Clarkson has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is ~~ordered~~ by this Board—That Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, District Surveyor for the District of St. Anne, Limehouse, St. John, Wapping, the Precinct of St. Katherine, and the Hamlet of Ratcliff, be appointed by this Board, and the said Edmund Woodthorpe, is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

- 67. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th January, 1886, on a Memorial from certain Freeholders and Owners of land in Upper Paget-road, relative to the erection of a Chapel and School buildings on the North side of Herbert-road, at the corner of Upper Paget-road, alleged to be in advance of the general line of buildings in the last mentioned road.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Lieut.-Colonel Hughes, M.P., and ~~resolved~~—That the said Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

- 68. ST. PANCRAS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor, relative to the formation, by Mr. S. Hensby, of a Mews leading out of the North-East side of Colva-street, Highgate-new-town, without the approval of the Board.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 69. ST. PANCRAS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction of an open play-shed at the Board School in York-road, Camden-town.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the works be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 70. STRAND.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron building at the rear of the School Board Offices on the Victoria Embankment.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be granted, for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 71. WHITECHAPEL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. Fairman, on behalf of Messrs. Truman, Hanbury, Buxton and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the Company's Brewery in Black Eagle-street, Spitalfields.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

72. Mr. Shepherd stated that at a serious fire which had occurred at Vauxhall early yesterday morning, much delay had arisen in communicating with the Fire Engine Stations, and he moved—That it be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee to report to the Board how far the Fire-alarm communications have been interrupted by the breaking down of the overhead wires during the snow storm.

The motion having been seconded, it was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

73. It was moved by Mr. Middlemass, seconded by Mr. Lindsay, and resolved—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to enquire as to the facts relating to the recent accidents to overhead Telegraph and Telephone wires, and the danger to the public therefrom, and as to the necessity for any proceedings or future legislation on the subject, and to report to the Board thereon, and that the Committee do endeavour to obtain from the Surveyors to the several Vestries and District Boards information as to the damage which has resulted from the breakage of the wires within their Districts.

74. The following Notices were given for the next Meeting of the Board, viz.—

By Mr. Hill (No. 1,480).—To introduce a Deputation of Firewood workers with reference to the provisions in the Board's Various Powers Bill affecting the stacking of Firewood in the Metropolis.

By Mr. Andrews (No. 1,481).—To introduce a Deputation of Firewood dealers with reference to the provisions in the Board's Various Powers Bill, affecting the stacking of Firewood in the Metropolis.

By Mr. Selway (No. 1,482).—To introduce a Deputation of ratepayers in opposition to the South-Eastern Railway Company's Bill for extending the time for completing the Railway through Southwark, Newington, &c.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 15th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 2.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **15th** day of **January**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD, Esq.	LIEUT.-COL. EDWIN HUGHES, M.P.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.
ROBERT JONES, Esq.	CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-HALL, Esq.
JOHN LENANTON, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, Esq.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIRCLOUGH, Esq.
GEORGE HILL, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.
THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WILIAMS, Esq.	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	HON. ALANDE TATTON, EGER-TON, M.P.
ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	ALFRED POCKOCK, Esq.	
WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., Eng.	
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	
	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 8th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.
2. A Deputation of retail dealers in Firewood, introduced by Mr. Hill, and consisting of the following persons, viz.—Mr. R. Fairbairn, Mr. G. Williams, Mr. W. Denny, Mr. W. Salter, Mr. H. Jones, and Mr. J. Chittenden, accompanied by Mr. W. J. Evelyn, M.P., attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

In the matter of an intended Bill in Parliament, Session 1886, for the safe keeping of Firewood within the limits of the Metropolis.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Humble Memorial of the Association of dealers or retailers of Firewood,

SHEWETH,

1—Your Memorialists are an Association formed for the protection of the interests of persons engaged in the Metropolis in the business or occupation of dealers in Firewood, whether wholesale or retail.

2.—It has come to the knowledge of your Memorialists that it is the intention of your Honourable body to present a Bill in Parliament in the ensuing Session, dealing with the keeping and storage of Firewood in the Metropolis.

3.—Your Memorialists are humbly of opinion that the provisions of the said intended Bill are unnecessary, and will prove most injurious to the interests of persons carrying on the business or occupation in which your Memorialists are engaged, and indeed to every other department of the Firewood trade.

4.—The said provisions will, in the opinion of your Memorialists, prove injurious to their trade, because—

(a) The Firewood trade is a large one, and gives employment to thousands of hands—men, women, and children. It is estimated that more than £250,000 is earned annually in London in the manipulation of Firewood. These persons largely consist of women, children, people of infirm health, persons of weak intellect, and others who are incapable of earning a living otherwise, and would not be able to change their place of abode, and must find the material for their business near at hand. It is therefore imperative that the trade should be carried on within the Metropolis, and near the store-yards, as the business is chiefly confined to the Metropolis. The persons engaged in the trade can only buy wood in very small quantities. Firewood merchants at the present time are established in various parts of the Metropolis; in nearly every instance their premises are along the rivers and canals, consequently well situated in case of fire, and their premises mostly held for long terms of years, and large sums have been spent by them in making their premises suitable for the purposes of their business. If by reason of the provisions of the said intended Bill, with reference to the situation of premises for the storage of Firewood, and the nature of the goods with which such Firewood is to be placed, such merchants, or any of them, are prevented from carrying on the said business upon their present premises, great loss, if not absolute ruin, will be the result, and many persons and families will be deprived of a substantial part of their livelihood.

(b) For some six or seven months during the year it is impossible to bring the timber used in the manufacture of Firewood to England, owing to the frozen state of the Baltic. It is therefore absolutely necessary for yard-keepers engaged in the business of storing Firewood to lay in during the open time of the year as large stocks of Firewood as possible, in order to meet the demand for Firewood during the time that fresh supplies cannot be shipped, or supplies must fail. During the open time, several cargoes frequently arrive for one merchant within a day or two of one another, and it being impossible to regulate the arrivals, the resources of merchants are frequently tried to the utmost to find room for their stock. If such cargoes are not speedily discharged, heavy penalties are incurred by the consignees. Immense quantities of wood are dealt with yearly in the trade, the average import being about 60,000 fathoms per annum, or about 300 to 350 complete cargoes, containing about 13,000,000 cubic feet. If by reason of the provision of the said intended Bill with regard to the accumulation and storage of Firewood, and the cubic space to be occupied thereby, and the limitations imposed thereon, the merchants and yard-keepers are prevented from accumulating and storing Firewood as they have done heretofore, their business will be so restricted as to render it practically impossible to use their present premises for the storage of Firewood, which means absolute ruin to most of the merchants, and the loss of occupation to thousands of small dealers and their families. The consequence of this will be that the persons who make the Firewood will not be able to continue their business, and a different class of workmen will have to be employed; the merchants will be obliged to raise the price of Firewood, and this will give an opportunity to the foreign makers to intervene—an opportunity they have long been seeking for. Foreign makers have even made some attempts to get a footing in the Firewood market, but their attempts have hitherto been unsuccessful, because, owing to the present conditions of the trade, the English makers have been able to hold their own against them.

5.—The said provisions are unnecessary because—

(a.) An accident through unsafe stacking is of most rare occurrence. It is not within the recollection of your Memorialists that more than one accident has occurred from this cause, but your Memorialists can explain special reasons for this one accident, which was, moreover, not an accident at all peculiar to the Firewood trade.

(b.) Fires are of rare occurrence in the Firewood trade. There are about 60 yards engaged for the Firewood business in the Metropolis, and 6 fires only have occurred in

Firewood yards during the last 50 years, and in one instance only did the fire extend to any surrounding property. The value of property destroyed by fires in Firewood yards has been infinitesimal, as compared with most other trades, not more than £15,000 to £20,000 worth of property was destroyed in the whole 6 fires mentioned, and no loss of life, or even serious injury to any person, and your Memorialists are humbly of opinion that these results will not bear any comparison with the enormous destruction of property and loss of life through fires in any other trade that can be mentioned.

6.—If, therefore, the said intended Bill has the result which your Memorialists fear it will, the business of your Memorialists will be most seriously affected, and they therefore humbly beg that your Honourable body may re-consider the advisability of proceeding with it, and may come to the opinion that it will be better to abandon it.

(Signed) RICHARD FAIRBAIRN.

34, Credon-road, S.E.

And 3 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Ewin, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

A Deputation from workmen employed in the Firewood yards of the Metropolis, introduced by Mr. Hill, and consisting of the following persons, viz.—Mr. G. English, Mr. W. Taylor, Mr. J. Bryan, Mr. R. G. Wickham, Mr. W. Hearn, and Mr. W. Jones, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

In the matter of an intended Bill in Parliament, Session 1886, for the safe keeping of Firewood within the limits of the Metropolis.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Humble Memorial of the Firewood Cutters' Amalgamated Protection Society.

SHEWETH,

1.—Your Memorialists are an Association formed for the protection of the interests of persons engaged as cutters of Firewood.

2.—It has come to the knowledge of your Memorialists that it is the intention of your Honourable body to present a Bill in Parliament in the ensuing Session, dealing with the keeping and storage of Firewood.

3.—Your Memorialists are unaware of any necessity for the introduction of such Bill. So far as they have seen, the arrangements for the storage and keeping of Firewood are well adapted to the purpose, and are not attended with any special risk or danger.

4.—Your Memorialists are for the most part not in a position to move their homes. They are, with hard work, at present able to earn their livelihood in consequence of the admirable arrangements, the convenient position, and the well-ascertained communications between themselves and the wood-yards and the dealers. They are firmly convinced that any interference with or change in the arrangements of the wood-yards will cause many of them to be closed and some removed, and in any case this will seriously injure, if not completely ruin, the occupation of your Memorialists.

Your Memorialists, therefore, humbly pray that your Honourable Board will re-consider this question, and will decide not to proceed further with a measure which, they are convinced will inflict irreparable injury on them.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

(Signed)

GEO. ENGLISH,

5, Palmerston-street, Battersea,
And 223 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the foregoing reference.

A Deputation of Firewood dealers, introduced by Mr. Andrews, and consisting of the following persons, viz.—Mr. F. F. Bayley, Mr. G. W. Davies, Mr. J. F. Newland,

Mr. J. J. Shepherd, Mr. G. E. Highland, Mr. A. Bridgman, Mr. J. Davies, Mr. R. H. Dahl, Mr. W. Hope, Mr. T. Treadwell, Mr. W. Groom, Mr. F. Bicknell, Mr. W. H. Sydall, M. C. Daffy and Son, and Hill and Rewods, accompanied by Mr. A. A. Bauman, M.P., attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, as follows—

In the matter of an intended Bill in Parliament, Session, 1886, for the safe keeping of Firewood within the limits of the Metropolis.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Humble Memorial of the Association of Firewood Merchants of the Metropolis,

SH EWETH,

1.—Your Memorialists are an Association formed for the encouragement and protection of persons engaged in the Metropolis and elsewhere in the manufacture and sale of Firewood.

2.—It has come to the knowledge of your Memorialists that it is the intention of your Honourable body to present a Bill in Parliament in the ensuing Session, dealing with the keeping and storage of Firewood in the Metropolis.

3.—Your Memorialists are humbly of opinion that the provisions of the said intended Bill are unnecessary, and will, if passed, undoubtedly, prove most disastrous to the interests of the interest of the trade or business, and of the persons engaged therein, more especially of the yard-keepers, for the following amongst other reasons.

4.—The said provisions will prove disastrous to the trade, because—

(a) The Firewood trade is a large one, and gives employment to thousands of hands, consisting of men, women and children. It is estimated that £250,000 is earned annually in London in the manipulation of Firewood, principally by the very poorest class and those physically incapable of doing more arduous work. And it is imperative that the trade should be carried on within the Metropolis, as the business is chiefly confined to it, and also that a very large proportion of the Firewood cutting is done by persons and families at their own homes, and to whom store yards in the Metropolis are an absolute necessity, as they have not the means to buy in other than very small quantities. Firewood merchants at the present time are established in various parts of the Metropolis; in nearly every instance their premises are along the river or canals, consequently well situated in case of fire, and their premises are mostly held for long terms of years, and large sums of money have been spent by them in making their premises suitable for the purposes of their business. If, by reason of the provisions of the said intended Bill with regard to the situation of premises for the storage of Firewood and the nature of the goods with which such Firewood is to be placed, such merchants, or any of them, are prevented from carrying on the said business upon their present premises, great loss, if not absolute ruin, will be the result, not to speak of the many persons and families who would be deprived of employment.

(b) For some six or seven months during the year it is impossible to bring the timber used in the manufacture of Firewood in England, owing to the frozen state of the Baltic. It is, therefore, absolutely necessary for yard keepers engaged in the business of storing Firewood to lay in during the open time of the year as large stocks of Firewood as possible, in order to meet the demand for Firewood during the time that fresh supplies cannot be shipped, or supplies must fail. During the open time several cargoes frequently arrive for one merchant within a day or two of one another, and, it being impossible to regulate the arrivals, the resources of merchants are frequently tried to the utmost to find room for their stock. If such cargoes are not speedily discharged, heavy penalties are incurred by the consignees. Immense quantities of wood are dealt with yearly in the trade, the average import being about 60,000 fathoms per annum, or about 300 to 350 complete cargoes, containing about 13,000,000 cubic feet. If by reason of the provisions of the said intended Bill with regard to the accumulation and storage of Firewood, and the cubic space to be occupied thereby, and the limitations imposed thereon, the merchants and yard-keepers are prevented from accumulating and storing Firewood as they have done heretofore, their business will be so restricted as to render it practically impossible to use their present premises for storage of Firewood, which means absolute ruin to most of the merchants, and the loss of occupation to thousands of small dealers.

5.—The said provisions are unnecessary because—

(a) An accident through unsafe stacking is of most rare occurrence. It is not within the recollection of your Memorialists that more than one accident has occurred

from this cause, but your Memorialists can explain special reasons for this one accident, which was, moreover, not an accident at all peculiar to the Firewood trade.

- (b) Fires are of rare occurrence in the Firewood trade. There are about 60 yards engaged for the Firewood business in the Metropolis, and 6 fires only have occurred in Firewood yards during the last 50 years, and in one instance only did the fire extend to any surrounding property. The value of property destroyed by fires in Firewood yards has been infinitesimal as compared with most other trades, not more than £15,000 to £20,000 worth of property was destroyed in the whole six fires mentioned, and no loss of life, or even serious injury to any person, and your Memorialists are humbly of opinion that these results will not bear any comparison with the enormous destruction of property and loss of life through fires in any other trade that can be mentioned.

Under these circumstances, your Memorialists humbly beg that your Honourable Board will re-consider the provisions of the safe keeping of Firewood Bill, trusting that will result in its abandonment by the Board.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works, London.

(Signed) D. SNELL,

And 70 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Andrews, seconded by Mr. Ewin, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the foregoing references.

It was *moved* by Mr. Williams, and seconded by Mr. Andrews—That the representatives of the Memorialists be invited to attend the Committee, if necessary, when the Memorials are considered.

The *motion* having been put to the vote, there were for it 23, against it 1, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

3. A Deputation of ratepayers in Southwark, Newington, &c., introduced by Mr. Selway, and consisting of the following persons, viz.—Mr. R. D. Hilton, Mr. W. W. Flood, Mr. D. Davis, Mr. W. Rideal, Dr. T. H. Waterworth, Mr. M. J. Thomas, Mr. C. Hart, Mr. J. Rideal, Mr. R. A. Gibson, and Mr. H. Wagner, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of Freeholders, Leaseholders, Occupiers, and Ratepayers on the route of the proposed extension of the South-Eastern Railway in the Parishes of St. Saviour's, St. George-the-Martyr, St. Mary, Newington, and St. Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey, and indorsed at a large public meeting held in the Hall of the Bricklayers' Institute, Southwark-bridge-road, S.E., on January 6th, 1886.

HUMBLY SHEWETH,

That on the 30th of November, 1881, the Company deposited Plans and Reference-book of new lines at the Sessions House, Newington-causeway, and at the respective Vestries.

That in 1882 the Company received from Parliament an Act empowering them to construct the new line in the above-named Parishes, receiving from the Legislature certain powers and concessions for that purpose.

That before the expiration of the time laid down in the Act for completing the purchase of the various interests and properties the Company applied to Parliament for two years extension of time which the Legislature considered too much, and, therefore, only granted one year.

That people on the scheduled route who were, by the Company, officially notified that their properties would be required, are, in their respective callings, very much injured, as the uncertainty caused by those notices has had a detrimental effect upon business of every kind.

That the Company has acquired property in business neighbourhoods, and has not improved or turned it to account, thereby, in a general way, causing a serious loss to the Rates, an annoyance to the inhabitants, and a depreciation of other properties and interests.

That suspense and uncertainty detrimental to every section of the people residing on the area affected by the proposed Railway are caused through the wavering and procrastination of the Company.

That according to statements made before the Select Committee by the Chairman, Secretary and Chief Engineer of the Company, the proposed new Railway is absolutely necessary for the public safety, and should, therefore, be constructed without further delay.

That the Company are now promoting another Bill through Parliament for a further extension of time which if granted will, in the above-mentioned districts, be the cause of much public and private injury.

Your Memorialists therefore respectfully request your Honourable Board to oppose in Parliament the application of the South-Eastern Railway Company for an additional extension of time to carry out the agreement they made with the public as set forth in the Act which they received from the legislature in 1882.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

(Signed) O'HARA AND HOOR,
Whitecross-street,
And 194 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Pocock, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report.

4. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 12th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account, on the 31st December last, and the 9th instant, to be as follows—

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 12th December, 1885	...	...	...	...	£149,907 10 2
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day	1,367,976 16 11				
					£1,517,884 7 1
Payments since 12th December, 1885	...	...	...	...	1,416,352 10 10
Balance on 31st December, 1885	{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank ... £170,011 15 4 Less Cheques not presented 68,479 19 1				

101,531 16 3

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance on 12th December, 1885	...	...	...	...	£872 16 9
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	...	7,305 1 4
					£8,177 18 1
Payments since 12th December, 1885	...	...	...	...	7,456 1 6
Balance on 31st December, 1885	{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank ... £764 12 10 Less Cheques not presented 42 16 3				

21 16

Total Cash Balances on 31st December, 1885**£102,253 12 10***Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.*

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 12th December, 1885.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.		Balances, 31st December, 1885.		Cheques drawn but not issued.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.	At Debit.	At Credit.	
<i>Working Accounts—</i>	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General ...	310,457 13 9	...	108,530 18 6	32,430 19 2	234,357 14 5	...	919 4 6
Fire Brigade ...	675 5 8	...	2,585 4 7	8,412 11 2	6,502 12 3	...	...
Bridges ...	...	7,138 10 3	557 4 8	1,631 5 10	...	6,064 9 1	...
<i>Capital Accounts—</i>							
General ...	...	1,331,761 15 3	100,470 - -	1,136,336 4 -	...	295,895 11 3	8,273 2 1
Fire Brigade ...	32,484 10 11	...	34,943 7 3	2,458 16 4	...	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1877)...	8,171 16 11	...	8,179 14 5	7 17 6	...	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1881)	89,546 17 1	...	98,657 8 7	9,110 11 6	...	...	2,082 11 -
Bridges (Act of 1883)	39,757 4 -	...	40,342 9 2	585 5 2	...	...	...
Woolwich Ferry (1885)	- 16 4	...	27 1 4	26 5 -	...	...	...
Main Drainage and Main Sewers ...	150,875 14 3	...	164,033 10 5	13,157 16 2	...	...	...
Parks and Open Spaces ...	4,360 8 8	...	4,463 5 10	102 17 2	...	...	...
Highbury Fields ...	1 11 6	...	...	60,300 - -	60,301 11 6	...	...
Streets (Act of 1872)	141 7 10	...	141 7 10	...	...	...	...
Streets (Act of 1877)...	442,101 9 8	...	462,570 4 10	20,468 15 2	...	...	8,818 19 6
Tooley Street Er- cision (Act of 1882)	3,945 14 9	...	3,945 14 9	...	...	...	...
Streets (Act of 1883)...	237,180 1 4	...	254,433 7 7	17,253 6 3	...	...	18,758 19 10
Streets (Act of 1884)...	1,903 8 11	...	2,520 2 11	616 14 -	...	...	2,803 17 6
Streets (Act of 1885)...	14 5 -	...	357 15 -	343 10 -	...	...	...
Appold Street ...	...	39 - 1	...	...	...	39 - 1	...
Hampstead Im- provements ...	57,430 14 8	...	40,016 15 -	9,501 18 2	26,885 17 10	...	3,413 16 -
Poplar Improvement...	16 19 7	...	...	...	16 19 7	...	...
Thames Floods Pre- vention ...	4,644 12 1	...	4,725 8 10	80 16 9	...	...	...
<i>Miscellaneous—</i>							
Dwelling House Im- provement Fund...	...	9,909 13 7	2,725 14 8	7,711 15 3	...	4,923 13 -	5,032 16 1
Consolidated Loans Fund ...	...	184,578 11 10	33,720 - 9	95,815 6 3	...	122,483 6 4	151,946 3 8
Firemen's Savings Fund ...	...	190 12 1	...	...	...	190 12 1	...
	1,383,710 12 11	1,533,618 3 1	1,367,976 16 11	1,416,352 10 10	328,064 15 7	429,596 11 10	202,049 10 2
	£149,907 10 2				£101,531 16 3		

INVESTMENTS.

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND ...	...	£3,120 8 5	...	Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT ...	...	£298,900 - -	...	Treasury Bills, due 7th January, 1886.

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	£101,531 16 3	
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day				404,575 17 5	
					£506,107 13 8
Payments since 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	156,445 9 1
Balance on 9th January, 1886	{ viz: Cash Balance at Bank ... £352,705 10 9				
	{ Less Cheques not presented 3,043 6 2				

349,662 4 7

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance on 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	£721 16 7
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	...	143 3 11
					£865 - 6
Payments since 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	2,455 18 11
Debit Balance on 9th January, 1886	{ viz: Debit Balance at Bank... £1,550 11 10				
	{ Cheques not presented 40 6 7				

1,590 18 5

Total Cash Balances on 9th January, 1886**£348,071 6 2***Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.*

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 31st December, 1885.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.				Balances, 9th January, 1886.		Cheques drawn but not issued.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.		Payments.		At Debit.	At Credit.	
<i>Working Accounts—</i>	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s.
General	234,357 14 5	...	47,923 3 3		919 4 6		187,353 15 8	...	...
Fire Brigades	6,502 12 3	...	5,078 12 10		...		1,423 19 5	...	...
Bridges	...	6,064 9 1	14 5 4		...		...	6,078 14 5	6 1 1
<i>Capital Accounts—</i>									
General	...	295,895 11 3	298,900 -- --		...		...	594,795 11 3	8,273 2
Fire Brigades	...	...	...		...		...	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1877)...	...	...	...		...		...	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1881)	...	...	...		...		...	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1883)	...	...	...		...		...	...	3,036 13
Woolwich Ferry (1885)	...	...	...		...		...	...	...
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	...	...	...		...		...	...	...
Parks and Open Spaces	...	...	...		...		...	...	...
Highbury Fields	60,301 11 6	...	...		...		...	...	...
Streets (Act of 1872)	...	...	...		...		60,301 11 6	...	...
Streets (Act of 1877)...	...	...	...		...		...	...	...
Tooley Street Extension (Act of 1882)	...	...	...		607 5 6		607 5 6	...	12,360 2
Streets (Act of 1883)...	...	...	...		...		...	...	...
Streets (Act of 1884)...	...	...	...		1,638 2 --		1,638 2 --	...	17,911 16
Streets (Act of 1885)...	...	...	...		...		...	...	2,803 17
Appold Street	...	39 -- 1	...		...		...	39 -- 1	...
Hampstead Improvements	26,885 17 10	...	11 13 9		11 14 --		26,885 18 1	...	4,360 15
Poplar Improvement	16 19 7	...	...		...		16 19 7	...	...
Thames Flood Prevention	...	...	...		...		...	...	...
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>									
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	...	4,923 13 --	58 13 3		1,308 11 9		...	3,673 14 6	5,276 2
Consolidated Loans Fund	...	122,483 6 4	52,563 1 2		151,960 11 4		...	23,085 16 2	43 7
Firemen's Savings Fund	...	190 12 1	26 7 10		...		...	216 19 11	...
	328,064 15 7	429,596 11 10	404,575 17 5		156,445 9 1		278,227 11 9	627,889 16 4	54,070 19
	£101,531 16 3						£349,662 4 7		

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND

INVESTMENTS.

£3,120 8 5

Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statements, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED, 14th to 31st December, 1885—

Assessments—						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.											
Hampstead ...	...	...	...	...	...	£27,565	3	8			
Islington ...	...	...	...	...	...	23,991	13	6			
Middle Temple ...	...	...	...	...	...	101	16	4			
Mile End ...	...	...	...	...	...	5,250	4	1			
Paddington ...	...	...	...	...	...	19,130	1	3			
St. George-in-the-East...	...	...	...	...	...	3,150	14	6			
St. Luke, Middlesex ...	...	...	...	...	...	4,294	14	5			
St. Mary, Lambeth ...	...	...	...	...	...	21,117	12	2			
St. Olave District ...	...	...	...	...	...	3,183	17	9			
St. Saviour's District ...	...	...	...	...	...	4,795	-	-			
Shoreditch ...	...	...	...	...	...	9,347	11	7			
Whitechapel ...	...	...	...	...	...	5,743	5	-			
						107,671 14 3					
Supplemental assessments, re Government property—											
Greenwich District ...	...	...	...	...	...	£176	3	2			
Plumstead District ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	10			
						177 6 -					
Fees—											
Re Construction of buildings (Building Act) ...	...	...	...	...	...	£5	5	-			
„ Dangerous structures „ ...	...	...	...	...	...	210	11	6			
„ Gas-meter testing ...	...	...	...	...	...	159	10	-			
„ Petroleum ...	...	...	...	...	...	13	17	-			
„ Explosives ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	-			
						390 9 6					
Costs recovered—											
Re Loans ...	...	...	...	...	...	£103	8	-			
„ Leases ...	...	...	...	...	...	52	15	-			
Law-costs ...	...	...	...	...	...	6	6	-			
						162 9 -					
Proceeds of sales of carcasses—											
Re Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act ...	...	...	...	...	...	120	1	5			
Plans, &c., sold ...	...	...	...	...	...	8	18	4			
						108,530 18 6					
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.											
Contribution from insurance company ...	...	...	...	...	...	-	8	1			
Contributions from men towards rent ...	...	...	...	...	...	156	6	6			
Chimney-fire penalties...	...	...	...	...	...	12	14	6			
Attendance at ex-metropolitan fires ...	...	...	...	...	...	14	13	6			
Watching premises ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	-			
Transfer from Fire Brigade Capital Account for cost of steam-tugs supplied by											
Messrs. Hawthorn & Co. ...	...	...	...	...	...	2,400	-	-			
						2,585 4 7					
BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.											
Rent ...	...	...	...	...	...	88	9	8			
Justices of the Peace for Middlesex—											
One-quarter's contribution towards the maintenance of bridges ...	...	...	...	...	...	300	-	-			
South Eastern Railway Co.—											
One-quarter's charge, under Captain Galton's award, in respect of difference in value of tolls on Deptford-creek bridge (XL and XLI. Vic., cap. 99, sec. 23) ...	...	...	...	...	...	168	15	-			
						557 4 8					
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.											
Amount in completion of loan of £1,750,000 ...	...	...	...	...	...	470	-	-			
Treasury bills discounted ...	...	...	...	...	...	100,000	-	-			
						100,470 - -					
STREETS (ACT OF 1883).											
Moiety of costs of award, re Hood (Upper-street) ...	...	...	...	...	...				22	16	-
HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.											
Rent ...	...	...	...	...	...	46	15	-			
Contribution from Hampstead Vestry ...	...	...	...	...	...	£20,000	-	-			
Transfer from General Capital Account ...	...	...	...	...	...	20,000	-	-			
						40,000 - -					
						40,046 15 -					
Carried forward						£252,212 18 9					

								£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
							Brought forward	...	...	...	252,212	18	9
DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.													
Rent ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	14	8		
Sale—													
Goulston-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,700	-	-			
											2,725	14	8
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.													
Rent ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,008	3	2			
Loans—													
Interest ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£18,360	15	6				
Repayments	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,097	16	4				
										28,458	11	10	
Sales—													
Camberwell	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,538	-	-			
Interest, <i>re</i> sales—													
Camberwell	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	5	10			
Interest on cash balances	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,652	-	11			
Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by the Board	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	45	11	-			
Transfer from <i>Hampstead Improvements Account</i> for wages paid to watchman													
from 5th October to 9th December	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	8	-			
											33,720	-	9

SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.Transfer from *General Capital Account* in adjustment—

<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	...	...	£34,943	7	3					
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	...	...	164,032	10	5					
<i>Parks and Open Spaces</i>	...	...	...	...	...	4,463	5	10					
<i>Streets (Act of 1872)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	141	7	10					
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	462,570	4	10					
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	254,410	11	7					
<i>Streets (Act of 1884)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	2,520	2	11					
<i>Streets (Act of 1885)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	357	15	-					
<i>Tooley Street Extension (Act of 1882)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	3,945	14	9					
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	...	...	4,725	8	10					
<i>Bridges (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	8,179	14	5					
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	98,657	8	7					
<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	40,342	9	2					
<i>Woolwich Ferry (1885)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	27	1	4					
											1,079,318	2	9
											£1,367,976	16	11

SUMS RECEIVED from 1st to 9th January, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Assessments—											
Clerkenwell Vestry	...	...	...	...	...	£5,155	7	-			
Poplar District	...	...	...	...	...	10,887	11	1			
St. James, Westminster	...	...	...	...	...	10,526	3	9			
Wandsworth District	...	...	...	...	...	20,710	1	2			
									46,279	3	-
Supplemental assessment, <i>re</i> Government property—											
Poplar District	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	12	6		
Fees—											
<i>Re</i> Construction of buildings (Building Act)	...	...	...	...	...	£1	5	-			
„ Dangerous Structures (Building Act)	...	...	...	...	...	77	10	2			
„ Gas-meter testing	...	...	...	...	...	10	13	6			
„ Petroleum	...	...	...	...	...	17	5	-			
„ Explosives	...	...	...	...	...	5	12	-			
									112	5	8
Costs recovered—											
<i>Re</i> Loans	...	...	...	...	...	£152	6	-			
Law-costs	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	-			
									153	7	-
Proceeds of sales of carcases—											
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	18	7		
Carried forward	...	...	...	...	...	£47,580	6	9			

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
					Brought forward ...	47,580	6	9			
Plans, &c., sold	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	6			
Fees on issue and reinscription of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock certificates	...	...	...	...	...	341	14	-	47,923	3	3
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.											
Contributions from insurance companies	...	...	...	...	...	5,022	12	10			
Contributions from men towards rent	...	...	...	...	...	51	17	-			
Chimney-fire penalties...	...	...	...	...	...	3	-	-			
Return of unclaimed wages	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	-	5,078	12	10
BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.											
Rent ...	...	...	...	...	...				14	5	4
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.											
Treasury bills (balance of £398,900)	...	...	...	...	...				298,900	-	-
HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...				11	13	9
DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...				58	13	3
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...	4,101	5	8			
Loans—											
Interest ...	...	...	...	...	...	£15,915	14	1			
Repayments	...	...	...	...	...	14,798	14	3			
						30,714	8	4			
Sales—											
Northumberland-avenue	...	...	...	...	...	16,025	-	-			
Interest—											
Re sales Northumberland-avenue	...	...	...	...	...	622	7	2			
Discount on Treasury bills	...	...	...	...	...	1,100	-	-	52,563	1	2
FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND.											
One-quarter's dividend on £3,120 8s. 5d. Metropolitan Consolidated Three-and-a-half per Cent. Stock	...	...	...	...	...				26	7	10
									£404,575	17	5

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £12,220 15s. 7d., be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 6th July, 1883 (No. 8), your Committee have had before them a Statement of the Salaries which will become payable to the Board's Officers on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £2,975 16s. 8d., which Statement has been approved by your Committee; and they beg to submit the same, and to recommend—

That the Board do pass an Order authorising the Treasurer to pay the several amounts on or after the 25th instant.

On the 23rd October last (No. 15), the Board agreed to advance the sum of £25,000 to the Guardians of the Poor of the St. Saviour's Union, £20,000 being re-paid in 30 years, and £5,000 within 15 years. The £20,000 has been advanced, but the Guardians have neglected to take up the balance (£5,000) and have intimated to your Solicitor that they wish the re-payment spread over a longer period than that fixed by the Board. As 15 years is the period usually allowed for re-payment of Loans for fittings and fixtures, for which the £5,000 are required, the Guardians have been informed to

that effect, but have given no intimation of their wish to proceed with the matter, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd October last (No. 15), agreeing to advance the Guardians the sum of £25,000, be as to £5,000 not further acted upon.

Your Committee have also to report that your Accountant has submitted to them a list of the Vestries, District Boards, &c., who have not paid the second moiety of the Precepts issued by the Board for the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate for the year 1885, which became due on the 1st ultimo. As it is desirable that the amounts due should be forthwith paid, your Committee recommend—

That a communication be addressed to the Vestries, and other Boards who are in default, to the effect that, on the expiration of three weeks from the 15th instant, it will become the duty of the Board to make Rates upon the several Parishes and Districts, &c., for all sums which may then remain due under the Precepts.

There is also due from several of the Vestries and other Boards, the contributions payable in respect of property occupied by her Majesty's Government, and your Committee recommend—

That application be made for payment of the same.

Your Committee have further to report that the Precepts which were issued by the Board on the 20th February last (No. 14), and directed to the Societies of Lincoln's-inn and the Inner Temple, are still unpaid, and they recommend—

That Mr. Joseph Smith be appointed to levy in those places the amounts required to be raised, and that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the necessary Instruments of appointment.

On the 27th November last (No. 5), the Board drew a Cheque for £3,300 on the Fire Brigade Working Account, in favour of Messrs. Hawthorn and Co., for two Steam-tugs, the funds in hand on the Fire Brigade Capital Account not being sufficient for that purpose. Your Accountant has reported to your Committee that the total payments sanctioned by the Board and charged to Capital Account during the year 1885 amounted to £32,543 7s. 3d., the expending power being £35,000, and that he had consequently, on closing the year's Accounts on the 31st December, transferred from the Fire Brigade Capital to the Working Account the sum of £2,400 in diminution of the amount so advanced, leaving the balance, £900, to be reimbursed to the Working Account, under power to be obtained for that purpose in the Money Bill of 1886, and your Committee recommend—

That such transfer be approved.

Your Committee have had prepared a list of the Loans sanctioned by the Board, and of contributions granted in aid of Local Improvements, made up to the 31st December last, in continuation of the lists up to the 31st December, 1882, ordered to be printed by the Board, and your Committee beg to submit the same, and to recommend—

That the lists be printed, and be circulated amongst the Members of the Board.

On the 23rd December last the Board drew a Cheque on the General Capital Account in favour of the London and Westminster Bank, *re* Metropolitan District Railway Company, for the sum of £8,273 2s. 1d., for the purpose of being deposited at the Bank, should the Company not take up, by the 31st ultimo, the two Cheques also drawn on that day for the same amount. As the two Cheques were taken up, the other is not now required, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That it be cancelled.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
JOHN TOLHURST,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
GEORGE JAMES,
P. W. FUNNELL.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(90)—											
5998	Coals for offices, Spring-gardens, November, 1885	...	...	...	...	19	18	-			
PAYNE, W., AND Co.—(28)—											
5999	Repairing and winding office clocks, year 1885	...	...	...	...	11	13	-			
CONNELL, W., AND Co.—(32)—											
6000	Washing office towels, dusters, &c., October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	14	16	7			
EAST LONDON WATERWORKS Co.—(22)—											
6001	Water for flushing sewers, July to September, 1885	...	...	...	...	16	19				
NEW RIVER Co.—(21)—											
6002	Water for flushing sewers, January to October, 1885	...	...	...	...	7	10				
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(23)—											
6003	Coals and coke for sluice-houses, &c., and Deptford pumping-station, November, 1885	...	...	...	...	290		1			
FRASER AND FRASER—(88)—											
6004	Repairs to boilers at Abbey Mills pumping-station, October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	34	11	5			
EASTON AND ANDERSON—(19)—											
6005	Wrought-iron trough, &c., for mortar-mill used for deodorizing purposes at Barking Outfall, November, 1885	...	...	...	...	21	13	6			
IMPROVED WOOD PAVEMENT Co., LIMITED—(20)—											
6006	Maintaining carriageway of street by the Savoy, 23rd November, 1884, to 23rd December, 1885	...	...	...	...	44	5	8			
GREGORY, W.—(8£)—											
6007	Surveying instruments, and repairs, July to November, 1885	...	...	...	...	26	13	6			
BRASS, W., AND SON—(86)—											
6008	Shoring, hoarding, &c., dangerous structures	...	...	...	...	119	9	11			
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(81)—											
Fees, re dangerous structures —											
6009	Ashbridge, A.	...	...	...	...	£4	7	6			
6010	Carritt, E.	...	...	...	...	14	2	6			
6011	Conder, A.	...	...	...	...	5	12	6			
6012	Foulsham, C.	...	...	...	...	2	-	-			
6013	Fowler, C.	...	...	...	...	7	5	10			
6014	Grose, V. J.	...	...	...	...	2	10	-			
6015	Gundry, H.	...	...	...	...	5	17	6			
6016	Hammon, H. J.	...	...	...	...	2	5	-			
6017	Hayward, C. F.	...	...	...	...	4	10	-			
6018	Hewitt, E. R.	...	...	...	...	2	12	6			
6019	Jarvis, H.	...	...	...	...	4	7	6			
6020	Kerr, R.	...	...	...	...	4	7	6			
6021	Knightley, T. E.	...	...	...	...	2	10	-			
6022	Lansdown, G.	...	...	...	...	5	-	-			
6023	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
6024	Marsland, E.	...	...	...	...	3	-	-			
6025	Notley, R. P.	...	...	...	...	15	7	6			
6026	Oliver, H.	...	...	...	...	9	7	6			
6027	Parsons, H.	...	...	...	...	3	-	-			
6028	Payne, A....	...	...	...	...	2	17	6			
6029	Smith, T. R.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
6030	Walker, R.	...	...	...	...	3	17	6			
6031	Wallen, F.	...	...	...	...	3	17	6			
6032	Williams, T.	...	...	...	...	2	-	-			
						115	-	10			
RAWLINGS, E. C.—(92)—											
6033	Return of amount deposited with the Board by Mr. E. Jones in respect of a temporary iron chapel erected in Blurton-road, Clapton	...	...	...	...	50	-	-			
Carried forward						£772	11	6			

						£	s.	d.	£	s.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	772	11	6	...	...
AVORY, H.—(6)—										
6034	Counsel's fees, <i>re</i> Building Act cases, August and November, 1885					30	2			
BRICKDALE, M. T. F.—(18)—										
6035	Counsel's fees, <i>re</i> Metropolis Management Act, December, 1885	...				11	-	-		
SMITH, J., AND EUSTACE E.—(3)—										
6036	Commission on dangerous structure cases, placed in their hands for collection, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...		...	...	44	7	6		
PENSIONS of late Officers—(26)—										
	Month ending 25th January, 1886—									
6037	Fernley, G.	...	...	...	...	£3	15	6		
6038	Kennedy, T.	...	...	...	...	8	17	9		
6039	Welsh, R....	...	...	...	...	4	3	4		
6040	Whitworth, E.	...	...	...	...	5	-	-		
									21	16 7
RENTS of premises occupied by the Board, due Christmas, 1885—(84)—										
6041	Burton, D., Executors of, per Hopkinson & Sons—									
	Offices, Spring-gardens	...	...	...	...	£308	17	9		
6042	Himbury, S.—Storage-yard, Plumstead-common	...				2	5	6		
6043	Hardisty, Rhodes and Hardisty—Gas-meter testing-house, Westminster	...	...	...	...	22	10	-		
									333	13 3
										1,213 10 1
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.										
ST. OLAVE DISTRICT BOARD OF WORKS—(91)—										
2470	New lamp-column at corner of Vine-street, Tooley-street, in place of one broken by American fire-ladder, November, 1885	...				5	18	2		
ROSE, W., AND Co.—(15)—										
2471	India-rubber lined hose, December, 1885	...	...	...	...	657	7	6		
RENTS OF STATIONS, escape-standings, &c., due Christmas, 1885—(82)—										
2472	Dobrée, Mrs. C.	...	...	...	...	£10	-	-		
2473	Crace, J. D.	...	...	...	...	15	-	-		
2474	Dethridge, F.	...	...	...	...	25	-	-		
2475	Insley, Rev. W. P.	...	...	...	...	3	15	-		
2476	Clarke, D.	...	...	...	...	10	-	-		
2477	Lewisham Parochial Charities Trustees	...	...	...	...	5	-	-		
2478	Outhwaite, J.	...	...	...	...	41	5	-		
2479	Hadlow, W.	...	...	...	...	15	-	-		
2480	Tweedie, A. F. and R. W.	...	...	...	...	4	10	-		
2481	Barelay and Co., for Rev. G. Thompson	...	...	...	...	26	5	-		
2482	Holmes, E. C., and Son	...	...	...	...	8	10	-		
2483	Union Assurance Office	...	...	...	...	15	-	-		
2484	Whitbread and Co.	...	...	...	...	22	10	-		
2485	Brown and Rooke	...	...	...	...	10	-	-		
2486	Wandsworth District Board of Works	...	...	...	...	7	10	-		
2487	Williams, James and Wason	...	...	...	...	6	5			
2488	Covington, Rev. W.	...	...	...	...	7	10			
2489	Lee and Pemberton	...	...	...	...	11	5			
2490	Ratcliff, H.	...	...	...	...	2	12	-		
2491	Fielder, Mrs. E.	...	...	...	...	5				
2492	Hooper, H.	...	...	...	...	2	10			
2493	Cocks, R....	...	...	...	...	13	-	-		
2494	Evelyn Estate Agency	...	...	...	...	3	15	-		
2495	Pilcher, J. G.	...	...	...	...	10	10	-		
2496	Read, T.	...	...	...	...	25	-			
2497	Shadwell Estate Agency	...	...	...	...	20	-	-		
2498	Heath, W. E.	...	...	...	...	10	16	-		
									337	8 5
GATEHOUSE, R. H.—(27)—										
2499	Pension, month ending 25th January 1886	...	...	...	...	16	10	-		
									1,017	3 8
	Carried forward	...	...	...	...				£2,230	14 6

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	2,230	14	6

MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.

AMOUNTS payable in settlement of claims in respect of the Lee and Eltham sewer, such sums being chargeable against Messrs. Kellett and Bentley's contract—(95 to 98)—

1243	Cossins, G. D.—For damage to No. 4, Park-villas, Eltham	...	20	—	—
1244	Johnson, D. S.—For damage to four 40 ft. plots of building-land	...	15	—	—
1245	Fielding, G.—For damage done to nursery-ground	...	5	—	—
1246	Pinnock, W.—For use of a field at Eltham	...	3	—	—

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STREETS (ACT OF 1877).

GRIFFITHS, J. J.—(93)—

8545	Further on account of contract for paving and other works between West-street and Bloomsbury-street (No. 756)	...	700	9	1
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TURNER, T.—(94)—

8546	Further on account of contract for paving and other works at West-street and Piccadilly (No. 762)	...	1,174	4	7
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KERSHAW, B. D.—(12)—

8547	Witness' charges, December, 1885, <i>re</i> D'Humy (Charing-cross)	...	5	10	6
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TURNER, M. AND H.—(9)—

8548	High bailiff's fees, <i>re</i> D'Humy (Charing-cross)	...	41	5	4
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STREETS (ACT OF 1883).

BEVEN, T.—(30)—

733	Counsel's fees, <i>re</i> Harding (Islington), July, 1885	...	26	17	—
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BRIDGES (ACT OF 1881).

LITTLER, R. D. M.—(13)—

4	Counsel's fees, <i>re</i> Hanson and Bowden (Putney), November, 1885	...	105	—	6
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FREEMAN, G. M.—(31)—

5	Counsel's fees, <i>re</i> Hanson and Bowden (Putney) September to December, 1885	...	94	15	6
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CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

RENTS of premises taken by the Board and re-let, quarter to Christmas, 1885—(83)—

1510	Abbott, C. J.—No. 44, Chandos-street	...	£6	17	6
1511	Harrild, H.—No. 27½, Farringdon-street	...	16	5	—

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AMOUNTS returnable in respect of deposits made upon execution of tenancy agreements—(4 and 5)—

1512	Oberst, K.—No. 5, Little Earl-street, Soho	...	£74	3	4
1513	Collins, F. W.—No. 27, Little Earl-street, Soho	...	4	—	—
1514	Wadden, T.—No. 172, Upper-street, Islington	...	5	—	—

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SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.

BESLEY, E. T. E.—(24)—

1866	Counsel's fees, quarter to 31st December, 1885—				
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	3	10	6
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	8	5	—

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STREET BROTHERS—(30)—

1867	Advertisements, November, 1885—				
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	4	18	6
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1877)</i>	...	14	7	6

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MARRIOTT, W. T., Q.C.—(17)—

1868	Counsel's fees, December, 1885—				
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	79	19	6
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	1	3	6

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Carried forward	...	...	£4,640	7	4
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					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,640	7	4
HODGES AND SON—(25)—										
1863	Short-hand notes, October and November, 1885—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	7	5	6		
	<i>General Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	...	33	15	6		
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	16	5	8		
									57	6 8
RUSSELL, W.—(29)—										
1870	Commission on weekly rents collected during December, 1885—									
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	...	—	7	2		
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	1	5	—		
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	3	7	1		
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	12	9	2		
									17	8 5
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(99 and 100)—										
Re-payment of advances—										
1871	Weekly wages—Three weeks to 6th January, 1886—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£2,442	17	—			
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	7	3	—			
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	7	5	—			
	<i>General Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	9	—	—			
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	27	9	—			
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	222	12	—			
	<i>Parks and Open Spaces...</i>	...	...	...	39	14	8			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	34	13	—			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1885)</i>	...	...	...	7	10	—			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	3	12	—			
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	46	1	3			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	146	15	2			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	22	1	—			
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	38	16	6			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	56	2	—			
								3,111	11	7
	Firemen's wages—Three weeks to 9th January, 1886—									
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	2,992	15	10			
	Weekly pensions to 2nd January, 1886—									
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	84	13	4			
									6,189	— 9
1872	Petty disbursements, 7th December, 1885, to 2nd January, 1886—									
	<i>a General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£188	1	10			
	<i>b Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£11	15	2			
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	1	3	11			
								12	19	1
	<i>c Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	1	1	6			
					£202	2	5			
	<i>General Working Account—</i>									
	<i>d Premium for guarantee of Mr. A. L. Farrow, to 14th December, 1886</i>	...	...	...	3	17	6			
	<i>e Return of amount deposited by Mr. Doll, re Albert Bridge Contract</i>	...	...	...	5	—	—			
	<i>General Capital Account—</i>									
	<i>f Copies of documents (Fox v. Amhurst), Hackney-commons</i>	...	...	...	4	—	—			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)—</i>									
	<i>g Costs of production of documents, re L. Levy (Southwark-bridge-road)</i>	...	...	...	1	8	4			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>									
	<i>h One-quarter's rent of yard in rear of No. 263, Upper-street, Islington</i>	...	...	...	2	—	—			
	Carried forward	...	...	...	£218	8	3	...	10,904	3 2

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...							10,904	3	2
TRANSFER TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued) ...	218	8	3						
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund—</i>									
<i>i</i> Further costs of title and conveyance, <i>re</i> Smith (Tench-street) ...	1	-	-						
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund—</i>									
<i>i</i> One year's insurance premium for the "Flying Horse" public-house, Walworth-road, to Michaelmas, 1886 ...	1	4	-						
<i>k</i> Half-year's rent (less ground-rent) of No. 7, Bermondsey-new-road to Michaelmas, 1885 (less tax) ...	1	13	10						
Compensations to tenants on removal—									
<i>l</i> Streets (Act of 1877) ...	£92	10	-						
Streets (Act of 1883) ...	5	10	-						
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i> ...	375	-	-						
	473	-	-						
Postages, 7th December, 1885 to 2nd January, 1886—									
<i>m</i> General Working Account ...	82	-	-				778	6	1
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account—</i>									
<i>n</i> Rent of lodgings for firemen, December, 1885 ...	121	16							
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>									
<i>o</i> Compensation to W. H. Vickridge, for immediate removal from No. 22, Whitecross-street, Southwark-bridge-road ...	100	-	-						
<i>p</i> Special jury expenses, <i>re</i> D'Humy (Charing-cross) ...	32	9	4				251	5	4
Amounts to be paid through the Account—									
Bills, &c., for sums under £2—									
<i>q</i> General Working Account—									
Hughes, E., and Co., Limited—Carriage of sludge from Crossness ...	£1	4	2						
Roshier, F., & Co.—Silver sand for Southwark-park ...	1	1	-						
Allchin, S., and Co.—Perforating postage-stamps ...	-	3	6						
Bockett, Stunt and Nash—Fee for information, <i>re</i> Improvements ...	-	15	-						
Clarkson, A.—Chemicals for sewage experiments ...	-	12	6						
District Surveyors—Fees <i>re</i> dangerous structures ...	8	12	6						
	12	8	8						
Rates and taxes for premises occupied by the Board—									
<i>r</i> General Working Account ...	271	12	4				284	1	
							1,316	12	5
							£12,220	15	7
Examined, (signed) T. G. FARDELL, GEORGE JAMES, WILLIAM URQUHART, P. W. FUNNELL, JNO. LENANTON, CHAS. MOSSOP.				Certified, (signed) A. GUNN, Accountant.					

Report of receipts in respect of the second moiety (due on the 1st December, 1885) of the Assessments made by the Board on the 20th day of February, 1885, for raising the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate for the year 1885, and of contributions in respect Government property, submitted with the Report of the Committee.

No.	PARISHES, DISTRICTS, AND PARTS.	Paid to the Treasurer to 9th January, 1886, inclusive.		Unpaid on the 9th January, 1886.		Government Property.	
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	Paid to the 9th day of Jan. 1886.	Unpaid on the 9th day of Jan. 1886.
1	City of London	49,611	6 7	...	...	26 11 11	...
2	Saint Marylebone	...	...	21,702	9 1	...	81 14 2
3	Saint Pancras	...	...	23,149	4 7	...	36 14 6
4	Lambeth	21,117	12 2	...	...	30 4 8	...
5	Saint George, Hanover-square	...	...	26,169	15 1	...	145 8 -
6	Islington, Saint Mary	23,991	13 6	...	...	85 13 1	...
7	Shoreditch, Saint Leonard	9,347	11 7	...	...	...	...
8	Paddington	19,130	1 3	...	...	...	...
9	Saint Matthew, Bethnal-green	...	...	5,792	10 6	7 15 9	...
10	Saint Mary, Newington, Surrey	...	...	6,460	12 3	14 5 6	...
11	Camberwell	14,092	11 10	...	...	...	6 14 11
12	Saint James, Westminster	10,526	3 9	...	...	...	...
13	Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell	5,155	7 -	...	...	...	...
14	Chelsea	...	...	8,138	17 10	...	...
15	Kensington, Saint Mary Abbott	...	...	26,924	15 4	...	...
16	Saint Luke, Middlesex	4,294	14 5	...	...	...	...
17	Saint George-the-Martyr, Southwark	3,779	14 7	...	...	16 17 4	...
18	Bermondsey	...	...	6,180	18 7	...	...
19	Saint George-in-the-East	3,150	14 6	...	...	...	...
20	Saint Martin-in-the-Fields	...	...	6,412	3 8	...	...
21	Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town	5,250	4 1	...	...	4 18 7	...
22	Woolwich	1,886	13 1	...	...	...	1,050 4 9
23	Rotherhithe	...	...	3,130	3 8	...	5 11 7
24	Saint John, Hampstead	7,565	3 8	...	...	2 18 8	...
25	Whitechapel District	5,743	5 -	...	...	...	3 15 3
26	Westminster ditto	...	...	9,712	19 1	...	1,356 11 10
27	Greenwich ditto	...	...	10,385	6 11	413 - 2	57 2 1
28	Wandsworth ditto	20,710	1 2	...	...	44 15 10	...
29	Hackney ditto	...	...	*15,426	3 11	...	2 7 8
30	Saint Giles ditto	...	...	5,676	12 3	87 7 9	...
31	Holborn ditto	...	...	4,636	4 -	...	...
32	Strand ditto	...	...	6,854	14 7	...	...
33	Fulham ditto	...	...	10,603	5 3	...	...
34	Limehouse ditto	5,023	8 4	...	...	...	...
35	Poplar ditto	10,887	11 1	...	...	5 12 6	...
36	Saint Saviour's ditto	4,795	- -	...	...	3 17 11	†5 3 9
37	Plumstead ditto	...	...	5,163	17 7	89 7 10	564 16 1
38	Lewisham ditto	...	...	8,956	10 7	1 17 3	...
39	Saint Olave ditto	3,183	17 9	...	...	...	...
40	The Charter House	...	...	190	19 1	...	...
41	Gray's Inn	235	5 10	...	...	...	...
42	The Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter	18	6 1	...	...	...	...
43	Inner Temple †	...	...	171	7 10	...	...
44	Middle Temple	101	16 4	...	...	...	...
45	Lincoln's Inn †	...	...	145	10 4	...	...
46	Staple Inn	20	8 9	...	...	...	...
47	Furnival's Inn	29	1 6	...	...	...	...
48	Hornsey, North	1,522	16 -	...	...	...	...
49	South Hornsey	...	...	551	14 9	...	...
50	Beckenham	216	3 5	...	...	...	...
Total ...		£ 231,386	13 3	212,536	16 9	835 4 9	3,316 4 7
		£443,923 10 -				£4,151 9 4	

* Paid since the Meeting of the Committee.

† £5 9s. 8d. is also unpaid for 1884.

† The first moiety in these two parts is still unpaid, namely, Inner Temple, £171 7s. 9d., and Lincoln's Inn, £145 10s. 3d.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

The Statement of the Officers' Salaries, submitted with the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £12,220 15s. 7d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Fees specified in the Four summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to D inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Ashbridge, A. ...	3	4 7 6	...	...	4 7 6
2	Blashill, T. ...	4	1 5 -	...	...	1 5 -
3	Carritt, E. ...	10	13 7 6	2	- 15 -	14 2 6
4	Conger, A. ...	5	5 12 6	...	...	5 12 6
5	Fletcher, B. ...	2	1 10 -	...	...	1 10 -
6	Foulsham, C. ...	1	2 - -	...	...	2 - -
7	Fowler, C. ...	7	6 15 10	1	- 10 -	7 5 10
8	Grose, V. J. ...	2	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
9	Gundry, H. ...	3	5 5 -	1	- 12 6	5 17 6
10	Hammon, H. J. ...	2	2 1 -	...	...	2 1 -
11	Hayward, C. F. ...	5	4 2 6	1	- 7 6	4 10 -
12	Hewitt, E. R. ...	1	1 7 6	1	1 5 -	2 12 6
13	Jarvis, H. ...	5	4 7 6	...	...	4 7 6
14	Jennings, J. ...	2	1 2 6	...	...	1 2 6
15	Kerr, R. ...	3	4 7 6	...	...	4 7 6
16	Knightley, T. E. ...	3	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
17	Lansdown, G. ...	5	5 - -	...	...	5 - -
18	McDonnell, G. ...	4	2 2 6	...	...	2 2 6
19	Markham, S. S. ...	2	1 7 6	...	...	1 7 6
20	Marsland, E. ...	1	2 2 6	1	- 17 6	3 - -
21	Noble, R. P. ...	15	15 7 6	...	...	15 7 6
22	Oliver, H. ...	7	6 7 6	1	3 - -	6 7 6
23	Parsons, H. ...	3	3 - -	...	...	3 - -
24	Purvis, A. ...	4	2 10 -	1	- 7 6	2 17 6
25	Smith, T. R. ...	1	- 17 6	3	1 5 -	2 2 6
26	Tanner, A. W. ...	1	- 15 -	...	...	- 15 -
27	Walker, R. ...	2	1 7 6	2	2 10 -	3 17 6
28	Wallen, F. ...	3	3 10 -	1	- 7 6	3 17 6
29	Williams, T. ...	1	1 7 6	1	- 12 6	2 - -
30	Woodthorpe, E. ...	2	1 15 -	...	...	1 15 -
31	Woodward, J. A. J. ...	1	- 17 6	...	...	- 17 6
		110	111 3 4	16	12 10 -	123 13 4

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the under-mentioned expenses, incident to shoring and boarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
33,642	8, Smith-street, Clerkenwell	10 4 11
33,706	74, Back Church-lane, St. George-in-the-East...	7 4 -
33,733	York House, Constable-alley, Shoreditch	7 9 6
33,751	12, Clerkenwell-road, Clerkenwell	5 5 10
33,752	14, Do. do.	13 13 1
33,753	16, Do. do.	24 13 3
33,754	18, Do. do.	12 14 7
33,755	20, Do. do.	16 14 1
33,965	3, Little King-street North, St. Pancras	2 1 5
33,991 & 33,968	6 and 8, Richmond-road, Paddington	14 14 9
34,063	11, Upper Marsh, Lambeth	4 14 6
		£ 119 9 11

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Statement now submitted, showing the Salaries payable to the Officers of the Board on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £2,975 16s. 8d., be approved, and that the Treasurer of the Board, the London and Westminster Bank (Limited), be authorised to pay the several sums specified in such Statement, to the persons entitled to receive the same.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd October last (No. 15), agreeing to advance to the Guardians of the Poor of the St. Saviour's Union a sum of £25,000, be as to £5,000 not further acted upon.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Vestries, District Boards, and other bodies who have made default in payment of the second moiety of the sums named in the Precepts issued by this Board for the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate for the year 1885, which became due on the 1st ultimo, be informed that, on the expiration of Three weeks from this date, it will become the duty of the Board to make Rates upon the several Parishes or Districts, for levying all sums which may then remain due under such Precepts.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the several Vestries and District Boards who have not paid to the Board the amount due in respect of the contribution in lieu of Rates on Government property be applied to for payment of the same.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the necessary steps be forthwith taken for the preparation of Rates on Lincoln's-inn and the Inner Temple, for the Consolidated Rate for the year 1885.

The Clerk reported that the sum of £291 0s. 7d., mentioned in the Precept, dated 20th February, 1885, in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, and addressed to the Honourable Society of Lincoln's-inn, was still unpaid.

And it being made to appear to the Board that the Honourable Society of Lincoln's-inn had neglected and failed to obey the Precept of the Board, issued on the 20th February, 1885, in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, and duly served upon the said Society,

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That Joseph Smith be appointed to levy in Lincoln's-inn the money required by this Board, amounting to £291 0s. 7d., as follows, that is to say—

Whereas, at a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held on the 20th day of February, 1885, at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, under and by virtue of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts for amending, extending, and varying the same, and the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, the said Board did issue their Precept under their Common Seal, to the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's-inn, being one of the places mentioned in

Schedule C to the said Act of 1855, and did thereby require them to pay to the London and Westminster Bank, No. 1, St. James's-square, in the City of Westminster, Treasurer and Banker of the said Metropolitan Board, in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, the sum of £291 0. 7d., in manner following—that is to say: the sum of £145 10s. 3d., part thereof, on or before the 1st day of June, 1885, and the sum of £145 10s. 4d., residue thereof, on or before the 1st day of December, 1885, the said sum of £291 0s. 7d., being the amount by law chargeable upon the said Lincoln's-inn for payment of principal and interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, and also for all other purposes of the Board to which the said Society is liable, as set forth in the said Precept; and which said sum of £291 0s. 7d. the said Metropolitan Board did, on the 20th day of February, 1885, ascertain and assess upon the said Lincoln's-inn as a portion of the said Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, in pursuance of the provisions of the said Acts in that behalf. **And whereas** the said Precept was duly served upon the said Society, and the said Society have neglected and failed to pay the said sum of £291 0s. 7d. within the times and in the manner mentioned, and as required by the said Precept, and the said sum, and every part thereof, is still unpaid. **And whereas** it has been resolved at a Meeting of the said Board, held at their Office in Spring-gardens, in the County of Middlesex, this day, that you, Joseph Smith, should be appointed to levy in the said Lincoln's-inn the said sum required by the said Metropolitan Board to be paid by the said Society in respect of the said Precept. Now, the said Metropolitan Board do, by this Instrument, under their Common Seal, appoint you, the said Joseph Smith, in conformity with the said Resolution, to levy, forthwith, in the said Lincoln's-inn, in accordance with the said Assessment and Precept, and in conformity with the said Acts, the said sum of £291 0s. 7d., mentioned in the said Precept, and required by this Board for the purposes aforesaid, and to levy in addition to the said sum of £291 0s. 7d. all the expenses of, and incidental to, the preparing, making, collecting, and levying any Rate which may be made by you for the purpose of raising the said sum.

The Clerk laid before the Board the said Instrument of Appointment of the said Joseph Smith.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Instrument of Appointment be approved and adopted; that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that the same, when sealed, be delivered to the said Joseph Smith as his appointment to levy the said sum mentioned in the Precept amounting to £291 0s. 7d., together with all the expenses of, and incidental to, the preparing, making, collecting, and levying any Rate which may be made by him for the purpose of raising the said sum; and the Seal of the Board was affixed to such Instrument of Appointment accordingly.

The Clerk reported that the sum of £342 15s. 7d., mentioned in the Precept, dated 20th February, 1885, in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, and addressed to the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple, was still unpaid.

And it being made to appear to the Board that the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple had neglected and failed to obey the Precept of the Board, issued on the 20th February, 1885, in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, and duly served upon the said Society,

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That Joseph Smith be appointed to levy in the Inner Temple the money required by this Board, amounting to £342 15s. 7d. as follows, that is to say—

Whereas, at a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held on the 20th day of February, 1885, at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, under and by virtue of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts for amending, extending, and varying the same, and the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, the said Board did issue their Precept under their Common Seal to the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench

of the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple, being one of the places mentioned in Schedule C to the said Act of 1855, and did thereby require them to pay to the London and Westminster Bank, No. 1, St. James's-square, in the City of Westminster, Treasurer and Banker of the said Metropolitan Board, in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, the sum of £342 15s. 7d., in manner following—that is to say—the sum of £171 7s. 9d., part thereof, on or before the 1st day of June, 1885, and the sum of £171 7s. 10d., residue thereof, on or before the 1st day of December, 1885, the said sum of £342 15s. 7d. being the amount by law chargeable upon the said Inner Temple for payment of principal and interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, and also for all other purposes of the Board to which the said Society is liable, as set forth in the said Precept: and which sum of £342 15s. 7d. the said Metropolitan Board did, on the 20th day of February, 1885, ascertain and assess upon the said Inner Temple, as a portion of the said Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, in pursuance of the provisions of the said Acts in that behalf. And whereas the said Precept was duly served upon the said Society, and the said Society have neglected and failed to pay the said sum of £342 15s. 7d. within the times and in the manner mentioned, and as required by the said Precept, and the said sum, and every part thereof, is still unpaid. And whereas it has been resolved at a Meeting of the said Board, held at their Office in Spring-gardens, in the said County of Middlesex, this day, that you, Joseph Smith, should be appointed to levy in the said Inner Temple, the said sum required by the said Metropolitan Board to be paid by the said Society in respect of the said Precept. Now, the said Metropolitan Board do, by this instrument, under their Common Seal, appoint you, the said Joseph Smith, in conformity with the said Resolution, to levy, forthwith, in the said Inner Temple, in accordance with the said Assessment and Precept, and in conformity with the said Acts, the said sum of £342 15s. 7d., mentioned in the said Precept, and required by this Board for the purposes aforesaid, and to levy, in addition to the said sum of £342 15s. 7d. all the expenses of, and incidental to, the preparing, making, collecting, and levying any Rate which may be made by you for the purpose of raising the said sum.

The Clerk laid before the Board the said Instrument of Appointment of the said Joseph Smith.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the said Instrument of Appointment be approved and adopted; that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that the same, when sealed, be delivered to the said Joseph Smith, as his appointment to levy the said sum mentioned in the said Precept, amounting to £342 15s. 7d. together with all the expenses of, and incidental to the preparing, making, collecting, and levying any Rate which may be made by him, for the purpose of raising the said sum; and the Seal of the Board was affixed to such Instrument of Appointment accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the said Joseph Smith do enter into a joint and several Bond, with one surety in the sum of £200, conditioned for faithfully levying the said amounts in Lincoln's-inn and the Inner Temple, and duly paying the same to the Treasurer and Banker of this Board.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the transfer of the sum of £2,400 from the Fire Brigade Capital Account to the Fire Brigade Working Account, in diminution of the amount advanced from the latter Account, under the Board's Resolution of the 27th November last, in respect of the cost of Steam-tugs, be approved.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the lists, now submitted, of the Loans sanctioned by the Board, and of the contributions granted in aid of Local Improvements, made up to the 31st December last, be printed and that they be circulated amongst the Members of the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Cheque for the sum of £8,273 2s. 1d., drawn on the 23rd December last on the General Capital Account, in favour of the London and Westminster Bank, *re* Metropolitan District Railway Company, be cancelled.

The said Cheque was thereupon cancelled accordingly.

5. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 11th January, 1886.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn the following Cheques—

<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account.</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Morgan (Battersea)—(33)—</i>							
Robinson, G. T.—							
96	Half-year's Rent of Nos. 1 to 6, Little Europa-place, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	...				6	1 10
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>							
<i>Re Simons and others (Charing-cross)—(34)—</i>							
Gamlen, Burdett and Woodhouse—							
8527	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	67	10	9		
<i>Re Spiller (Charing-cross)—(35)—</i>							
Spiller, James—							
8528	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 16, Denmark-street, No. 37, Crown-street, and Denmark-place...	...	400	-	-		
Buckland and Garrard—							
8529	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	11	11	-		
<i>Re Kempster (Southwark-bridge-road)—(36)—</i>							
Kempster, J.—							
8530	Half-year's Rent of No. 11, Queen-street, to Michaelmas, 1885 (less Tax)	...	12	3	9		
<i>Re E. Williams (Southwark-bridge-road)—(37)—</i>							
Coxwell, J. E.—							
8531	Rent of No. 25, Mint-street, from 13th August to 12th December, and of No. 27, Mint-street, from 24th June to 11th November, 1885	...	10	3	9		
<i>Re Foster (Southwark-bridge-road)—(38)—</i>							
Wood, Bird and Wood—							
8532	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	14	14	-		
<i>Re Tucker (Jamaica-road)—(39)—</i>							
Tucker Brothers—							
8533	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 221 and 223, Jamaica-road	...	£500	-	-		
8534	Trade compensation	...	1,525	-	-		
			2,025	-	-		
Fuller and Fuller—							
8535	Surveyors' Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	25	4	-		
	Carried forward	...	£2,566	7	3	6	1 10

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	2,566	7	3	6	1	10
Compensation for loss of business and removal, as per Orders of Committee—								
Cheesewright, W. (Piccadilly)—(40)—								
8536	No. 67, King-street...	...	15	-	-			
White, A. (Piccadilly)—(41)—								
8537	No. 67, King-street...	...	15	-	-			
Christen, Mrs. E. (Piccadilly)—(42)—								
8538	No. 32A, Greek-street	...	30	-	-			
Cameron, Mrs. J. (Charing-cross)—(43)—								
8539	No. 2, New Compton-street	...	15	-	-			
Day, W. (Charing-cross)—(44)—								
8540	No. 4, New Compton-street	...	20	-	-			
Minchenten, Mrs. (Charing-cross)—(45)—								
8541	No. 55, Crown-street	...	15	-	-			
						2,676	7	3

Streets (Act of 1883).

<i>Re</i> Mason's Trustees (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(46)—								
Brown, G., Son and Vardy—								
725	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, and of obtaining Order of Court as to sale	...	58	6	5			
<i>Re</i> Gardner (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(47)—								
Blount, Lynch and Petre—								
726	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	11	17	-			
<i>Re</i> Summers (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(48)—								
Cooke, W. C.—								
727	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	6	9	-			
<i>Re</i> Dennis (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(49)—								
Cooke, W. C.—								
728	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	15	11	6			
<i>Re</i> Ransom (Upper-street, Islington)—(50)—								
Ransom, Thomas Robert—								
729	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 288, Upper-street	...	650	-	-			
Reynolds and Eason—								
730	Surveyors' Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	15	15	-			
<i>Re</i> Salman (Little York-street, Bethnal-green)—(51)—								
Salman—								
731	Compensation for loss of business and removal from (No. 6 on Plan) Little York-street	...	12	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Dennis (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(52)—								
Manning, J. G.—								
732	Valuing stock and assistance on Trade claim	...	21	-	-			
						790	18	11

Hampstead Improvements.

<i>Re</i> City of London Brewery Co.—(53)—								
Bell, Stewards and May—								
259	Costs of enrolment of Conveyance	...	7	10	-			
	Carried forward	...	£7	10	-	3,473	8	-

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	7	10	—	3,473	8	—
<i>Re</i> Hodges—(54 and 55)—						
Comins, W. W.—						
260 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	10	9	10			
261 Proportion of Tenant's Rent of No. 5, Bradley's- buildings, from 3rd October to 23rd December, 1885 (less Tax), and proportion of Insurance premium	5	14	1			
<i>Re</i> Sir Spencer Wilson—(56)—						
Wilson, Sir S. M. M., per Bell, Stewards and May—						
262 Purchase-money for enfranchisement of No. 55, High-street	935	—	—			
				958	13	11
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>						
<i>Re</i> Thompson (Battersea)—(57)—						
Thompson, J. W. H.—						
1 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	36	5	5			
<i>Re</i> Holland (Battersea)—(58)—						
Holland, Edward—						
2 Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 32, Bridge-road	900	—	—			
Williams, A.—						
3 Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	17	17	—			
				954	2	5
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>						
<i>Re</i> Bookham (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(59)—						
Bristow, W.—						
5597 Costs of Arbitration	37	11	4			
<i>Re</i> Wagstaff (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(60)—						
Wilson, Bristows and Carpmael—						
5598 Costs of Arbitration... ..	32	18	—			
<i>Re</i> Marshall (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(61)—						
Turner, G.—						
5599 Costs of Arbitration	19	19	—			
<i>Re</i> London Labourers' Dwellings Society, Limited (Wind- mill-row)—(62)—						
Howse, F.—						
5600 Costs of Arbitration, and of Title and Conveyance	44	19	4			
<i>Re</i> Webb (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(63)—						
Pendergast, J.—						
5601 Costs of Arbitration... ..	6	6	—			
<i>Re</i> Lea (Windmill-row)—(64)—						
Howse, F.—						
5602 Costs of Arbitration... ..	22	10	—			
<i>Re</i> Briggs' Trustees (Windmill-row)—(65)—						
Dawes and Son—						
5603 Proportion of Rent, less ground-rent, of Nos. 4 to 8, Windmill-row, and Nos. 7 to 10, Little Windmill-street, from Michaelmas to 9th December, 1885 (less Tax)	5	14	3			
Carried forward	£169	17	11	5,386	4	4

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	169	17	11	5,386	4	4
<i>Re</i> Ostermeyer (Tench-street)—(66)—									
Turner, Geo.—									
5604	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	...	5	14	2			
<i>Re</i> Brewster (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(67)—									
Todd, Dennes and Lamb—									
5605	Costs of Arbitration...	...	...	22	16	8			
<i>Re</i> Chapple (Tench-street)—(68)—									
Newbon, Harrison and Co.—									
5606	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	...	35	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Beavers (Tench-street)—(69)—									
Beavers, Mrs. A.—									
5607	Compensation in respect of Tenancy in No. 12, Lower Gun-alley	...	...	25	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Walton (Tench-street)—(70)—									
Maud, J. and W.—									
5608	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	23	9	-			
<i>Re</i> Harmsworth (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(71 and 72)—									
Harmsworth, E. R.—									
5609	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 1 to 10, College-buildings	...	...	216	-	-			
Todd, Dennes and Lamb—									
5610	Costs of Arbitration...	...	...	29	4	10			
<i>Re</i> Knight (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(73 and 74)—									
Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 7 to 9, Lower East-street, and Nos. 1 to 6, East-place—									
5611	Ashmole, Mrs. Eliza, and Dinn, Fred. Harrison	...	...	£400	-	-			
5612	Knight, Wm. ...	...	...	535	-	-			
				935	-	-			
Courtenay, Croome, Son and Finch—									
5613	Costs of Arbitration...	...	...	43	16	10			
<i>Re</i> Smallwood (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(75)—									
Ingle, Cooper and Holmes—									
5614	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	44	8	6			
							1,550	17	11
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>									
<i>Re</i> Simons and others (Charing-cross)—(76)—									
Gamlen, Burdett and Woodhouse—									
1506	Proportion of Rent, less ground-rent, of Nos. 5 and 6, Hemming's-row, from Michaelmas to 21st December, 1885 (less Tax)	...	...	27	16	2			
<i>Re</i> Bastow (Southwark-bridge-road)—(77)—									
Hawks, Stokes and McKewan—									
1507	One-quarter's Rent of building ground at corner of Mint-street and King-street, to Midsummer, 1885 (less Tax)...	...	...	2	10	4			
	Carried forward	...	...	£30	6	6	6,937	2	3

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	30	6	6	6,937	2	3
<i>Re</i> Mason's Trustees (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(78)—								
Brown, G., Son and Vardy—								
1508	Proportion of Rent of Nos. 53, 55, 57 and 59,							
	Green-street, from Lady-day to 15th October,							
	1885 (less Tax)...	...	6	6	8			
<i>Re</i> Watkins' Executors (Bermondsey)—(79)—								
Balls, W. H.—								
1509	One-quarter's Rent of No. 8, Bermondsey-square,							
	to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax), and proportion							
	of Insurance premium	...	6	14	5			
						43	7	7
						£6,980	9	10

Your Committee have also drawn Cheques as follows in lieu of Cheques cancelled in consequence of having been in hand longer than Three months—

Streets (Act of 1877).

<i>Re</i> London and County Bank (Piccadilly)—(1994—1885)—								
8542	London and County Banking Company,	...						
	Limited	...	£710	-	-			
8543	Hodson, William	...	740	-	-			
8544	Fletcher, B.	...	22	1	-			
						£1,472	1	-

On the 29th June, 1883 (No. 9), it was referred to your Committee to consider the question of establishing additional Fire-alarm circuits referred to in the Report of the Fire Brigade Committee presented on that day. The subject was disposed of by the Board on the 27th November last, on a Report by the Fire Brigade Committee, and it is therefore unnecessary for your Committee to proceed further on the reference, which they recommend the Board to discharge.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 13th November last (No. 39), from the Hackney District Board, referring to previous correspondence relative to the construction of the new Bridge over the River Lee, at Temple-mills; stating that the whole of the works had been completed at a cost of £4,257 5s. 2d., and that the District Board were of opinion that it was a Metropolitan Improvement; and asking the Board to re-consider their decision to contribute £1,500, and to increase that amount to a moiety (£2,128 12s. 6d.) of the cost of the work. On the 8th August, 1884, your Committee presented a Report to the Board upon an application which had been made by the District Board, for the payment of the promised contribution of £1,500 in respect of the cost of the construction of the said Bridge and of other works. Your Committee recommended that the District Board should be required to strengthen the Bridge in the manner advised by your Engineer, so that it might be made efficient for the expected traffic over it. The Board adopted the recommendation, and the District Board have executed the strengthening works required. Your Committee have ascertained from your Engineer that the whole of the works of the Bridge have been satisfactorily completed at a cost, the District Board state, of £4,257 5s. 2d., and they ask the Board to increase their promised contribution of £1,500 to £2,128 12s. 7d., being a moiety of the actual cost. This seems to your Committee reasonable, under the circumstances, and they recommend—

That the Board do grant an additional contribution of £628, subject to the Accountant's Certificate as to the actual cost of the works.

Your Committee have further to report that, under the authority given to them by the Board on Friday last, they have accepted the following Tenders, having received Reports from the Officers as ordered by the Board—

For caustic soda—Messrs. Knight, Hill and Co., at £6 5s. per ton.

For manganate of soda—Messrs. C. Tennant, Sons and Co., at £11 per ton.

For sulphuric acid—Messrs. Sadler and Co., Limited, at £1 15s. per ton.

Your Committee have also to state, for the information of the Board, that they have accepted an offer by Messrs. Christopherson to sell to the Board, at £11 per ton, about 20 tons of manganate of soda which they have on hand.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on Friday last (No. 4), from the Vestry of St. Pancras, asking the Board to re-consider the question of granting a contribution towards the cost of an Improvement carried out by the Vestry in Kentish-town-road. On the 27th November last, on the recommendation of your Committee, the Board decided to inform the Vestry that the work having been executed before the application was made, the Board were precluded by their General Order with regard to Local Improvements, from entertaining the request. On further consideration your Committee are unable to advise the Board to depart from that decision, and they recommend—

That the Vestry be so informed.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
A. EWIN.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the reference made to the Committee by the Board on the 29th June, 1883 (No. 9), of the question as to the establishing of additional Fire-alarm circuits, be discharged.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to a Certificate by the Accountant to the Finance Committee, an additional sum of £628 be contributed by the Board, towards the cost of the construction, by the Hackney District Board, of the new Bridge over the River Lee, at Temple Mills.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Tenders for the supply of Caustic Soda, Manganate of Soda and Sulphuric Acid, be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of St. Pancras be informed, in reply to their Letter asking the Board to re-consider the question of granting a contribution towards the cost of an Improvement in Kentish-town-road, carried out by the Vestry, that the Board are unable to depart from their previous decision on the subject.

6. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 5th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.

DATE.	APPLICATION.
2nd May, 1881.	Greenwich District Board, for re-numbering certain streets in the District.
30th December, 1884.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-numbering certain streets in the Parish.
11th December, 1885.	Mr. G. L. Wingate, that the Board will not insist upon the premises numbered as 66A, Great Russell-street being numbered as 22, Bury-street.

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the houses on the Eastern side of Clifton-road or hill, New-cross-road, Deptford, be re-numbered with even numbers, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be named “Clifton-hill, S.E.”

That the subsidiary name in Woodpecker-lane or road, Deptford, be abolished, that the houses be re-numbered, where necessary, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be named “Woodpecker-road, S.E.”

That the houses in Abinger-road, Deptford, and so much of Wotton-road as is in line therewith, be re-numbered, and that the whole line of thoroughfare, from Evelyn-street to the Railway, be named “Abinger-road, S.E.”

That the houses and premises in Crawley-mews, Seymour-street, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Diara-place, Euston-road, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That certain houses at the Western end of Euston-street, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That the houses and premises in Grafton-mews, Tottenham-court-road, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Hampden-street, Clarendon-square, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That Mr. Wingate and the St. Giles District Board be informed that, under the circumstances stated in Mr. Wingate's Letter of the 11th December, 1885, the Board will not insist upon the premises numbered and described as 66A, Great Russell-street being numbered and described as 22, Bury-street.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
W. R. SELWAY,
WM. SHEPHERD,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises on the Eastern side of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Clifton-road or Clifton-hill, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 80, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,611, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the name Clifton-road, and any other name or names now in use in Clifton-road or Clifton-hill, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Clifton-hill, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Woodpecker-lane or Woodpecker-road, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the Counties of Surrey and Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,612, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 131, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 142, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Woodpecker-lane, Clifton-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Woodpecker-lane or Woodpecker-road, and the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Woodpecker-road, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Abinger-road and so much of Wotton-road as is in line therewith, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,613, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 77, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 84, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Wotton-road (as above defined), Abinger-terrace and Vincent-terrace, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare from Evelyn-street to the Railway be called “Abinger-road, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Crawley-mews, Seymour-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 16, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,614, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished; that the whole be called “Crawley-mews, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Diana-place, Euston-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with

13, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,615, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the existing irregular numbers, be abolished; that the whole be called "Diana-place, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, certain houses and premises on the Northern side of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Euston-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with even numbers, commencing with 84 and ending with 102, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,616, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that certain of the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Grafton-mews, Tottenham-court-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,617, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 23, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 22, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Grafton-mews, W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Hampden-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,618, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 39, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 52, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Hampden-street, W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and **resolved**—That Mr. Wingate and the St. Giles District Board be informed that, under the circumstances stated in Mr. Wingate's Letter of the 11th December last, the Board will not insist

upon the premises numbered and described as 66A, Great Russell-street being numbered and described as 22, Bury-street.

7. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 12th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under their instructions, the Board were represented at the Annual Special Sessions held in the several Licensing Divisions of the Metropolis during the months of October, November and December last for the purpose of licensing Slaughterhouses, and that the necessary information was submitted to the Justices as to the sanitary condition of the premises, and as to the conduct of the businesses. 775 Slaughterhouses were licensed at those Sessions in the whole of the Metropolis, and there were 17 premises which had been previously licensed as Slaughterhouses, but for which the Licenses were not renewed. No new Licenses were granted. The number of private Slaughterhouses in the Metropolis at the date when the Slaughterhouses Act, 1874, came into operation was 1,429, and as the number now licensed is only 775, the reduction which has taken place since Slaughterhouses were placed under the Board's jurisdiction amounts to about 45 per cent.

Your Committee have further to report that proceedings have been taken against Frederick Noakes, of No. 186, New-road, Battersea, for disposing of Fireworks which had been seized by one of the Board's Inspectors, and that he was fined 50s. and 2s. costs.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mrs. S. V. James, for registration for the keeping of Infants at No. 31, Boscobel-gardens, Alpha-road, St. Marylebone. Mrs. James has previously been granted registration for other premises, and having regard to the accommodation provided at those she now occupies, your Committee see no objection to her being granted registration for the keeping of two Infants. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the application of Mrs. S. V. James, for registration under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 31, Boscobel-gardens, Alpha-road, St. Marylebone, be granted, and that the Board do make a Bye-law, fixing two as the number of Infants allowed to be kept.

Your Committee have further to report that proceedings have been taken against the following persons for keeping Infants upon unregistered premises—

Charlotte Jackson, of No. 14, Pear-tree-street, Waterloo-road, who was fined 20s. and 2s. costs.

Hannah Dagworthy, of No. 10, Campden-street, Kensington, who was fined 5s. and 2s. costs.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mr. Alfred Pinnock for the renewal of his License for the keeping of Petroleum at No. 2, Landseer-road, Islington. The arrangements for storage continue satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That a License be granted to Mr. Alfred Pinnock, for a period of 12 months from the 15th instant, to keep 100 gallons of Petroleum at No. 2, Landseer-road, Islington, in accordance with the terms of the draft License submitted.

Your Committee also submit a list of 99 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and they recommend—

That in 85 cases Licenses be granted to keep quantities not exceeding 10 gallons at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91; that in 4 cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum in stores situated and constructed in accordance with

License No. 90; and that in 10 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum in the manner described in such Licenses.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
F. M. WENBORN,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
FRED. INGOLDBY.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mrs. S. V. James be registered under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 31, Boscobel-gardens, Alpha-road, St. Marylebone, and that the Board do hereby make a Bye-law, fixing two as the number of Infants allowed to be kept at such premises.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That a License be granted to Mr. Alfred Pinnock, for a period of Twelve months from this date, to keep 100 gallons of Petroleum at No. 2, Landseer-road, Islington, in accordance with the terms of the draft License now submitted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the Ninety-nine persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

8. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, Executive Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1878, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 12th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that at the Special Sessions recently held for considering applications for the renewal of Cowhouse Licenses in the several Licensing Divisions into which the Metropolis is divided, representatives attended on behalf of the Board, in accordance with the instructions of your Committee, to urge any necessary objections, and for various reasons the Licenses to 42 Cowhouses were not renewed. There were five new Licenses issued in respect of premises which had been certified by the Board as being in accordance with their Regulations under the Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order of July, 1879, so that the reduction made in the number of Cowhouses during the Sessions was 37. The number of licensed Cowshed premises now in the Metropolis is 812.

In view of the prevalence of Glanders and Farcy among horses in the Metropolis, your Committee have had under consideration the desirability of taking further measures for the detection of outbreaks, and for the prevention of the spread of those diseases. It has for some time been the practice, on the North side of the Thames, for Mr. Shaw, one of the Board's Veterinary Inspectors to make a daily inspection of the premises of the licensed Horse Slaughterers, and that daily inspection has been found of such value in the detection of cases of disease and of infringements of the Act, that your Committee have considered it advisable to extend the system to the remaining licensed premises in the Metropolis. In order to enable the inspection to be made daily on the South side of the Thames in the same way as is now done on the North side, your Committee have considered it desirable to make some alterations in the existing area of

the Districts assigned to three of the Board's Veterinary Inspectors, and to arrange a new District to include the three Horse Slaughterers' premises which are on the South side. To this newly formed District they have appointed Mr. C. J. Humphrey, a duly qualified Veterinary Surgeon, who has undertaken to make the necessary daily inspections, and to carry out the other duties of a Veterinary Inspector under the Act necessary in the District.

Your Committee have to report that proceedings have been taken against the following persons—

Mrs. Susannah Weston, No. 32, Octavius-street, Deptford, who was fined 5s. and 2s. costs, for keeping cows on unlicensed premises.

Mr. Timothy Brosnan, Norman Farm, Fulham, who was fined 40s. and 28s. costs, for neglect to give notice of an outbreak of Glanders.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the claims of 11 owners in respect of 25 animals slaughtered in consequence of having been affected with Pleuropneumonia, and that they have awarded sums, amounting to £387 as compensation for such animals. The sum of £153 9s. 4d. has been received for the carcasses, hides, &c., of the animals, leaving the net cost to the Board of £233 10s. 8d.

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the claims of two owners in respect of 117 swine slaughtered in consequence of having been affected with Swine (Typhoid) Fever, and of 58 unaffected Swine which had been in contact with them, and that they have awarded sums, amounting to £146 5s. as compensation for such animals. A Statement of the amounts awarded has been forwarded to the Finance Committee for payment.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
F. M. WENBORN,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
FRED. INGOLDBY.

The Report having been read,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be received.

9. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 13th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that new flagstones are required at seven of the entrance-gates to the Chelsea Embankment gardens, and that slight repairs are needed to the boundary fence of the Gardens. The cost of the works is estimated at £12, and your Committee recommend—

That they be executed.

Your Committee having placed keepers to take charge of Highbury-fields on behalf of the Board, and it is necessary that some shelter should be provided for persons so employed. Your Committee recommend—

That a watch-box of a similar description to those in use on other Open Spaces under the control of the Board, be obtained and placed on Highbury-fields, at an estimated cost of £35.

As the Board are aware, the Act which placed Streatham-common under their control provides that a small portion of the Common shall be reserved exclusively for the matches of "local cricket clubs" who shall obtain from the Board the necessary permission prior to the 1st of February in each year. Your Committee have had before them applications for the ground from the Streatham Albion, Streatham United, Streatham Postmen's,

Streatham School, and Immanuel College Cricket Clubs; and having satisfied themselves that all these Clubs come under the definition of "local cricket clubs," they beg to recommend—

That permission be given to those Clubs to use the ground during the season of 1886.

Your Committee beg to submit a Plan herewith, showing in red colour, two paths which are required on Goose-green, for the convenience of the public. The Vestry of Camberwell are prepared to maintain the paths if they are made by the Board, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That the paths be formed with hard core and gravel, at an estimated cost of £55.

Under the authority conferred on them by the Board, on the 13th June, 1873 (No. 13) your Committee have authorised the purchase of ropes, screws, and similar articles for use in Finsbury-park; wall nails for the Victoria Embankment-gardens, and drain-pipes and tenter-hooks, for use on Hampstead-heath. They have also directed the repair of the roof of the pay-office in Finsbury-park, and the jets of the fountain in Leicester-square, and that some taps and bass brooms, be obtained for use in Southwark-park, and some planks and boarding for Blackheath. Your Committee have likewise authorised a new stove-pipe to be supplied and fitted in the watch-box on Shepherd's-bush-common, and that an additional opening be made in the fencing at that place, together with some repairs to the lodges on the Tooting Commons, and the purchase made of some new furniture for the watch-box on Stoke Newington-common, and burnt ballast for Highbury-fields.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. E. BRADFELD,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Plan submitted with the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That new flagstones be provided at seven of the entrance-gates to the Chelsea Embankment-gardens, and that the fencing adjoining be repaired, where necessary, at a total estimated cost of £12.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That a watch-box, of a similar description to those in use on other Open Spaces under the control of the Board, be obtained for use on Highbury-fields, at an estimated cost of £35.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That permission be given to the Streatham Albion, the Streatham United, the Streatham Postmen's, the Streatham School, and the Immanuel College Cricket Clubs, they being "local cricket clubs" of Streatham, as defined by the Act, to use the reserved Cricket-ground on Streatham-common during the season of 1886, and that the cost of maintaining the ground be apportioned at the close of the season between the said clubs.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the two paths on Goose-green, shown by red colour on the Plan now submitted, be formed with hard core and gravel, at an estimated cost of £55.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in their Report, be approved.

10. Mr. Shepherd, the Chairman of the Bridges Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BRIDGES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 13th January, 1886.

Your Committee beg to report that they have considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, referred to them on the 11th December last (No. 3), suggesting that the approaches to the new Putney Bridge, particularly the approaches on

15 January, 1886.

the West side leading towards Lower Richmond-road, should be widened to 50 feet. Your Committee recommend—

That the District Board be informed, in reply, that at present the Board do not consider it desirable to make any alteration in the width of the approaches to the Bridge.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

W^M. SHEPHERD,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEO. EDWARDS,
F. H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and resolved—That the Wandsworth District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter suggesting that the approaches to new Putney Bridge, particularly the approach on the West side leading towards Lower Richmond-road, should be widened to 50 feet, that at present the Board do not consider it desirable to make any alteration in the width of the approaches.

11. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 13th January, 1886.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Bills deposited for introduction into Parliament by the East London Water Company, the Lambeth Water Company, and the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company. The East London and the Southwark and Vauxhall Companies propose to carry out certain works, the greater part of which will, however, be outside the Metropolitan area. All three Companies apply for power to raise additional capital by the issue of debenture stock, the East London Company proposing to raise £300,000, the Lambeth Company £150,000, and the Southwark and Vauxhall Company £250,000. Last year, when the Southwark and Vauxhall Company was before Parliament with a Bill which contained a Clause authorising the raising of additional capital, which Bill was eventually withdrawn, the Board appeared before the Select Committee of the House of Lords, and asked that the Company might be placed under certain conditions. One of the conditions proposed was that no new capital should be raised except by way of auction or public tender, and to this should be added that premiums obtained should not bear interest, but should be expended on works, or in the purchase of ordinary share capital; another was that the power now possessed by the Companies of paying back dividends should be limited to three years; and another, that the profit obtained by the issue of new debenture stock should go to the holder only to the extent of the interest borne by his debenture, and that the residue should be applied to the purchase of stock. Your Committee are of opinion that the same points, with any others, which, upon further examination of the Bills, may appear to call for special notice, should be urged upon the attention of Parliament this year; and with this view your Committee recommend—

That Petitions be presented against the three Bills

Your Committee will have to consider what steps shall be taken to support the Petitions against the three Water Bills above referred to, and the mention of this suggests the preliminary question, whether the Board has clear statutory authority to incur whatever expenditure may be necessary for the purpose. The Auditor of the Board's Accounts takes, as is well known, the view that the Board's powers in this respect are somewhat more restricted than the Board itself has generally considered them to be, and the fact that a question has been raised by the Auditor, upon the Accounts of last year, makes it needful for the Board to give special attention to this point. The proper course seems to be to

ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department to consider the Board's position, and to give his advice and assistance. Water, Gas and other Companies are nearly every year applying to Parliament for powers which affect in various ways the interests of the people of London as ratepayers, or as Water and Gas Consumers; and past experience shows that if those interests are to be properly protected, some authority must examine the Bills affecting them which are submitted to Parliament, and where necessary must petition and appear in opposition to such Bills, employing Counsel, producing evidence to show in what respects they might be prejudicial to the public. The Board has never shrunk from the performance of this task, but after it has been fulfilled the Board finds itself subjected to a close and minute scrutiny of its strict technical right to incur the expenditure which the fulfilment of the duty has involved, the scrutiny occasionally resulting in a decision by the Auditor, that he is not satisfied that such right exists. It is difficult for the Board to adequately discharge its duty to the public under such conditions, and yet the public interests would undoubtedly suffer, if a technical flaw in the Board's title to spend money in opposing a particular Bill were to restrain the Board from taking the course which the public interests require. The records of the Board, and even the proceedings in Parliament, afford abundant proof that the Board is expected by the Government, the Legislature, and the public, to appear and protect the public interests as affected by Bills promoted by Water, Gas, and other Companies, and the fact that the Board is hampered by questions raised as to its statutory power for this purpose is not realised. The Board has occasionally, when there has appeared special reason to doubt its strict technical right to spend money in opposing a Bill or appearing upon an inquiry, stated the case to the Home Secretary or the Treasury, and has always received a ready promise of assistance. This has resulted in the insertion in the Board's Money Act of the year of a clause legalising the past or prospective expenditure for the particular purpose mentioned. Thus, in the Money Act of 1880, the Board was specifically empowered to pay the expenses incurred by it in connection with the proceedings of the Select Committee on London Water Supply of that year. In the Money Act of 1881, it was empowered to pay the expenses of opposing the East London Water Bill of that year, and also the expenses of any inquiry that might be made with respect to Markets. This latter power was renewed in the Money Act of 1882. It appears to your Committee that if the Board's position is explained to the Secretary of State, and if the necessity is pointed out to him of the public interests being protected in connection with the three Water Bills about to be brought before Parliament, he will be ready, as he has been before, to support the Board in its endeavours to protect the interests of the public. It may probably be thought by the Home Secretary and the Treasury, that the most convenient method of giving the assistance required will be to consent to a Clause in the Money Bill of this year, empowering the Board to pay the expenses incurred in connection with the Bills referred to; and in that case it would be well so to frame the Clause as to make it clear that it is both the right and the duty of the Board to incur such expenditure as may be necessary in opposing both the present Water Bills, and any future Bills affecting the interests of the Metropolis, where such opposition may be deemed expedient. Your Committee recommend—

That a communication, based upon this Report, be addressed to the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Your Committee have considered the Notice given to the Board by the Clerk of the Hackney District Board, of the intention of that body to apply to Parliament for an Act to authorise the construction of a Sewer and other works for preventing the discharge into the River Lee of effluent water or sewage by the Tottenham Local Board of Health, the Notice, and the Bill which accompanied it, having been referred by the Board on the 23rd December last (No. 32). The object of the Bill is to obtain the sanction of Parliament to an arrangement suggested to the Board by the Hackney District Board in October last, according to which a junction was to be formed between the main

Tottenham Sewer and the Board's Hackney-marsh Sewer at Spring-hill, Upper Clapton, so that the Sewage of Tottenham might pass into the Metropolitan system. The Works and General Purposes Committee reported upon this proposal on the 20th November last, and stated that it was not within the Board's statutory power to allow the Sewage of Tottenham to pass into the Metropolitan Sewers, and that there were many grave reasons why it was inexpedient to propose to the Legislature such a temporary and imperfect remedy for the evils complained of by the inhabitants of Hackney. The reasons then referred to retain all their force; and, as the Board considered it inexpedient to propose such an arrangement to Parliament, it seems equally expedient that the Board should resist the proposal when made by the Hackney District Board. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That a Petition be presented against the Lee River Purification Bill, deposited by the Hackney District Board.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to a Bill, in which the Trustees of the Charterhouse apply for power to appropriate a further portion of their property for general building purposes. The Charterhouse is, as the Board is aware, an extra-parochial place, and as such is exempt from the general local rates. The Board some years ago promoted unsuccessfully in Parliament a Bill, by which it was proposed to take away the exemption enjoyed by extra-parochial places in London. The Clerk of the Holborn District Board, whose District adjoins the Charterhouse, wishes to know whether the Board can take action upon the present Bill with a view to securing that the Charterhouse property to be let for building shall be liable to the local rates. Your Solicitor, however, is of opinion that the Board has no power to oppose the Bill on this ground, and your Committee, therefore, feel unable to recommend the Board to petition against the Bill.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Fowler—That Petitions be presented against the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company's Bill, the Lambeth Water Company's Bill, and the East London Water Company's Bill.

After discussion the *motion* was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Fowler, and *resolved*—That a communication be addressed to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pointing out the desirability of the interests of the London Water consumers being represented when the Bills mentioned in the foregoing Resolution are considered, and asking whether, as the Board is the only representative authority to which the consumers and the ratepayers can look for the protection of their interests, he will assist the Board in obtaining a legislative declaration that it is the duty of the Board to incur such expenditure as may be necessary in opposing those and future Bills affecting the interests of the Metropolis, where such opposition may be deemed expedient.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Fowler—That a Petition be presented against the Lee River Purification Bill deposited by the Hackney District Board.

The *motion* having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That so much of the Report of the Committee as relates to the Charterhouse Bill be approved.

The Clerk laid before the Board a Letter from Mr. Hopwood, Clerk to the Holborn District Board, dated 12th January, 1886, relative to the said Bill, and asking this Board to take such steps as they might think proper to secure the land being retained as an open space or recreation ground for the public, and transmitting a copy of the Report of the Medical Officer of Health of the District on the subject.

An amendment was then *moved* by Mr. Phillips, and seconded by Mr. Robson—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report, and that the Letter from the Holborn District Board be also referred to the Committee for consideration in connection therewith.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and having been put as an *original motion*, it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th January, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.	
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.		
ISLINGTON.					
Liverpool-road and Barnsbury-park	270 300 500	3' 9" + 2' 6" 15-inch 12 "	1 brick pipe "	} Recommended as applied for.	
FULHAM.					
Shorrolds, Lynn, Thorpe, Fincham, and Milton Roads, Thornton Estate, Walham-green	2,893	12-inch	pipe		
ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.					
Surrey-buildings	396	12-inch	pipe	Recommended as applied for.	

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th January, 1886, on a Letter from Messrs. Nowell and Robson, asking that they might be allowed an additional four months for completing the works comprised in their Contract with the Board for the construction of the Queen's-road, &c., Dalston Sewer; stating that, according to the terms of the Contract the works should be completed within twelve months from the date of his (the Engineer's) order to commence the same, i.e., by the 2nd of March next; that the Contractors had, however, encountered serious difficulties in the prosecution of the works, owing to the extremely bad ground passed through, and the large quantities of water met with in considerable sections of it, and recommending, having regard to all the circumstances, that he (the Engineer) should be authorised to extend the time for the completion of the works to the 2nd of July next.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Engineer be authorised accordingly.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. H. E. Jones, Engineer and General Manager to the Commercial Gas Company, relative to the projection above the shore level of the "Frying-pan" Sewer outlet, fronting the Company's New Crane Wharf, at Wapping; stating that since the receipt of the Letter the outlet referred to had been examined, and that Mr. Jones had been seen with reference

to it; that it appeared that for the purposes of the Company's business, they desired to extend their barge beds, and that in connection with that it would also be necessary to extend the 3 feet iron pipes forming the outlet about 50 feet further on the foreshore; that he (the Engineer) saw no objection to the outlet being so extended, but that the works should be done by, and at the cost of the Company, and under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the proper Officers of the Board, and that the detailed Plans of the works should also be first submitted for the Board's approval, and recommending that Mr. Jones should be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th January, 1886, on a Memorandum furnished by the Surveyor of the Vestry of Saint George-in-the-East, relative to the occasional flooding of the basements of the houses, Nos. 29 to 34, Old Gravel-lane; stating that the drains of the houses were connected with an old main Sewer under the charge of the Board, called the Pennington-street Sewer, which ran along Old Gravel-lane, and was much overcharged during heavy rains; that it appeared that relief might be afforded to the houses referred to by the construction of a 12-inch pipe Sewer to take their drainage into the Low Level Branch Sewer which ran along the same line of street under the Pennington-street Sewer; that the work was, however, a local one which should be carried out by the Vestry, and recommending that the Surveyor should be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th January, 1886, on Letters from Mr. M. Collins, No. 28, Old Broad-street, Bloomsbury, applying for compensation for alleged loss of business sustained by him from the execution of the Board's works in connection with the Piccadilly to Oxford-street Improvement; stating that in carrying out the works care had been taken to put Mr. Collins and his neighbours to as little inconvenience as possible, consistent with the proper execution of the works; that the Board had invariably declined to admit their liability for that description of claim, and recommending that the present one should be similarly dealt with.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that Mr. Collins be informed accordingly.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th January, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal were required for use at the Crossness Pumping Station—

	ESTIMATE.			
30 Tons of Wallsend Coal	...	...	...	£27 15 0
100 Tons of New Pelton Gas Coal	...	...	...	79 11 8
300 Tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	276 5 0
1,000 Tons of Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	704 3 4
Total	...	...	...	<u>£1,087 15 0</u>

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th January, 1886, recommending the execution, under the General Contract, of the following works at the Crossness Pumping Station—

	ESTIMATE.			
Repairs to the Blacksmith's shop and the School-room	...	...	...	£50 0 0
Cleaning and painting the ironwork in the Workshops	...	...	...	30 0 0
Repairs as required to Reservoir	...	...	...	200 0 0
Total	...	...	...	<u>£280 0 0</u>

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th January, 1886, stating that it being necessary to shore up and temporarily secure some arches at the Barking Reservoir, he (the Engineer) had put the work in hand, as a matter of emergency, and that the estimated cost of the works was £150, and asking the Board to sanction the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the course taken by the Engineer be approved, and that the cost of the works be charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th January, 1886, stating that, on the 1st November, 1878 (No. 25), he had reported to the Board that a settlement had taken place in the North-West wall of the Barking Reservoir, and had recommended that it should be temporarily shored up until the then contemplated enlargement of the Reservoir had been effected, which would permanently secure and prevent any further subsidence in the old portion of the Reservoir; that the temporary shoring had been carried out, pursuant to the direction of the Board, but that the permanent work then proposed had been from time to time postponed, and that there had, consequently, been some further settlement recently, that he had given directions for some additional shoring to be put in, but that it was desirable that the enlargement of the Reservoir should be commenced as speedily as possible to prevent the more serious subsidence of that portion of the structure.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th January, 1886, recommending that the new line of street from Piccadilly-circus to New Oxford-street should be now formally transferred to the charge of the several Local Authorities through whose respective areas of jurisdiction it passed, and that the Clerk should communicate with those authorities, namely, the Vestries of Saint James, Westminster, Saint Anne, Soho (Strand District Board), and Saint Giles-in-the-Fields, and Saint George's, Bloomsbury (Saint Giles District Board), accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

22. The Solicitor reported that the time for presenting Memorials against the Board's (Various Powers) Bill, 1886, on Standing Orders had expired, and that no Memorial had been lodged.
23. The Solicitor submitted a list of Memorials which had been presented against Bills in the first hundred on the list of Petitions for Private Bills, and which complained of non-compliance with Standing Orders.
24. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Duplicate of the Conveyance to the Board by Mr. A. P. Oldershaw, of leasehold interest in premises, No. 302, Upper-street, Islington (Upper-street, Islington, Improvement).

Agreement, in triplicate, between Mr. G. S. Benham, Mr. R. E. Gillingwater and the Board, for apportionment of rent in respect of Nos. 167 and 168, Upper-street, and premises at the rear (Upper-street, Islington, Improvement).

Conveyance to the Board by Mrs. M. Mason, and others (Trustees of the Will of Mr. T. Mason), of Nos. 53, 55, 57 and 59, Green-street, Bethnal-green, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Green-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement).

15 January, 1886.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

25. The Solicitor read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department,
15th January, 1886.

THE BOARD *v.* HUMPHREYS.

The Board is aware that Mr. Humphreys was convicted in penalties amounting to £125, and ordered to pay £25 for costs in respect of keeping open Humphreys' Hall, Knightsbridge, without the Certificate of the Board.

Correspondence has since taken place between myself and Mr. Humphreys and his advisers, in which I stated that if Mr. Humphreys would close the Hall the Board would be prepared to consider any application for a Certificate; and by order of the Theatres Sub-Committee last Tuesday, I addressed the following Letter to Messrs. Van Sandau, Cumming and Co., Mr. Humphreys' Solicitors—

12th January, 1886.

HUMPHREYS' HALL.

DEAR SIRs,—I have had an opportunity of submitting your Letter of yesterday's date to the Sub-Committee of the Board upon Theatres, and I am directed to express their regret that your client still continues to keep open Humphreys' Hall, Knightsbridge, without the Certificate of the Board, and contrary to the provisions of the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878.

I am instructed to inform you that the Board insist upon the Hall being closed until the proper Certificate has been obtained, and I am directed to report to the Board on Friday next, at noon, whether your client has complied with this requirement, and if not, the Board will consider that it is at liberty, without further notice, to take all such steps as may appear necessary to enforce the provisions of the Act of Parliament.

I will ask you to communicate at once with your client, and I hope to hear before 12 o'clock on Friday next that the Hall is closed.

I remain, dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) REGINALD WARD,
Solicitor.

Messrs Van Sandau, Cumming and Co.

And to that Letter I have received the following reply—

13, King-street, Cheapside, London, E.C.,
January 13, 1886.

HUMPHREYS' HALL.

DEAR SIR,—We beg to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of yesterday's date, and, as desired, we have communicated the contents to our Client.

We have also communicated the Board's requirements to Mr. Humphreys' tenants, viz., the Japanese Native Village and Trading Company, Limited, and Messrs. Spiers and Pond, Limited, and wait their reply.

We are,

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) VAN SANDAU AND CO.

The Solicitor,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

I have also received a communication from the Clerk to the Westminster Police-court, stating that Mr. Humphreys has paid the amount of the penalties and costs.

I believe Mr. Vulliamy will inform the Board that the Hall has not been closed.

I have a Letter from Messrs. Spiers and Pond, stating that in consequence of the proceedings in the Police-court they have closed their Restaurant.

Other communications have also reached me to-day.

(Signed) REGINALD WARD,
Solicitor.

The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Spiers and Pond, Limited, dated 14th January, 1886, stating that, as the Restaurant in their occupation at Humphrey's

Hall, was by reason of its entrance doors, one of the elements of objection which the Board entertained to the Hall, they had voluntarily closed the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Ewin, and *resolved*—That the said Report and Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

26. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 8th instant (No. 6), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

St. George's-road, Tufnell-park	...	...	...	Islington.
Albany-place, Redhill-street	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
Augusta-street, Harmood-street	...	...	...	do.
Cumberland-street, Goodge-street	...	...	...	do.
Cumberland-street, West, Albany-street	...	...	...	do.
Greenland-grove, Cromer-street	...	...	...	do.
Hawley-road, West, Chalk-farm-road	...	...	...	do.
Henry-street, Hampstead-road	...	...	...	do.
Modbury-terrace, Malden-road	...	...	...	do.
Pleasant-row, Highgate-road	...	...	...	do.
Prince of Wales-avenue, Malden-road	...	...	...	do.
Princess-terrace, St. Mark's-square	...	...	...	do.
Sion-terrace, Brighton-street	...	...	...	do.
Torriano-yard (Ward No. 1)	...	...	...	do.
Whitefield-street, Malden-road	...	...	...	do.
St. Margaret's-terrace, &c.	...	...	...	Westmins
Bessborough-place, &c.	...	...	...	do.
Blue Anchor-court	...	...	...	do.
Carey-place, &c.	...	...	...	do.
Ennismore-mews	...	...	...	do.
St. Ann's-lane	...	...	...	do.
Vincent-place	...	...	...	do.
No. 52, Vincent-street	...	...	...	do.
Penge-lane, Penge	...	...	...	Lewisham.
Harrington-gardens	...	...	...	Kensington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

27. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Harrison, Clerk to the Vestry of Brompton, dated 9th January, 1886, transmitting Plans of an Improvement the Vestry proposed to effect in Mill-street, at an estimated cost of £2,575, exclusive of paving or other works, and asking the Board to contribute a moiety of the cost of the Improvement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

28. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. S. H. Louttit, Secretary of the Lambeth Water Works Company, dated 8th January, 1886, submitting remarks on the subject of Fire plugs throughout the part of the Company's District within the area of the Board's jurisdiction, stating that as the fixing and maintenance of Hydrants and Plugs for fire purposes were matters appertaining entirely to the Board, the Company considered that the Board should assume their legal responsibility, and enquiring what the wishes of the Board were with regard to the plugs.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do report to the Committee thereon.

29. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. R. Conder, dated 9th January, 1886, as to his process of dealing with Sewage.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

30. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. F. Vigers and Co., dated 11th January, 1886, with reference to their proposal to lay out certain land between the Strand and the Victoria Embankment, suggesting, in reply to the Board's Letter, that the Board might seek the necessary power in one of their Bills in the Session of 1887, to deal with a small part of the garden on the Embankment for the formation of a road-way, and asking that they might attend one of the Committees of the Board, or see one of the Board's Officers, in order that explanations might be given.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Committee be authorised to see Messrs. Vigers and Co., if necessary.

31. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Guardians' Offices,
Strand Union.
6, Bow-street, London, W.C.,
January 13th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—The Local Government Board has issued an Order authorising the Guardians to borrow the sum of £1,150 for the purpose of buying and erecting a boundary fence around a piece of land at Edmonton. The Guardians desire me to ask the Metropolitan Board of Works to advance the said sum of £1,150, on the security of the Rates, to be re-paid by 10 equal annual instalments of the principal, with the interest on the balance remaining unpaid each year.

The Guardians will be glad to receive the money at your convenience.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) CHARLES F. WORRELL,
Clerk to the Guardians.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

32. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 9th January, 1886, transmitting a copy of the Lee River Purification Bill, and requesting to have the Board's observations thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

33. The Annual Report by the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, for the year 1885, dated 1st January, 1886, together with the Tables referred to in the Report, was laid before the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received; that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, and that copies thereof be sent to the various Local Boards in the Metropolis.

34. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. Taylor, dated 13th January, 1886, protesting, on behalf of the Firewood cutters of Deptford, against the provisions of the Board's Bill as to the safe keeping of Firewood, and asking them to withdraw [the same.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

35. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

7, Westminster-chambers, Victoria-street,

Westminster, S.W.,

14th January, 1886.

METROPOLITAN ASYLUM DISTRICT.—LOAN OF £10,785.

DEAR SIR,—We are instructed by the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works for the Loan of the further sum of £10,785.

We send you on the other side a statement of the amounts making up the aggregate sum applied for, together with the dates of the Orders of the Local Government Board under which the respective amounts are authorised to be raised, and we enclose prints of the Orders referred to.

Will you be good enough to submit this application to your Board at their Meeting to-morrow, and on hearing from you the terms on which the Loan will be entertained, we will proceed to obtain the consent of the Local Government Board to the mode proposed for re-payment.

We are, &c.,

(Signed) CHAS. ROGERS, SONS AND RUSSELL.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,

Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, SW.

METROPOLITAN ASYLUM DISTRICT.

Application to the Metropolitan Board of Works for Loans amounting to £10,785.

Schedule of Orders.

Date of Order.	Object.	Amount.
1885.		£
December 7th	Northern Hospital—Drainage works	1,503
„ 16th	Darenth Asylum—Softening, filtering and purifying water supply ...	3,075
„ „	West Wharf—Works and additional expenditure	6,207
		£ 10,785

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

36. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas-testing Stations during the week ended on the 12th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.2	16.8	17.0	9.7	8.5	9.1	0.4	0.0	0.2	None.
	Camden ...	17.6	16.4	16.8	10.0	8.0	9.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston ...	16.7	16.2	16.4	17.5	13.5	15.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow ...	17.0	16.4	16.7	14.7	11.3	12.6	0.5	0.0	0.2	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.6	16.2	16.4	17.1	14.5	16.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	" (Nine-Elms) ...	16.6	16.1	16.4	13.3	11.5	12.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	"
	Kingsland-road ...	16.7	16.3	16.5	11.8	8.5	10.8	0.1	0.0	0.1	"
	Charing-cross ...	16.9	16.0	16.6	15.6	10.1	12.0	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	St. John's-wood ...	16.4	16.0	16.2	13.6	12.3	12.8	0.4	0.1	0.2	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	21.3	20.0	21.6	21.8	13.8	17.5	0.6	0.3	0.4	"
	Peckham ...	16.5	16.2	16.4	15.2	11.7	18.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Tooley-street... Meter	under	repair.	11.0	6.3	7.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Clapham ...	16.9	16.4	16.6	15.2	13.0	14.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Lewisham ...	16.6	16.0	16.4	14.6	7.2	9.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford ...	17.5	17.2	17.4	8.1	6.4	7.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	16.5	16.0	16.3	17.5	10.6	12.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested at Middleton-road, Dalston, on 9th January, 1886, at 6 p.m., was 3.0 inches.

37. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. Thomas Henry Watson, District Surveyor for the District of St. George, Hanover-square (North), for the consent of the Board to the appointment by him of Mr. Frederick Wallen, District Surveyor, as his Deputy, from the 15th instant to the 1st of February next.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, and that this Board do consent to the appointment by Mr. Thomas Henry Watson, of Mr. Frederick Wallen, District Surveyor, as his Deputy, and for the performance of the duties of District Surveyor in the District of St. George, Hanover-square (North), from the 15th instant to the 1st of February next.

38. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st December, 1885, on the application of Mr. L. Denchfield, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to No. 21, Lower Woolwich-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

39. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Walker and Runtz, on behalf of Mr. T. Arno, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops at the corner of Trumans-place and Salcombe-road, Stoke Newington, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the application shall be considered.

40. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. R. and E. Evans, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and glass verandah at the rear of No. 43, Fitzjohn's-avenue.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

41. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st December, 1885, on the application of Mr. A. C. Cumings, on behalf of Mr. C. E. Marshall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a studio on the West side of No. 2, Harley-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the studio therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

42. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. E. Taylor, stating that it was his intention to proceed with the erection of houses at Acre-lane, Brixton, in accordance with his building agreement, notwithstanding the Resolution of the Board of the 16th October last (No. 40).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

43. PLUMSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. O. Cook, on behalf of Messrs. Fidge and Sons, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey building at the rear of No. 118, High-street, abutting on Cage-lane, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the building therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

44. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Ashbridge, on behalf of Mr. J. Harris, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 129, East India Dock-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

45. ST. MARYLEBONE.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Norton, on behalf of Mr. Boyce, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows, with balconies, on the second, third and fourth floors of No. 48, Wigmore-street, a canopy over the doorway in Welbeck-street, a bay over the shop front in Wigmore-street, and a circular oriel window over the shop doorway at the angle of Wigmore and Welbeck Streets, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erections therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

46. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Fulton and Co., for the consent of the Board to the erection of a hoarding on the parapet of a one-storey building in front of No. 252, Euston-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

47. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Adamson and Sons, on behalf of Mr. G. Newnes, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wooden porch at the entrance of the premises known as "Wildcroft," at Putney-heath.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

48. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. A. Large, on behalf of Mr. E. C. Hoile, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a wooden pent roof to the entrance to a house in Eglistone-road, Putney.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

49. BETHNAL-GREEN.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. E. Street, District Surveyor, asking for a legal opinion as to the exemption from the provisions of the Building Act of buildings in Victoria-park-square, used by the Tower Hamlets Volunteer Engineers.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

50. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on the application of the Rev. C. H. Simpkinson, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Mission-hall, erected in connection with Holy Trinity Church, at Blackheath-hill.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

51. HOLBORN.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. M. Silley, on behalf of Mr. J. Mansell, for the permission of the Board to retain two bridges, an enclosure to a lift, and an enclosed corridor, erected at Nos. 35 and 36, Red Lion-square, as shown on the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

52. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st December, 1885, on the application of Messrs. Baker and Sons, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Fortune-green-lane.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

53. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. J. Kirk, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead out of the East side of Bedford-hill-road, Balham, and of the name "Harberson-road, S.W.," for the same.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said road.

54. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. E. Milner, on behalf of Dr. D. H. Watney, for

approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and names of new roads on the Down Estate, High-street, Wandsworth.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

- 55. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. H. and R. Bennett, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open iron shed on vacant land at the rear of Park-villas, Norwood-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 56. CHELSEA** (detached).—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. E. Marsland, District Surveyor, asking the Board to afford him legal assistance in relation to proceedings taken by him with reference to the erection of houses by the Artizans' Labourers' and General Dwellings Company, in Harrow-road, with insufficient spaces at the rear thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

- 57. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. F. Roberts, on behalf of Mr. Potter, for approval by the Board of the erection of an addition at the rear of No. 1, Maclise-road, Hammersmith, with an open space at the rear of such addition, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted.

- 58. STRAND.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Emden, on behalf of Messrs. Webb and Wilmot, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed new Theatre on the site of the "Occidental" Tavern, in Savoy-buildings (formerly Fountain-court), Strand, and the site of No. 106, Strand, as shown upon the amended Drawings accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 59. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th January, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, a License in respect of a temporary iron Church erected in Margravine-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

- 60. HAMPSTEAD (WEST).**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, asking the Board to afford him legal assistance in relation to proceedings taken by him with reference to the irregular erection of a timber-staging by Messrs. Allen and Sons, in Hemstall-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

- 61. BERMONDSEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th January, 1886, stating that Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor for the District of Bermondsey and St. John, St. Olave and St. Thomas, Southwark, proposed to remove his District Office from No. 4, Bermondsey-square to No. 15, Railway Approach, London Bridge.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

62. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Dakers, relative to the alleged defective construction of flues against the South party-wall of No. 5, Gordon-villas, Ravenshaw-road.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

63. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. J. and T. F. Clarkson, on behalf of Messrs. Stephens, Smith and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft in Cuba-street, Millwall.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

64. The following Notice of ~~motion~~ was given for the next Meeting of the Board, viz.—

By Mr. Fowler (No. 1,483)—As to a reference to the Works, &c., Committee, on the subject of a renewal of the Coal Duties.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 22nd instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 3.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **22nd** day of **January**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, ESQ.	JOHN REDDISH, ESQ.
CHARLES HARRIS, ESQ.	ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, ESQ.	GEORGE EDWARDS, ESQ.
GEORGE JAMES, ESQ.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN,
HENRY HARBEN, ESQ.	LIAMS, ESQ.	ESQ.
BENJAMIN WEIR, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY,	SAMUEL PRICE, ESQ.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL,	ESQ.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, ESQ.
ESQ.	CHARLES MOSSOP, ESQ.	ROBERT JONES, ESQ.
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBSON, ESQ.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR-
JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD,	FREDERICK COX, ESQ.	CLOUGH, ESQ.
ESQ.	JOHN BONTHRON, ESQ.	JOHN ABBOTT, ESQ.
GEORGE PHILLIPS, ESQ.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS,	LIEUT.-COL. EDWIN HUGHES,
WILLIAM ANDREWS, ESQ.	ESQ., DEPUTY.	M.P.
GEORGE HILL, ESQ.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOW-	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-
ALFRED EWIN, ESQ.	LER, BART., ALDERMAN,	HALL, ESQ.
JOHN TOLHURST, ESQ.	M.P.	HON. ALANDE TATTON EGER-
WILLIAM URQUHART, ESQ.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER,	TON, M.P.
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, ESQ.	ESQ.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, ESQ.,
WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT,	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	M.P.
ESQ.	JOHN LENANTON, ESQ.	JOHN JONES, ESQ.
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQ.,	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.	ALFRED POCOCK, ESQ.
F.R.C.S., Eng.		GEORGE BROWN, ESQ.

1. On the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 15th instant, being presented for signature, Mr. Williams called attention to the insertion of the words "if necessary" in the entry of the motion made by him with respect to the attendance at the Works and General Purposes Committee, of representatives of Memorialists from Firewood dealers and others, and stated that he had not used the words referred to.

The Clerk was instructed to strike out the words, and the Minutes having been altered accordingly, they were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

2. Read a Letter, as follows—

Parish of St. James, Westminster.

Vestry Hall, Piccadilly, W.,
21st January, 1886.

SIR,—Adverting to your Letter of the 8th instant, intimating the resignation of Mr. T. H. Elam as the representative Member of this Parish upon the Metropolitan Board of Works, I

beg to hand you annexed copy of a Resolution passed at a Meeting of the Vestry this day, unanimously electing Mr. John Bonthron to fill the vacancy. The private address of Mr. Bonthron is Pitlochry, Putney-hill.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) HARRY WILKINS,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

St. James, Westminster,
21st January, 1886.

At a Vestry,

Present—The Rev. J. E. Kempe, Rector, Chairman of the Vestry, in the Chair.

It was moved by Mr. Winnett, seconded by Mr. Graves, and *unanimously* RESOLVED—

“That Mr. John Bonthron, of 106, Regent-street, be elected a Member of the
“Metropolitan Board of Works, as the representative of this Parish in the
“room of Mr. Thomas Henry Elam, resigned.”

(Extracted from the Minutes).

(Signed) HARRY WILKINS,
Vestry Clerk.

3. This being the day appointed for the election of a District Surveyor for the District of the Western Division of the City of London, the Clerk laid before the Board the applications and testimonials which he had received from candidates.

The names of the candidates were then read, as follows—

Mr. T. Batterbury, No. 29, John-street, Bedford-row.	Mr. G. Inskipp, No. 5, Bedford-row.
„ H. H. Bridgman, No. 42, Poultry.	„ G. Jackson, No. 31, Charing-cross.
„ H. Cheston, No. 1, Great Winchester- street.	„ G. A. Lean, Helena Chambers, Ealing.
„ S. F. Clarkson, No. 28, Great Ormond- street.	„ H. Lovegrove, No. 26, Budge-row, Cannon-street.
„ P. Cowper, No. 7, Westminster- chambers, Victoria-street.	„ H. McLachlan, No. 45, Fenchurch- street.
„ J. S. Edmeston, No. 42, Old Broad- street.	„ T. E. Mundy, No. 12, Buckingham- street, Adelphi.
G. Edwards, No. 68, Brompton-road.	„ R. C. Murray, No. 1, Racquet-court, Fleet-street.
„ J. M. Ferguson, No. 7, Princes- street, Cavendish-square.	„ W. H. Nash, No. 5, Adelaide-place, London-bridge.
„ R. F. C. Francis, No. 142, Palmerston- buildings, Old Broad-street.	„ H. A. Pelly, No. 23, Old Broad-street.
„ W. Grellier, No. 17, Abchurch-lane.	„ M. L. Saunders, No. 9, Finsbury- circus.
„ J. Hamilton, No. 202, Bishopsgate- street.	„ W. Smallpeice, No. 122, High Holborn.
„ G. Hamilton-Gordon, No. 72, Fins- bury-pavement.	„ L. Solomon, No. 55, New Broad- street.
„ W. J. Hardcastle, Beechenden, Hamp- stead.	„ W. L. Spiers, No. 9, Gray's-inn- square.
„ A. Harland, No. 22, Surrey-street, Strand.	„ W. H. Stevens, No. 21, Ashchurch- grove, Shepherd's-bush.
„ E. Haslehurst, No. 7A, Lawrence Pountney-hill	„ H. W. Stock, No. 9, Denman-street, London-bridge.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That the number of candidates be reduced by one vote to six, that the names be then put to the vote *seriatim*, and that the candidate having the least number of votes be struck off at each voting.

An *amendment* thereon was *moved* by Mr. Williams, and seconded by Mr. Mossop—That the votes with respect to the last three candidates be taken by ballot.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, there were for it 9, against it 23, and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the appointment of District Surveyor do continue during the pleasure of the Board, and be subject to the condition that he shall make no claim for compensation in case a diminution of income shall at any time hereafter arise from any reduction or alteration of Fees by the Board, or from any change of system which may be adopted, either as to the office, its duties or emoluments, or from any division, reduction, or re-adjustment of Districts.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the appointment of District Surveyor be subject to the condition that he shall furnish the Board with information of those cases in his District in which the Orders of the Board, or the requirements of the Local Management Amendment Act, 1862, with regard to the width or entrances of streets, or to any building, structure, or erection, or projection therein beyond the general line of buildings, are not complied with; and of those cases in which the limitations contained in the Building Act as to cubical contents of buildings are exceeded; that he shall faithfully discharge any duties which may devolve upon him under the Metropolis Management (Thames River Prevention of Floods) Amendment Act, 1879, and shall also personally discharge the duties of his office as District Surveyor.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the District Surveyor, to be appointed this day, be required to keep his District Office open daily from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the District Surveyor, to be appointed this day, be prohibited from carrying on the business of an Architect or Surveyor for works within the boundary of his own District.

The names of the candidates were then severally put to the vote, for the purpose of reducing the number to six, in accordance with the Resolution passed this day, when the result was as follows—

VOTES.				VOTES.			
Mr. T. Batterbury	...	...	21	Mr. G. Inskipp	...	...	4
„ H. H. Bridgman	...	...	11	„ G. Jackson	...	...	5
„ H. Cheston	...	...	13	„ G. A. Lean	...	...	9
„ S. F. Clarkson	...	...	28	„ H. Lovegrove	...	...	12
„ P. Cowper	...	...	24	„ H. M ^c Lachlan	...	...	33
„ J. S. Edmeston	...	...	19	„ T. E. Mundy	...	...	21
„ G. Edwards	...	...	7	„ R. C. Murray	...	...	7
„ J. M. Ferguson	...	...	5	„ W. H. Nash	...	...	13
„ R. F. C. Francis	...	...	14	„ H. A. Pelly	...	...	10
„ W. Grellier	...	...	12	„ M. L. Saunders	...	...	34
„ J. Hamilton	...	...	2	„ W. Smallpeice	...	...	12
„ G. Hamilton-Gordon	...	...	7	„ L. Solomon	...	...	none
„ W. J. Hardeastle	...	...	29	„ W. L. Spiers	...	...	24
„ A. Harland	...	...	1	„ W. H. Stevens	...	...	13
„ E. Hazlehurst	...	...	2	„ H. W. Stock	...	...	32

The number of votes for Mr. Cowper and Mr. Spiers being equal, their names were again put to the vote, with the following result—

							VOTES.
Mr. Cowper	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Mr. Spiers	...	...	...	...	...	...	29

It was **moved** by Mr. Cox, and seconded by Mr. Williams—That the candidates be requested to withdraw.

The Chairman ruled that the **motion** was not in order, and could not therefore be put.

The Board then proceeded with the election by a show of hands, taken successively for each of the six candidates having the largest number of votes, as above, the name of the candidate having the smallest number of votes being struck off at each voting, as follows—

						1st Show of Hands.	2nd Show of Hands.
Mr. Clarkson	...	...	...	...	...	23	19
„ Harcastle	...	...	...	...	...	24	21
„ M'Lachlan	...	...	...	...	...	30	31
„ Saunders	...	...	...	...	...	20	20
„ Spiers	...	...	...	...	...	19	—
„ Stock	...	...	...	...	...	23	19

The number of votes for Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Stock being equal, their names were again put to the vote, with the following result—

							VOTES.
Mr. Clarkson	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
„ Stock	...	...	...	...	...	...	16

The Board then proceeded with the election, as follows—

					3rd Show of Hands.	4th Show of Hands.	5th Show of Hands.
Mr. Clarkson	...	...	...	...	26	19	14
„ Harcastle	...	...	...	...	22	15	—
„ M'Lachlan	...	...	...	...	31	31	32
„ Saunders	...	...	...	...	18	—	—

It was thereupon resolved—That Mr. Hugh M'Lachlan be the District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of the Western Division of the City of London.

Mr. M'Lachlan was then called, and the Resolutions passed this day, prescribing the conditions of the appointment, having been communicated to him, he stated that he accepted the appointment on the conditions expressed in such Resolutions.

4. Mr. Pocock handed in a Letter from Mr. A. Millar, Clerk to the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, dated 20th January, 1886, with a copy of a Memorial addressed to the Vestry, as follows—

January 18th, 1886.

To the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr.

GENTLEMEN,—We beg to draw your prompt attention to the hoarding erected by the Metropolitan Board of Works outside the premises in Blackman-street, numbered 107 to 110. It has now been erected upwards of two months, and beyond removing the lead, iron, &c., nothing has been done.

The trade and foot traffic are greatly impeded, nearly all the foot passengers crossing over the road at this spot, and our trade already much injured by the delay in completing and opening up the new street, and will be quite destroyed unless this hoarding is at once set back.

We therefore ask you at once to help us in this matter.

We are, &c.,

(Signed) MATTHEW JOHN THOMAS, 101, Blackman-street
T. J. PLACE, 105, Blackman-street, Boro',
C. T. PLUM, 99, Blackman-street, Boro',
E. BRADY, 104, Blackman-street, Boro',
GEORGE HOLLANDS, 98, Blackman-street, S.E.
W. W. MORRIS (for D. H. L.), 96, Blackman-street, S.E
ARTHUR BUSSY, 106, Blackman-street,
JOHN F. GOULDING, 93, Blackman-street.

It was moved by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and resolved—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

5. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 18th January, 1886.

Under the authority conferred upon them your Committee have drawn the following Cheques—

<i>General Capital Account.</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Michell's Trustees (Queen Victoria-street)—(106)—</i>							
Reeves, E.—							
6044	One-year's Rent-charge on Nos. 17, 18 and 19, Poultry, No. 3, Charlotte-row, Nos. 21 and 22, Lambeth-hill, Nos. 1 to 9, Green Harbour-court, and Nos. 2 and 2A, Great Trinity-lane, to Michaelmas, 1885 (less land Tax) ...				9	6	—
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers.</i>							
<i>Re Baldwin and Hough (Limehouse)—(107)—</i>							
Barber, W., and Son—							
1247	Three-quarters' Rent of warehouse on North side of Narrow-street, due Christmas, 1885 (less Tax) ...				43	10	
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>							
<i>Re Spencer (Charing-cross)—(108)—</i>							
Mathews, J. A. S.—							
8549	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c. ...	22	5	6			
<i>Re Moser (Charing-cross)—(109)—</i>							
Moser, Robt. Jas.—							
8550	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in the Baptist Chapel, Moor-street, Soho ...	500	—	—			
Baines, C., and Ball—							
8551	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract ...	13	13	—			
<i>Re Nisbet (Charing-cross)—(110)—</i>							
Bank of England, for Chancery—							
8552	Purchase-money for Freehold of Nos. 33 and 35, Crown-street, and Nos. 7 to 12, Denmark-street, Soho ...	2,000	—	—			
Beeston, F.—							
8553	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract ...	24	3	—			
Phillips, J. and J.—							
8554	Stamp-duty on Conveyance ...	10	—	—			
<i>Re Blackwell (Charing-cross)—(111)—</i>							
Phillips, J. and J.—							
8555	Stamp-duty on Conveyance ...	11	10	—			
Compensation for loss of business and removal—							
Danks, T. (Piccadilly)—(112)—							
8556	No. 16, Great Windmill-street ...	430	—	—			
Knight, G. A. (Charing-cross)—(113)—							
8557	No. 4, Little Earl-street ...	35	—	—			
Carried forward		£3,046	11	6	52	16	—

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	3,046	11 6	52	16	-
Hall, C. (Charing-cross)—(114)—								
8558	No. 3, New Compton-street	...	...	15	- -			
Gross, Mrs. E. (Charing-cross)—(115)—								
8559	No. 72, New Compton-street	...	...	20	- -	3,081	11	6
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re St. Thomas' Hospital (Bermondsey)—(116)—</i>								
Cookson, Wainewright and Pennington—								
734	Costs of Order for investment of £7,900 in Consols			21	5 9			
<i>Re Woolrych (Upper-street, Islington)—(117)—</i>								
Smith, F. W., and Co.—								
735	Interest on purchase-money, less Rents, as agreed, from Michaelmas, 1884, to 8th August, 1885 (less Tax)	...	...	...	110 15 2			
<i>Re Gover (South Lambeth)—(118)—</i>								
Gover and Son—								
736	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	15	4 10			
<i>Re Taylor (South Lambeth)—(119)—</i>								
Taylor, R. S., Son and Humbert—								
737	One-quarter's Rent of Nos. 138, 140 and 142, South Lambeth-road, and No. 2, Cottage- place, South Lambeth-road, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)...	...	...	...	32 7 8			
<i>Re Lofts (Upper-street, Islington)—(120)—</i>								
Lofts, Chas.—								
738	Purchase-money for Leasehold in- terest in Nos. 289 and 290, Upper-street, Islington	...	£300	- -				
739	Trade compensation	...	...	1,456	- -	1,756	- -	
Klenck, J. M., and Co.—								
740	Surveyors' Fee, as per Order of Committee	...		23	2 -			
<i>Re Hewitt (Walworth-road)—(121)—</i>								
Nutt and Savery—								
741	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	14	5 4			
<i>Re King (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(122)—</i>								
Emanuel and Simmonds—								
742	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	20	18 2			
<i>Re Mackay (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(123)—</i>								
Mackay, Thos. Jas.—								
743	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in No. 49, Green-street	...	...	550	- -			
Baines, C., and Ball—								
744	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	16	16 -			
<i>Re Henderson (Little York-street, Bethnal-green)—(124)—</i>								
Henderson, H. G.—								
745	Compensation for removal from (No. 6 on Plan) York-street	...	...	...	20 - -	2,580	14	11
Carried forward								
		...	...	...		25,715	2	5

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward			...	5,715	2	5

*Hampstead Improvements.**Re Pannell—(125)—*

Macarthurs, Charlton and Smith—

263	Costs of concurrence of Mr. C. H. Fry in Conveyance, and of production of Deeds ...	6	-	8
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Re Stone—(126)—

Stone, S.—

264	Purchase-money for Freehold interest in Nos. 52 and 53, High-street, and Leasehold interest in No. 51, High-street... ..	2,200	-	-
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Wilson, Sir S. M. M., per Bell, Stewards and May—

265	Purchase-money for Lord's rights	15	-	-
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Stone, S.—

266	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	25	4	-
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Phillips, J. and J.—

267	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	11	5	-
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Re Ralph—(127)—

Ralph, Jas.—

268	Purchase-money for yearly tenancy in part of No. 52, High-street	200	-	-
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Baines, C., and Ball—

269	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	7	7	-
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Re Arrowsmith—(128)—

Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 58, High-street—

270	Arrowsmith, Henry Creasy, and Arrowsmith, Jeffrey Webb	£185	-	-
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271	Arrowsmith, Henry Creasy, and Arrowsmith, Jeffrey Webb	30	-	-
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Trade compensation—

272	Arrowsmith, Henry Creasy, and Arrowsmith, Jeffrey Webb	1,285	-	-
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1,500 - -

Hall, W.—

273	Surveyor's Fee, as per Order of Committee	22	1	-
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*Streets (Act of 1884).**Re Stock (St. Pancras)—(129)—*

Waller, W. H., and Son—

23	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	32	17	9
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Re Townsend (St. Pancras)—(130)—

Cooke, W. C.—

24	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	5	5	-
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*Bridges (Act of 1881).**Re Gaines (Battersea)—(131 and 132)—*

Starling and Giblett—

6	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	27	2	3
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Carried forward £27 2 3 9,740 2 10

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	27	2	3	9,740	2	10
7 Proportion of tenant's Rent of No. 28, Battersea- bridge-road, from Michaelmas to 17th December, 1885 (less Tax)	7	18	-			
<i>Re Griffin (Battersea)—(133)—</i> Griffin, Wm.—						
8 Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 40, Bridge- road	372	-	-			
Griffin, H.—						
9 Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract... ..	11	11	-			
				418	11	3

Dwelling House Improvement Fund.

<i>Re Mulkern and Runtz (Trafalgar-road)—(134)—</i> Poncione and Leggatt—						
5615 Proportion of tenant's Rent of Nos. 1 to 3, East- street, and No. 1, Old Woolwich-road, from Midsummer, 1885, to 8th January, 1886 (less Tax)	17	10	1			
<i>Re Miller (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(135 and 136)—</i> Lawford, Waterhouse and Lawford—						
5616 Steward's Fee and Costs of enrolling Conveyance Sharpe, Parkers and Co.—	5	5	-			
5617 Two-years' ground-rent of No. 58, Brook-street, Nos. 1 to 3, Harris'-court, to Christmas, 1885	13	13	-			
<i>Re Abbott (Windmill-row)—(137)—</i> Gush, Phillips, Walters and Williams—						
5618 Costs of Title and Conveyance	11	15	10			
<i>Re Willan (Tench-street)—(138)—</i> Haigh and Agar—						
5619 Rent in respect of Nos. 9, 11, 13 and 15, Green- bank, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax) ...	35	15				
<i>Re Henessey (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(139)—</i> Walker, W.—						
5620 Costs of Arbitration... ..	11	11	-			
<i>Re Briggs' Executors (Windmill-row)—(140)—</i> Dawes and Sons—						
5621 Costs of Title and Conveyance	10	4	4			
<i>Re Harmsworth (Trafalgar-road)—(141)—</i> Todd, Dennes and Lamb—						
5622 Costs of Title and Conveyance	18	10	5			
<i>Re Ford (Tench-street)—(142)—</i> Ford, Robt.—						
5623 Purchase-money for Fee-simple in Nos. 14, 16, 18 and 22, Lower Gun-alley	700	-	-			
<i>Re Merceron's Trustees (Tench-street)—(143)—</i> Bank of England, for Chancery—						
5624 Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 43 to 45, 110 to 117, and 160 to 170 on Plan ...	2,087	-	-			
Carried forward				£2,911	5	-
				10,158	14	1

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	2,911	5	—	10,158	14	1
<i>Re</i> Marshall (Tench-street)—(144)—								
	Marshall, Jno. Edwards—							
5625	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 3 to 5,							
	Lower Gun-alley	... ..	237	—	—			
<i>Re</i> Gibson (Windmill-row)—(145)—								
	Braikenridge, F. J. and G. T.—							
5626	Costs of Arbitration	... ..	172	13	2			
<i>Re</i> Lanning (Trafalgar-road)—(146)—								
	Lanning, Wm. Skinner—							
5627	Purchase-money for Freehold of No. 54, East-							
	street...	... ..	270	—	—			
						3,590	18	2

Consolidated Loans Fund.

<i>Re</i> Baldwin and Hough (Limehouse)—(147)—								
	Salmon, J.—							
1515	One-quarter's Rent of premises at corner of							
	opening and Midland-street, Ratcliff, to							
	Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	... ..	8	9	2			
<i>Re</i> Benham (Upper-street, Islington)—(148)—								
	Newbon and Harding—							
1516	One-quarter's Rent of Nos. 167 and 168, Upper-							
	street, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	... ..	33	16	8			
						42	5	10
						£13,791	15	1

Your Committee have had under consideration the question of the name to be given to the new street from Piccadilly-circus to New Oxford-street, and also the new street from Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road. Various names have been suggested, but your Committee think that "Piccadilly-road" would be most appropriate for the thoroughfare connecting Piccadilly with Oxford-street, and they recommend the Board to name the street accordingly. Your Committee have not yet decided on their recommendation with regard to the new street from Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 27th November last (No. 40) from Mr. H. R. Williams, Hon. Secretary of the Committee charged with the arrangements for a National Memorial to the late Lord Shaftesbury, asking the Board to grant a suitable site in one of the public thoroughfares under their jurisdiction for a bronze statue of his Lordship. Your Committee have carefully considered the matter, and after conference with your Engineer and your Superintending Architect, they are of opinion that a very appropriate site would be the Circus which has been lately formed in the lines of intersection of the new streets West of Dudley-street, as shown on the Plan submitted herewith. Your Committee recommend—

That, subject to the design of the statue and pedestal being approved by the Board, the site named be offered to the Statue Committee.

Your Committee have had before them a Letter from the Secretary of the General Post Office relative to forming a road for mail-carts and other vehicles over the site of the Falcon-brook Sewer on the East side of certain land at St. John's-hill, Battersea, upon which it is proposed to build a branch post and sorting office. The Board, on the recommendation of your Committee, granted a License, dated 11th December, 1877, to Mr. Noel Whiting to fill in and enclose by a wooden fence a portion of the

old Falcon-brook Sewer at St. John's-hill, the line of fence being shown by a Blue line separating the parts of the site coloured Red and Yellow upon the Plan attached to the License, and to use during the pleasure of the Board the part coloured Red between the points marked "A" and "B" on the Plan. It appears that the Post Office authorities are in treaty to acquire the plot of land which belonged to Mr. Whiting, and that they propose to erect a post and sorting office on the portion coloured Red on the Plan accompanying their Letter, which portion of land is bounded by the site of the Sewer coloured Yellow on the Plan; and as it will be necessary to have a road-way for mail-carts on the Eastern side of the new building, i.e. over the site of the Sewer, the authorities ask if the Board would have any objection to the construction of such a road, and whether they would grant the Postmaster General a License accordingly, Your Committee having conferred with your Engineer see no objection to the Board transferring to the Post Office authorities the rights conferred on Mr. Whiting, or to the authorities making a road on part of the site of the Sewer as proposed, provided that no injury be done to the pipe Sewer laid for the local drainage at the time the Brook was filled in, and that they undertake to restore such Sewer if damaged, to the satisfaction of your Engineer, your Solicitor preparing the requisite Agreement to the foregoing effect. Your Committee beg to recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have considered the Letters, referred by the Board on the 4th December last (No. 35) and 15th instant (No. 30) from Messrs. F. Vigers and Co. with reference to a proposal to lay out certain land between the Strand and the Victoria Embankment, suggesting that the Board might seek the necessary power in one of their Bills in the Session of 1887, to deal with a small part of the garden on the Embankment for the formation of a road-way, and asking that they may attend one of the Committees of the Board, or see one of the Board's Officers, in order that explanations may be given. No proposal to appropriate any portion of the Embankment Gardens to such a purpose would, your Committee think, meet with the approval of the Board, and they recommend—

That Messrs. Vigers and Co. be informed that the Board having given careful consideration to the matter, are unable to assent to the Ornamental Garden being dealt with in the manner suggested, and that it appears unnecessary therefore to trouble the applicants to attend.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. McGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
GEO. HILL,
P. W. FUNNELL.
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. SHEPHERD,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Plan submitted with the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the new line of thoroughfare between Piccadilly-circus and New Oxford-street, be named "Piccadilly-road."

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Lenanton—That the thoroughfare be named "Piccadilly East."

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 4, against it 32, and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A further amendment was then *moved* by Mr. Webster, and seconded by Mr. Selway—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 27, against it 17, and

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it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Robson, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. H. R. Williams, Hon. Secretary to the Committee charged with the arrangements for a national Memorial of the late Lord Shaftesbury, asking the Board to grant a suitable site in one of the public thoroughfares under their control for a bronze statue of his Lordship, be approved; and that, subject to the design of the statue and pedestal being approved by the Board, a site be offered to the Memorial Committee at the Circus West of Dudley-street, which has been lately formed by the Board at the junction of the new thoroughfare from Piccadilly-circus to New Oxford-street with the proposed new street from Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of the Postmaster-General for a License from the Board to form a road for mail carts and other vehicles over the site of the Falcon-brook Sewer, at the East side of certain land at St. John's-hill, Battersea, be granted on the following conditions—namely, that no injury be done to the pipe Sewer which was laid down for the local drainage at the time the Falcon-brook was filled in, and that the Post-office authorities do undertake to restore the Sewer if damaged, to the satisfaction of the Engineer of the Board, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare an Agreement accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That Messrs. F. Vigers and Co. be informed, in reply to their Letter, asking that they may be allowed to attend one of the Committees of the Board, with a view to the Board obtaining Parliamentary power for the formation of a road-way through the garden of the Victoria Embankment, in connection with a proposal to lay out certain land between the Strand and the Embankment; that the Board, having given careful consideration to the matter, are unable to assent to the Garden being dealt with in the manner suggested, and that it appears unnecessary, therefore, to trouble the applicants to attend the Committee.

6. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 12th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the authority given by the Resolution of the Board of the 13th July, 1877, directing them “to consider and report on all matters which relate to the ventilation of sewers, and to act in all matters of administrative detail, relating to that subject, which involve no alteration of principle laid down by the Board,” they have from time to time given the subject of the reference the full consideration which its importance calls for, and they now submit the result of their investigations for the information of the Board.

In addition to the general reference quoted above, the Board have from time to time referred the following documents connected with the subject for the information or consideration of the Committee, viz.—

Letter from Mr. R. Parker, Surveyor to the Poplar District Board, stating that he has a Plan for ventilating sewers which he is desirous of submitting to the Metropolitan Board of Works, and applying to one of their sewers with a view to proving its efficacy (referred back on the 17th May, 1878, No. 1).

Letters from the Vestry of Hampstead, complaining of the influx of sewer gases into the Hampstead sewers from the sewers of the adjoining Parishes which are at a lower level; and requesting the Board to urge upon the Vestries of such Parishes the necessity for providing additional means for ventilating their sewers (referred on the 26th January, 1883, No. 9, and the 28th September, 1883, No. 75).

Letter from the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, directing the attention of the Board to the nuisance caused by the method of ventilating Metropolitan main sewers in the District by means of openings through gratings in the leading thoroughfares (referred on the 28th September, 1883, No. 9).

Letter from the Highway, &c., Committee of the Vestry of St. Pancras, relating to complaints of offensive gases emitted through the ventilating gratings over the main sewers in the Parish (referred on the 5th October, 1883, No. 16).

Memorial of the Vestry of Tooting-graveney against the system of ventilating sewers by means of gratings in the road, and asking the Board to obtain Parliamentary powers to carry out some more efficient mode of ventilating sewers, either by shafts placed by houses and carried above the chimneys, or by any other Plan which may prove efficient (referred on the 9th October, 1883, No. 9), and the following Letters in support of the above-mentioned Memorial, viz.—

Letter from the Vestry of St. James, Westminster (referred 2nd November, 1883, No. 7).

Letter from the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square (referred 2nd November, 1883, No. 6).

Letter from the Vestry of Islington (referred 23rd November, 1883, No. 36).

Presentment of the Leet Jury of the King's Manor of Southwark directing the attention of the Board to the objectionable method of ventilating sewers by man-holes and openings into foot-ways in the main thoroughfares (referred on the 7th November, 1884, No. 42).

Letter from the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, requesting the Board to take steps more efficiently to ventilate the main sewers (referred on the 21st November, 1884, No. 34).

Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, stating that they concur with the suggestion that the Metropolitan Board of Works should apply to owners of manufactories for permission to connect pipes from the sewers with the shafts of factories for the purpose of ventilating such sewers (referred on the 17th April, 1885, No. 51).

Letter from the St. Olave's District Board to the same effect as the preceding (referred on the 8th May, 1885, No. 11).

Letter from the Limehouse District Board on the subject of the nuisance arising from the ventilators of the main sewers in the District, suggesting as a temporary remedy that the ventilators should be closed during summer, and urging that permanent measures should be adopted to prevent the discharge of noxious effluvia from the main sewers (referred on the 12th June, 1885, No. 47).

Letter from the Vestry of Rotherhithe, stating that they consider it advisable, in all cases where it can be carried out, that ventilating shafts or pipes with an exhaust cowl on the summit thereof should be carried up from the sewers above the neighbouring houses or buildings (referred on the 26th June, 1885, No. 32).

Letter from Mr. J. Nibbod, explaining his method for abolishing foul gases from sewer ventilators or outlets (referred on the 3rd July, 1885, No. 49).

Letter from the Kensington Vestry, requesting the Board to deal with the question of sewer ventilation as early as possible, and to favour the Vestry with their views on the subject (referred on the 10th July, 1885).

Letter from the Vestry of the Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town, calling attention to complaints of smells from sewer ventilators, and to the satisfactory result of the use of Mr. Knight's Patent "Deodorising Apparatus" (referred on the 17th July, 1885, No. 7).

The Works and General Purposes Committee of the Board also made the following references to your Committee on the 5th December, 1882 (No. 29)—

Letter from the Vestry of Paddington, stating that they were of opinion that the Board should obtain from Parliament compulsory powers for enabling ventilating shafts to be fixed to sewers in such cases as might appear to be necessary (referred to that Committee on the 4th May, 1882, No. 52), and Reports by the Engineer and Solicitor of the Board on the Letter.

And further Report by the Engineer of the Board on the ventilation of sewers.

The means for as far as possible preventing the formation of offensive gases in sewers, and for disposing of such gases when formed by ventilating the sewers, have received the earnest attention of the Metropolitan drainage authorities for the past forty years. The subject has also necessarily been under the constant investigation of Sanitary Engineers and other persons interested in the sanitary condition of towns; and a mere enumeration of the schemes suggested and experiments tried would occupy considerable space. The various schemes have been more or less fully described, and the results of the experiments recorded in a series of Reports to the Board, the principal of which were as follows—

Report by the Engineer of the Board, dated 6th January, 1866, on the subject of the ventilation of sewers generally (No. 226)

Report by the Engineer of the Board, dated 31st May, 1866, giving the result of experiments with respect to the ventilation of sewers made in the Metropolis during 1865-6 (No. 242).

Report by the Engineer of the Board, and Dr. W. A. Miller, F.R.S., on experiments made for deodorising and disinfecting sewer gases by means of charcoal placed in the ventilating shafts (No. 260).

Report by the Engineer of the Board, dated 31st March, 1869, on recent experiments in connection with the subject of the ventilation of sewers (No. 383).

Report by the Ventilation of Sewers Committee, of 12th July, 1872, as to offering a premium for the best practicable Plan for ventilating sewers, and on the subject generally (No. 567).

Report dated 18th July, 1876, prepared by direction of the Ventilation of Sewers Committee, detailing the various schemes which had been examined by the Board and their Officers, and the conclusions arrived at thereon (No. 717).

These Reports give the history of the subject in detail up to within a year of the date at which it was referred to your Committee; and it is now therefore only necessary for them to recapitulate so much of the contents of such Reports as is requisite to make this Report intelligible.

Prior to the year 1850 the sewers of London were almost wholly ventilated by means of the gully gratings in the gutters at the edge of the foot pavements. These gratings were at times a medium of great offence to foot passengers and to residents in the houses adjacent, and it became necessary to trap the gullies under the gratings. In the year 1849 Mr. Henry Austin, the Consulting Engineer of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, recommended that the trapping of the street gullies should only be proceeded with as other means of ventilation were provided, otherwise the sewers would be rendered dangerous; and Sir Joseph (then Mr.) Bazalgette was directed by the Commissioners to make a series of experiments as to ventilating sewers by means of shafts leading from the crown of the sewers to gratings in the centre of the road. These experiments showed that a reduction of nuisance followed from ventilating through such shafts and trapping the side gullies, and consequently that method of ventilating the sewers of the Metropolis was gradually adopted.

Considerable improvement resulted from the alteration, and the system of ventilating sewers by such road shafts and surface gratings has now become almost universal. The change, however, did not reduce the quantity or materially affect the nature of the gases rising from the sewers into the streets. In their diluted form the sewer gases were far less perceptible to pedestrians and residents than formerly, and were less liable to be injurious to health; but as they were still at times a nuisance, it appeared desirable either to dispose of the gases in some other way, or to render them innocuous before their discharge into the streets.

Of the numerous schemes for effecting these objects which have been suggested since 1850, by far the greater number have been found on careful examination to be either wholly impracticable, or quite unsuitable to a large system of sewerage. Most of these schemes have been described in detail in the Reports to the Board before referred to; but such of them as are of most importance will be referred to in the course of this Report.

For the purpose of their investigation into this subject your Committee have ascertained what measures have been taken in the principal cities and towns in the United Kingdom for dealing with sewer gases, and the results of some valuable experience have also been obtained from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, and from the several Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis. The latter information is in the form of replies to a series of questions addressed to the Vestries and District Boards by direction of your Committee, and it is printed as an appendix to this Report.

Sewer gases are evolved in the decomposition of substances passing through or deposited in the sewers; and this decomposition takes place to a more considerable extent when the contents of a sewer are in a stagnant or nearly stagnant condition, and a much less quantity of gas is evolved when the temperature is low and the sewage is diluted and flowing through a sewer freely. It is, therefore, of the first importance that sewers should be constructed with as good falls as practicable, and have a copious flow of water through them.

The discharge into sewers of specially offensive trade refuse or filth also gives rise to offensive gases in sewers. Although to cause such a discharge is an offence against the Metropolis Local Management Act, it is done to a considerable extent, and the difficulty of detecting the practice is great. The Board have, however, succeeded in obtaining convictions for the commission of this offence, and your Committee consider that every care should be taken to discover cases of this nature, whether the discharge be into main or local sewers.

Another source of special nuisance arises from the discharge from manufactories and other places of steam or hot water into sewers. The Board have succeeded in some cases in mitigating the nuisance produced in this way, by inducing manufacturers to take means to condense the steam, and to cool the water before discharging it into the sewers; and your Committee consider that such means should be taken whenever the existing arrangements prove a cause of nuisance.

One of the most general causes of deposit in sewers arises from road sweepings being washed into the sewers through the gully gratings and the ventilating gratings. It is, by the 205th Section of the Metropolis Management Act, made an offence to sweep soil, rubbish, and filth into sewers, and the Board have frequently succeeded in enforcing the penalty; but your Committee are of opinion that the most certain way to prevent solid matter from the streets entering the sewers is to provide large catch-pits under the gully gratings, and trays under the surface ventilators. By these means, if the catch-pits and trays are frequently emptied, the solid matter will be arrested before it reaches the sewer. The expense of providing such catchpits and trays, wherever they do not already exist, would be speedily repaid by the saving in labour, as the periodical removal of the deposit from the catchpits and trays would be less troublesome, and

would require less labour, than the removal of such deposit from the interior of the sewers. In any circumstances it is important that effective measures should be adopted for the frequent removal of any deposit which may take place in sewers.

The want of sufficient water carriage or flow is, your Committee believe, one of the principal causes of nuisance arising from sewers. However offensive sewage may be when stagnant, it gives off little offensive effluvia when it is largely diluted with water and when it flows through sewers at a fair velocity. The extent to which it is diluted with water mainly determines the degree of offensiveness of the sewage itself, and swiftness of flow removes it before material decomposition has set in.

Your Committee are consequently of opinion that the first and most important matter in connection with the management of sewers is the provision of water for flushing the sewers in dry seasons. If offensive gases are mainly generated in sewers when the sewage is comparatively strong and stagnant from want of water to dilute and carry it away, then the remedy is to be found in some method of artificially supplying water for the purpose.

This opinion has been urged for many years by Sir J. Bazalgette, the Board's Engineer, who, in a Report dated 6th January, 1866, recommended—

That the most efficacious and most universally applicable mode of preventing the escape of noxious gases is so to construct the sewers that a continuous flow shall be kept up in them, and to provide them with a sufficiently copious supply of water, that the decomposing matter within them shall be diluted and instantaneously removed, and not allowed to settle and ferment in the sewers. Much improvement has already been effected in the ventilation of the London sewers by the abolition of the tide-locked and stagnant sewers, and much more may yet be accomplished by the introduction of a more copious supply of water, a desideratum also otherwise so greatly needed for the necessities and comfort of the inhabitants of the Metropolis.

The importance of artificially flushing sewers is generally advocated by all authorities on sewer construction, but the whole of the sewers of London North of the Thames, and a part of the Southern sewers, can at present be only artificially flushed with water which has to be purchased from the Water Companies; and efficient water flushing can in such circumstances only be carried out at great cost. The Board's Engineer endeavoured to ascertain from the London Water Companies, in the year 1866, at what rate water could be supplied for this purpose; and he reported that while three out of the five companies which supply the North side of the Thames would deliver a limited quantity of water at prices varying from 6d. to 9d. per 1,000 gallons, the remaining two companies had not then the means to furnish a supply for the purpose. The Engineer pointed out at the time that even if the necessary quantity of water could have been obtained, the cost would have been too great to admit of its being purchased upon such terms for flushing sewers alone.

In connection with the cost of water supplied by Water Companies for flushing sewers, your Committee may refer to the fact that, in several towns where the water-works are not Corporate property, the water is usually stated to have cost from 4d. to 6d. per 1,000 gallons, although in one case the cost is returned at 9d., and in another at 1s. per 1,000 gallons. Sixpence per 1,000 gallons is paid by the Holborn District Board of Works, but 1s. per 1,000 gallons is the price usually charged by the London Water Companies for water required for watering the streets, and probably that is the price ordinarily paid in London for water required for flushing purposes.

Nevertheless it is mainly to water supplied by the several Water Companies that the Vestries and District Boards have to look for sewer-flushing purposes, and it is probably on account of the excessive cost of water that flushing is not carried out to a greater extent.

On reference to the Appendix it will be seen that the practice of the Vestries and District Boards as to flushing varies considerably. In some Districts the sewers are described as being "constantly," "regularly," or "periodically" flushed; in others

the sewers are described as being flushed a certain number of times in the course of the year, varying from twice to eight times. In most of the remaining replies on this subject the frequency of the operation is not indicated.

Various methods of flushing are adopted. The smaller sewers appear to be usually flushed with water drawn from the stand-pipes on the Water Companies' mains, and discharged into the sewers either through hose or by the means of water vans. In some cases, however, the water is not sent at once into the sewers, but is accumulated in the shafts and side-entrances, and is then suddenly discharged. By the latter method a fair head of water can be obtained, and the sewers can be effectually scoured for some distance from the point of discharge. A still larger head of water can, however, be obtained by the use of storage tanks, from which the water can be suddenly discharged either by hand or automatically. In several districts of the Metropolis such tanks are used with success; and their use is gradually being extended in various town sewerage systems elsewhere. In the Parish of Newington the sewers are described as being flushed by means of storm waters which have been stored in old sewers at a higher level; and the Wandsworth District Board state that one of the low level sewers is flushed by means of water diverted from a natural watercourse. Your Committee consider that all natural means for flushing sewers should be judiciously utilised, and they direct attention to a Report made by the Board's Engineer on the 31st May, 1866, in which it is stated that the sewers on the South side of the River Thames "are so favourably situated for getting supplied from the Thames and from the upper portions of the Effra and Falcon-brook that the pumping necessitated at the outfalls forms almost the only limit to the means of flushing the greater portion of those sewers."

The escape of sewer-gases is at times very perceptible at the upper end of branch sewers. It is therefore necessary that provision should be made for flushing from the commencement, or "dead ends" of local sewers, as in the absence of such flushing those sewers are in dry seasons specially liable to be sources of nuisance.

In their reply to the Board's question on the subject of flushing, the Holborn District Board say—

The sewers in the Holborn District are flushed at regular intervals . . . A liberal supply of water, however, is found to be not only the best deodoriser, but the cheapest way of effectually flushing both sewers and pipe drains. In the summer months the paved surfaces of the whole of the courts and alleys in the District are periodically washed with water taken from the Company's mains . . . In this way not only are the surfaces of the courts and alleys kept clean, but the sewers below are well flushed out also.

Your Committee direct special attention to this statement, because they believe that if a similar course be taken in other Districts, not only will the general sanitary condition of such Districts be greatly improved, and the health and comfort of the inhabitants benefited, but that a large part of the nuisance now caused by sewer gas will be prevented. If during periods of exceptional drought surface cleansing could be generally carried out, not only would the branch sewers be cleared of much offensive deposit, but sufficient water would probably enter the larger sewers to dilute and remove the sewage matter without offence.

Provision is made for the escape of gases from the sewers, by ventilation, as if such provision were not made, sewer gas would be forced through the traps into houses at every sudden discharge into the sewers, and the health of every household would be imperilled.

The conditions governing the ventilation of sewers can only be briefly indicated in this Report, but it is desirable to refer to them, as the subject can only be properly considered in relation to such conditions. Temperature is a most powerful factor in this as in all ventilation. When the temperature of the air of the sewer is lower than that of the external atmosphere, and no other influence is at work, the colder atmosphere of the sewer, being heavier than the external air, remains in the sewer; but when the outer air becomes

colder and consequently heavier than the air in the sewer, it presses down through some of the openings to the sewer, and drives out the warmer and lighter air through other openings. This is noticeably the case on cool evenings in hot dry seasons, at which time the nuisance from sewer ventilators is probably at the worst. It is therefore necessary to provide in sewer as in all other ventilation, inlets for the cold air as well as outlets for the warmer air.

During the autumn and winter months the average temperature of the air of sewers is warmer than the external temperature by about 7 degrees; in spring the temperature is about equal; and in summer the external day temperature averages over 3 degrees warmer than that of sewers. At night the temperature of sewers at all times in the year is usually higher than the temperature of the external air. It will, therefore, be seen that throughout the greater part of the year the natural law by which the heavier colder air forces out by its greater weight the warmer air of the sewers, is in operation, and, if proper facilities are given, that law will ventilate the sewers.

The temperature of the air of sewers is, however, affected locally by hot water and other liquids which are very frequently poured into them. Every such discharge at once raises the temperature of the air in its vicinity, and the sudden expansion which follows causes air to escape from the nearest opening. In like manner, every increase in the quantity of sewage by the discharge from a drain into the sewer expels air from the sewers, and assists ventilation. In fact every rise or fall in the level of the sewage either expels or draws air into the sewer; and as the level of the sewage is constantly varying, this operates powerfully for ventilation.

The force and direction of the wind, varying barometric pressure, and various minor causes also affect sewer ventilation, but the only force, other than these, that need be mentioned here, is the strong tendency that flowing water or sewage has to drag along the air above it in the sewer. This influence is complicated, at any rate in sewers of considerable fall, by the counter-tendency of the air of the sewer to flow back up the sewer to its higher levels. This latter tendency is, in the Metropolis, particularly shown in the case of Hampstead, from which serious complaints have been received as to the nuisance from this back flow of sewer-gas from lower level sewers in other Districts.

Any system of sewer ventilation can only be successful to the extent that it is in accordance with natural law. Such a system should be as constant as possible in its operation, it should effect the greatest possible change in the air of sewers with the least amount of nuisance to the public, and it should do this automatically and economically. That no system of ventilating sewers has been found which is entirely successful, is probably due to the fact that the complexity of the conditions render a perfect system very difficult of attainment. Of the numerous schemes that have been proposed, by far the greater part deal with one section of the subject only, and do not take into account many of the practical considerations affecting sewers.

As an instance of this may be mentioned the proposal frequently made that the principle adopted in the ventilation of mines should be applied to sewers. That system as applied in mines has proved very successful indeed, but a practical knowledge of the conditions would show that the system is not applicable to sewers. Fresh air is drawn into a mine through one downcast shaft, and travels through the various galleries and cuttings to an upcast shaft, through which it passes from the mine. The force which moves the air is either a fire in the upcast shaft or a fan. Such a method cannot be applied to a system of sewers, because, instead of the air entering at one point, and being distributed equally throughout the system, it would be drawn into the sewers only through the drain openings nearest to the fan or exhaust shaft, and the remainder of the sewers would receive no benefit.

The only methods of ventilating sewers that experience has shown to be practicable, are—

- (a) By surface ventilation, that is to say, by shafts leading from the crown

of the sewer to the centre of the road, and covered at the road-level by open gratings ;

(b) By large separate shafts, factory chimney-shafts, and smaller shafts, in all of which fire or other heat is the motive-power ;

(c) By pipes or shafts without heat.

The objection to surface ventilators is rather on account of the gases escaping from them being more directly in evidence, than to their being more dangerous to health than in other methods of ventilation. Although the improvement effected by removing the point at which the sewer gases escape, from the side of footpaths to the centre of roads, was very great, both in reducing offence and in minimising danger to health, there can be no doubt that at times the system is, as at present carried out, a serious cause of nuisance.

The efficacy of surface ventilation depends upon the number, size, and construction of the ventilating shafts, the size of the openings for air in the gratings, and the relation of both shafts and openings to the size and character of the sewer to be ventilated. Your Committee find that the construction and size of the surface ventilators varies widely in the several districts of the Metropolis, and also in the various towns in the Kingdom. For instance, this method of ventilation is adopted either solely or in combination with other means in all parts of London, but the distance from each other at which the ventilating shafts are placed, varies in different parts of the Metropolis, from 17 yards to as much as 600 yards. The average distance apart in London is 120 yards. In other towns the distance apart of the ventilators varies from 30 yards to 200 yards, the usual distances being from 50 to 100 yards. In answer to the question addressed by the Board to the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis—"Do you consider that it would be advantageous to increase the number of surface ventilators?" 29 districts say "Yes." Of these, six districts approve of the ventilators being placed at from 20 to 50 yards apart; twelve districts recommend them to be placed from 60 to 80 yards apart; seven districts consider that they should be between 80 and 100 yards apart; three districts say the distance should be from 100 to 150 yards; and one district thinks the ventilators should not be more than 200 yards apart.

Two districts do not approve of surface ventilation, two are doubtful, and one district has no experience on the subject.

One measure of the effectiveness of any ventilating appliance is the size of the opening through which the escaping air or gas must pass. Every ventilating shaft should be as straight as possible, and large enough at its smallest part to pass the necessary quantity of gas or air. Sewer ventilating shafts connected with surface-ventilators usually answer these requirements, but the gratings do not. For instance, an 18-inch circular shaft has an opening for ventilation of 254·47 superficial inches, but the openings in the gratings above such shafts do not often exceed 48 inches—less than one-fifth of the capacity of the shaft. The openings in the surface gratings are, however, usually smaller than 48 inches. It will be seen in the appended return that in 17 districts of the Metropolis they vary from 27 to 40 inches; in nine districts from 40 to 50 inches; in six districts from 50 to 60 inches; in one district from 60 to 70 inches; and in only two districts does the ventilating capacity of the gratings reach from 70 to 80 inches. The surface gratings to the recently constructed sewers have ordinarily been placed at a distance of from 50 to 60 yards apart, and such gratings have air openings equal in area to 60 square inches, and your Committee consider that the number and size of many of the ventilators on other sewers in the Metropolis should be increased.

It has already been pointed out that some amount of road grit passes through the ventilating gratings and forms a deposit in the sewer at the foot of each ventilating shaft, and that this deposit causes nuisance by arresting the flow of the sewage, which

often forms a stagnant and offensive accumulation near to the ventilator. This may be obviated by placing under each grating a deep tray or catch-pit, care being taken that an air-passage, at least equal in size to the area of the openings in the grating, is left outside the tray; and the shaft should be enlarged at this part for the purpose. This tray should be emptied periodically, and the openings in the gratings should at the same time be cleared of mud.

The second method of ventilating sewers with which it is necessary for your Committee to deal, is that in which heat in some form is used to extract the air from sewers through shafts. The shafts may be the chimney-shafts at factories; large special shafts, with a fire burning in their base; or smaller special shafts; but the principle is the same with each, viz., the expansion by heat of the air in the shaft, which, in becoming lighter in consequence of such expansion, is rapidly driven upward through the shaft by the colder and heavier air from the sewer with which the shaft is connected. As already pointed out, this method is successfully adopted in the ventilation of mines, and the principle of it is quite sound, as it embodies the natural law which governs the movement of air. The principle is in operation in every house, as an ordinary chimney, when the fire is alight, draws from the room and discharges into the external atmosphere a very large quantity of air. A heated ventilating shaft attached to a sewer is of course equally effective in drawing air from the sewer and discharging it into the external atmosphere; and there may be cases where it would be desirable to ventilate a particular part of a sewer in this way. Such would be the case with a sewer where surface ventilation proved objectionable, and where the sewer could be connected with the chimney-shafts of factories. In such a case there would be no expenditure for fuel, and the expense of connecting the sewer with the chimney-shaft would be repaid by the amount of ventilation afforded. This has been done in a few cases, both in London and elsewhere, with benefit to the sewers within 50 or 60 yards of the shaft. Your Committee, however, do not consider that the system can be much extended. In the first place, very great difficulty has been experienced with owners of factories, who object to allow their chimney-shafts and furnaces to be made use of for such a purpose, and only in one or two cases has the necessary consent been given. The fact that separate shafts with fires in them solely for the purpose of ventilating sewers would, if generally adopted, entail an enormous expenditure, both in first cost and in maintenance, renders the adoption of that system undesirable, even if it could be made effectual.

The Board have constructed three special shafts in the Greenwich District, over the Southern Low Level Sewer, in which shafts coke fires are maintained, for the purpose of drawing the gases from the sewer and destroying the offensive effluvium. But the system of passing the gases through the fire which is adopted in these shafts has not been found to answer so well as the method of allowing the bulk of the gases from the sewer to pass into the shaft over the fire, very much in the same way as the air of a room passes into a chimney. The mechanical obstruction to the passage of air offered by the furnace bars and by the fire itself is so considerable, that, unless a large and fiercely burning fire is maintained in the shafts, the quantity of air which passes from the sewer is small. The estimated proportions of the air passing into the chimney in the case of an ordinary open fire are, to one volume of air which passes through the fire, nine volumes pass into the chimney over the fire. From this data it would follow that for any given quantity of coke consumed, a much greater amount of ventilation would be attained by making the air pass from the sewer to the shaft around and over as well as through the fire. Having regard to first cost, cost of maintenance, and to the limited amount of work they do, special shafts and furnaces have not proved successful in the ventilation of sewers, and the Board have, on the recommendation of Sir Joseph Bazalgette, decided not to increase the number. With this view your Committee entirely coincide. They consider that this system cannot be applied to the ventilation of sewers generally, and that it can only be locally used with advantage in exceptional cases.

The objections above stated apply with equal or greater force to the ventilation of sewers by means of a large number of small shafts, such as the ordinary lamp-posts, in which it is suggested heat should be used as a means of drawing out and then destroying the offensive air in the sewers. A number of suggestions of this character were made many years ago, and are described in the Engineer's Report of the 6th June, 1866. These suggestions were not of a practical nature, and were not seriously considered, and a more recent plan submitted to the Board, called "The Patent Hygienic Sewer Furnace System," comes within the same category. This system provides for the extraction of the air in sewers by means of gas furnaces, but as it is only claimed that from 800 to 1,000 feet of air will be drawn from a sewer per hour by the consumption of from 7 to 10 feet of gas, the cost of the maintenance of such a system would be enormous. The Board have already decided that such a system is not practically applicable in either the main or local sewers, and with this view your Committee agree.

The third method of ventilating sewers which your Committee have to deal with is ventilation by means of pipes or shafts carried from the crown of the sewer to the side of the road, and thence up houses or buildings. This method is gradually coming into greater use, more or less in combination with surface ventilators, and it is therefore necessary that its advantages and disadvantages should be carefully considered.

The plan usually adopted is to connect a stoneware pipe with the upper part or crown of the sewer to be ventilated, and to carry this pipe to the foot of an adjacent building, where it is connected with a metal pipe which is carried up to and above the roof. This pipe sometimes acts as an inlet for fresh air into the sewer, but ordinarily it acts as an outlet by which the gases in the sewer escape into the external atmosphere. About twenty years ago the Board put up a number of such pipes for assisting in the ventilation of the main sewers in the neighbourhood of Greenwich and Deptford. These pipes were of 4, 5 and 6 inches diameter, and were described in a Report made to the Board by the Engineer on the 31st May, 1866, as having, if of sufficient area, the same effect on the sewer as ordinary surface ventilators. The method was not, however, adopted to any extent with the Board's sewers, mainly owing to the great difficulty that was experienced in obtaining the consent of householders to the pipes being carried up their houses, as it was generally thought that there was danger of the sewer gases entering the houses by open windows or by chimneys.

Pipe ventilation has, however, been extensively adopted in many towns, and to some extent in the Metropolis by the Vestries and District Boards. Some of the Vestries, in complaining of the present system, suggest pipe ventilation as the remedy. The Vestry of Tooting-graveney, in their Memorial to the Board on the subject, say that "several persons have had shafts from the sewers carried up the sides of their houses, at their own expense, which have answered in their immediate neighbourhood; but to be successful the scheme should be general;" and they suggest that, as no power exists to compel owners to consent to such pipes, the Board should obtain Parliamentary powers to carry out that or any other plan of ventilating sewers which may prove efficient. This view has been supported by the Vestries of St. George, Hanover-square; St. James, Westminster; and St. Mary, Islington.

The Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, in the appended return, state that 137 pipe ventilators have been constructed in the City, but the ventilators are described as not having helped materially in reducing the nuisance from surface ventilators. In 22 out of 37 other Districts in the Metropolis, pipe ventilators have been to some extent used; and the total number of such ventilators provided by the Local Authorities in London appears to be 582, of which Lewisham has 149, the City 137, and Wandsworth 100. The result appears to have been satisfactory in the majority of the districts. In 12 districts the pipe ventilators are described as having abated nuisance, especially when used in connection with surface ventilators. In five districts the pipe ventilators, it is stated, have not abated nuisance. Fulham states

that the pipes have not materially abated nuisance, "as in certain atmospheric states they are inoperative." St. Saviour, Southwark, states that the ventilating pipes had to be abolished, as they were a nuisance to the inhabitants; and St. George, Hanover-square, states that owners would not consent to pipe ventilators being attached to their houses, and those erected had to be removed in consequence of repeated complaints. In Bethnal-green and in the Strand District it was not found practicable to obtain the consent of owners to the fixing of the pipes. Hampstead and St. James state that they are unable to decide whether the pipe ventilators have materially reduced the nuisance or not. Mile-end Old-town states that the pipe ventilators do not reduce nuisance "beyond the particular surface ventilator to which they are attached." Lewisham has the largest number of pipe ventilators of any district of the Metropolis, but the experience of that district is not conclusive, as the information as to their use which has been furnished is "where the surface ventilators have been closed the complaints have of course ceased."

Elsewhere than in London the system has been more extensively tried, the city of Coventry having erected 1,500 pipe ventilators, while other towns have also used them in considerable numbers. Out of 32 towns of which inquiry was made, 20 had tried this method of ventilating their sewers, but in 11 cases only to a small extent. The results were stated to have been satisfactory in 14 cases, and unsatisfactory in three cases. In the three remaining cases the result was not ascertained.

The advantage of pipe ventilation over surface ventilation consists in the discharge of the sewer gases at a point more remote from general observation than the centre of the public road-way. Whether or not the gases discharged through the pipes are more likely to be injurious to the inhabitants of the houses to which the pipes are attached depends entirely upon the position of the mouths of the ventilating pipes relatively to the openings of such houses. If the pipes can be carried to points distant from windows and chimneys then the danger would probably be not greater in one case than in the other, but if the pipes discharged at a few feet only from the openings of houses, then the danger would be greater from pipe ventilation than from surface ventilation.

The effectiveness of pipe ventilators in carrying off the gases from sewers depends on the capacity, construction, and number of the pipes. In most of the Metropolitan districts in which this system has been tried, the capacity of the pipe ventilators is small. In five districts the average capacity of the pipe ventilators is returned as 10 square inches, in six districts as 20 square inches, and in seven districts as 30 square inches. In the remaining districts there are 6 ventilators of 30 inches, 4 of 66 inches, 1 of 96 inches, and 1 of 144 inches. In the three districts in which pipe ventilators are most largely used, the City of London, with 137 ventilators, states that the average capacity of each is 20 square inches; Lewisham, with 144 ventilators, returns the minimum capacity as 28.27 square inches; and Wandsworth, with 100 ventilators, states that the capacity varies from 12 to 20 inches. It is probable, therefore, that the average capacity of pipe ventilators in the Metropolis is about 20 inches, which is insufficient.

Your Committee believe that pipe ventilators can be used with advantage in aid of the present system. Pipes should be carried up to the ridges of the roofs of adjacent buildings, where the owners' consent can be obtained, and they should discharge six or eight feet above the ridges, and as far from chimneys and windows as possible. These pipes should be of as large an area as possible, and angles should be avoided, as the pipes will do far more work where easy bends are substituted for angles. Such pipes would ordinarily make efficient up-cast shafts, the nearest surface ventilators becoming inlets for air or down-cast shafts.

Your Committee also are of opinion that a shaft should be carried up from the commencement or dead end of every sewer whenever a surface ventilator in the necessary position would be a source of nuisance. It is, of course, most important that fresh air

should flow freely through every part of sewers, and unless vents are provided at dead ends, which are the highest points of sewers, foul gases will accumulate, which may on sudden pressure be forced through the traps of the nearest houses.

In connection with pipe ventilation the use of cowls may be considered. It is claimed for cowls, "exhaust ventilators," and other special contrivances intended to be placed at the top of ventilating pipes, that the wind so acts upon such appliances as to exhaust the air from the pipes to which they are attached. If it is admitted that an up-current is established in the ventilating pipes when wind is impinging upon the cowls, it remains the fact that at the very time when assistance to ventilation is most needed, viz., when there is no motion in the external air, such appliances are quite useless. Various appliances have been fixed to ventilating pipes by the Board, by the Local Boards, and by various Town Authorities, and the almost invariable experience has been that they are useless. Some simple contrivance for preventing down-draught, and which does not obstruct the egress or ingress of air, may, however, be attached to the head of ventilating pipes with advantage.

It is necessary for your Committee to refer to the ventilation which is afforded to sewers where the house drains which discharge into such sewers are not shut off by means of intercepting traps. When that is the case, and the house drains are provided with means of ventilation (either through the rain-water pipes, through special ventilating pipes, or through other openings), the sewers are much benefited. Sewers have in the past been to a great extent ventilated in this way, and it is probably owing to such means of ventilation being gradually cut off by the construction of intercepting traps, that the necessity for providing other means of ventilating sewers has increased.

The desire of householders to shut the gases of sewers out of their house drains is becoming general; and the question has arisen whether, when that is effected by placing an intercepting trap in the house drain, equivalent ventilation for the sewer should not be provided by the householder. The Vestry of St. Pancras suggest, in the return which is appended, "that every house drain should be "carried direct from the sewer to the open air beyond the point at which the branch "connection furthest from the sewer is made with such main house drain," and that provision for the protection of the house from sewer gases should be made by trapping the side inlets into the main house drain. The Vestry of Kensington practically suggest the same thing, adding that whenever an intercepting trap is placed on the main house drain, the householder should carry a pipe up his house from the sewer side of such trap in order to contribute towards sewer ventilation.

The objections that can be raised against either of these methods of ventilating sewers through the drains of private houses are very much the same as those discussed under the head of "pipe ventilators," and it is therefore unnecessary to repeat them here. Your Committee believe that the general feeling against this method of ventilation will prevent its becoming general, unless it be made compulsory. As an instance of the disinclination of owners to allow their property to be made use of for ventilating sewers may be mentioned the experience of the City of London. In the autumn of last year the City Commissioners of Sewers resolved "that in all "instances where new houses are being erected, the Commissioners of Sewers place "themselves in communication with the building or other owner, and treat with him "or them for the construction of a proper ventilating shaft in the chimney-breasts, or "party or other walls, for the purpose of ventilating the sewers, carrying the ventilating "shafts well above all adjoining roofs;" but although this resolution was made over twelve months ago, your Committee understand that the Commissioners have not been successful in obtaining the necessary consent in one instance. Other drainage authorities have somewhat similar experience; and your Committee have come to the conclusion that any attempt at compulsion in this matter would be strenuously resisted.

At the same time it is desirable that your Committee should recommend the voluntary adoption of the system in those cases where it can be adopted with safety. It is essential that sewer gases should not be allowed to enter dwellings through the drain connections, or to discharge near to windows. But where the ventilating openings of house drains are at a considerable distance from the windows of houses, your Committee consider that such drains need have no intercepting trap. Every additional opening in a sewer gives an additional opportunity for fresh air to enter it, and if the sewer is well constructed and well flushed, and has a large number of openings, the air that escapes from it will be comparatively innocuous.

It cannot, however, be made too clear that house drains should be well ventilated, and that when that is not the case, an intercepting trap to shut off the gases from the sewer is desirable. Ventilation can best be provided, in the case of the drains of town houses, by carrying up every soil-pipe above the roof, leaving the top of such pipe quite open, and by carrying up another pipe from the point at which the drain leaves the premises on its way to the sewer. The last-named pipe may be a rain-water pipe, if the top of it is at some distance from windows, and its object is to keep a current of fresh air passing right through the drain—which it will effect, provided no trap is placed between the soil-pipes and the ventilating pipes. In suburban, &c., houses, where sufficient space is available, the drains can be ventilated at the ground level by means of receivers, or gully-holes, covered with a grating under which all soil, bath, sink, &c., pipes can discharge. From the upper floors, such pipes can discharge into an open hopper, from which a 3-inch or 4-inch pipe can communicate with the drain below. When properly constructed and regularly flushed, drains arranged in this simple method are never offensive, and, it need hardly be added, no gases can enter houses through them.

Your Committee, however, consider that it is of the utmost importance that house drains should be regularly flushed, especially in hot and dry weather, as otherwise they are liable to become offensive. If the flushing of house drains could be carried out generally at specified periods, so that such flushing would be simultaneously going on throughout a district, the condition of the sewers generally in such district would be greatly improved. Probably no better method of cleansing and purifying the sewers could be devised, and if the householders of a district were to regularly flush their drains at a specified time, every branch sewer of that district would also be well flushed and cleansed. The advantage of such a practice would extend to the local and main sewers, and not only would it relieve the district of the cost of flushing, but it would do the work more thoroughly than it could be done by the public authorities. Your Committee suggest that the Vestries and District Boards should recommend the householders in their several districts to flush their house drains regularly, and at the times to be specified by the Vestry or District Board.

The question of deodorising sewer gases before they escape through ventilating shafts or surface gratings has received much attention from drainage authorities and others interested in the subject. If, without materially interfering with the ventilation of the sewers, the gases could be readily, economically, and effectually deodorised before reaching the external air, one of the greatest difficulties in connection with the subject would be solved. This object has been attempted in various ways, either by means of fire, by the agency of chemical substances, or, more generally, by means of charcoal.

Wood charcoal, when it is fresh and dry, has the peculiar property of absorbing the offensive properties of sewer gases, and many authorities, including the Board, have been at great trouble and expense in the endeavour to utilise this quality in charcoal in overcoming the nuisance from sewer ventilators. It will be unnecessary for your Committee to describe the experiments with charcoal made by the Board and by other bodies, as whenever that substance has been used under the conditions that must always govern its use in sewer ventilators, it has totally failed. While it has remained dry,

charcoal has for a few days absorbed the effluvia from the small quantity of gas that has succeeded in passing through it, or rather through the interstices between the small pieces into which the charcoal has to be broken. But directly the moisture in suspension in the sewer has saturated the charcoal, it ceases to a great extent to act upon the effluvia. The only means of preventing this would be by constantly changing and re-burning the charcoal: and that might possibly be done, at great trouble and expense, if there was no other objection to the use of charcoal. But the opinion of the authorities who have most experience of its use is that placing a charcoal tray in a sewer ventilator is almost equivalent to closing that ventilator altogether. In six of the appended returns from the Vestries and District Boards charcoal is described as having been used with advantage, but that is probably due to the fact that little or no effluvia has, since its use, been noticed from the ventilating shafts in which it was placed. Out of 19 Vestries, &c., who have used it, 13 say it is useless on account of losing its virtue through wet, and through obstructing ventilation.

The system was, however, more thoroughly tried at Croydon than perhaps at any other place. The ventilating shafts of the Croydon sewers were fitted with a spiral tray, in which broken charcoal was packed, and the gases before reaching the external air had to pass between the layers of charcoal; the object of this arrangement being to bring the gases into contact with the charcoal with the minimum of mechanical obstruction to its escape. After thoroughly trying it for 10 years, during which time the charcoal was regularly replaced every 3 weeks, the Croydon Sanitary Authority abandoned the system because the charcoal could not be kept dry, and because it obstructed the ventilation of the sewers.

Deodorisation of the escaping gases by means of the heat obtained by burning coal gas in small furnaces attached to the ventilating shafts or pipes of sewers has been proposed, but the first cost and cost of maintenance would, apart from other considerations, be so enormous as to render the system impracticable.

There remains to be considered the question whether a remedy for the nuisance from sewer gases cannot to some extent be found in arresting putrefactive action within the sewers by means of some chemical agent, and the Board's recent experience in dealing with the sewage in this manner indicates that such a remedy may be successful. During the colder months the conditions are unfavourable to putrefactive action in the sewers, and no special treatment of the sewage may be at such times necessary; but during hot and dry weather decomposition is rapid, and your Committee are of opinion that it is then desirable to improve the condition of the sewage, and as far as possible prevent the formation of offensive gases.

The remarkable effect produced by the action of permanganic acid in destroying the foul odours emitted from decaying matters and in arresting their further putrefaction, suggests the means of attaining the desired object. The result of past experience has been to demonstrate most clearly that the quantity of re-agent required to destroy existing foul odours, and stay the production of others, is exceedingly small, viz.: from one to two grains of the crude manganate of soda, supplemented with about one-third that quantity of sulphuric acid, to each gallon of sewage. The ready manner in which this mixture has been applied by the Board, with such successful results, to the whole of the Metropolitan sewage during the past summer is evidence of its adaptability for the prevention of the serious nuisance arising during the hot weather from sewer gases. To obtain the maximum effect with the minimum of expenditure, it is advisable that the points of application should be multiplied to the greatest extent found practicable. With this object Local Boards should undertake the treatment of the sewage in the sewers in their respective districts, and householders, in addition to the flushing recommended in this report, should be urged to employ some method of deodorisation, in order that, as far as practicable, the formation of sewer gas may be effectually prevented. Your Committee are not prepared to recommend any particular

form of apparatus for effecting the above purpose. There are several kinds now before the public, which are well adapted to fulfil the desired object.

In submitting this proposal, the outcome of practical work carried out under the Board's direction, your Committee desire to point out the great benefit which would arise from a complete system of sewage deodorisation within the Metropolis. Instead of the sewage, as at present, arriving at the outfalls in a more or less putrescent condition, it would, although objectionable in appearance, be free, or nearly free, from odour, and in a condition far more amenable to subsequent treatment, and the resulting effluent would be superior to any that would otherwise be attainable.

Refuse liquids from manufacturing works should also undergo some treatment before admission into the sewers. The large quantity of foul matters (other than true sewage) daily sent into the sewers, alone constitutes a large proportion of the filth which the sewers convey. Your Committee are of opinion that if the existing statutory provisions with regard to these extra sources of contamination were amended, and power given to the Board to exclude the waste water, &c., from factories, the owners of which fail to comply with the Board's demands, an improvement would be effected in the present system.

Before summarising their conclusions, and the recommendations which arise out of such conclusions, your Committee think it necessary to record their opinion that the existing system of ventilating the sewers of the Metropolis, chiefly by means of surface ventilators in the centre of road-ways, has not proved satisfactory. The appended returns show that there is a wide divergence in the work of the several local sanitary authorities, both as to the provision of ventilators and as to the arrangements for cleansing. No sewer can be well ventilated unless the ventilators are both large and frequent, and yet it will be seen that in some districts the ventilators are some hundreds of yards apart, and in others that the area of the air openings in the ventilating gratings is much too small. It is only by the removal of such anomalies, and by the application of something like uniformity throughout the whole of the Metropolitan system of sewers, that really satisfactory results can be obtained. Your Committee trust that if the following conclusions and recommendations are adopted by the Vestries and District Boards the nuisance at present complained of will no longer exist.

Your Committee do not think that, at present, it is desirable that the powers given by the 83rd Section of the Metropolis Local Management Amendment Act, 1862, which authorises the Board to make Bye-laws for the guidance, direction, and control of the Vestries and District Boards in relation to the construction, maintenance, ventilation, and cleansing of sewers in their respective districts, should be brought into operation. Up to this time the local sewers of each district have been cleansed and ventilated in the manner considered best by the Vestry, and as there has been no generally accepted authority on the subject, great diversity in practice has almost necessarily arisen. Your Committee have now endeavoured to collect the results of the work and experience of the principal drainage authorities in the country, and to deduce from those results a series of general conclusions, which they trust will be acted upon voluntarily by the Local Drainage Authorities of the Metropolis, and it is only in the event of the Local Authorities abstaining from such voluntary action that your Committee consider it will be desirable for the Board to exercise their power to make Bye-laws.

The conclusions and recommendations of your Committee on the subject of the cleansing and ventilation of sewers are as follows—

1.—That any old and defective, disused, or partially disused sewers which may remain in any part of the Metropolis should be disconnected from the present sewerage system, cleansed, and filled up; and [that, where necessary, pipe or other proper sewers should be substituted.

2.—That stringent measures be taken by the Board and by the Vestries and District Boards, (a), for preventing road-sweepings passing into sewers, (b), for

preventing the discharge into sewers from manufactories and other places of improper substances, such as chemical refuse or trade filth, or of hot water or steam, so as to be the cause of nuisance.

3.—That the most important requirement for keeping sewers in satisfactory condition is a supply of water sufficient in quantity to carry the sewage in suspension through the sewers.

4.—That whenever the supply of water in sewers is insufficient for cleansing the sewers, effectual provision for cleansing such sewers should be adopted by flushing or other means.

5.—That one of the most effectual methods of flushing would be by means of water simultaneously discharged into house drains, as such a simultaneous discharge would flush branch sewers, then local sewers, and finally main sewers; that such a method of flushing can be effectually carried out by householders flushing their house drains periodically and simultaneously at stated times; that a great number of householders would probably be willing to co-operate with the authorities in improving the condition of the sewers in their district in this way; and that it is desirable that the several Vestries and District Boards should intimate upon what days and at what hours householders should flush their drains.

6.—That provision near the heads of branch sewers, for flushing such sewers from their commencement, is to be desired.

7.—That the practice of flushing the courts, alleys, small streets, &c., in poor districts, in summer, is to be highly recommended as a desirable method of flushing sewers and improving the sanitary condition of the districts.

8.—That next to effectual cleansing, one of the most important safe-guards against nuisance and danger to health from sewers is the dilution of the gases therein by a constant and plentiful supply of fresh air to the sewers by means of effective ventilation.

9.—That the ventilation of sewers in the Metropolis, by means of ventilating shafts leading to gratings in the centre of road-ways, has been the cause of complaint, owing to the imperfect manner in which the system has been carried out, the ventilators being deficient both in size and number.

10.—That the surface ventilators to the recently-constructed sewers have ordinarily been placed at a distance of from 50 to 60 yards apart, with air openings in the gratings equal to 60 square inches; and that the number and size of many of the ventilators on other sewers in the Metropolis should be increased.

11.—That the amount of ventilation afforded by large special ventilating shafts is in no way commensurate with their cost, and that the adoption of such shafts, with or without fire heat, or the connection of sewers with factory shafts, can only be adopted in very exceptional circumstances. Where shafts with fires are used, the sewer gases should be allowed to pass into such shafts over as well as through the fires, otherwise the amount of ventilation afforded will be very much limited.

12.—That pipe ventilators of large section, and constructed with bends and without angles, can be used with great advantage in addition to, and not in substitution for, surface ventilators, wherever the consent of owners and occupiers can be obtained to such ventilators being affixed.

13.—That your Committee are of opinion that the ventilation of the sewers of the Metropolis may be improved by altering the construction of many of the surface ventilators as previously recommended, and by carrying up large pipe ventilators at convenient points wherever practicable.

14.—That the use of charcoal or of other appliances for deodorising gases in sewer ventilators is undesirable, as such appliances do much harm by obstructing ventilation, are costly and troublesome, and are quite unsuitable for general use over a large sewerage system.

15.—That during the cold and wet seasons the arrangements suggested in this Report for providing ventilation will be sufficient, as putrefaction proceeds so slowly at low temperatures, and when the sewage is diluted with large volumes of fresh water, that the foul matters pass from the sewers before material quantities of offensive gases are generated.

16.—That during dry and hot weather the foregoing recommendations respecting the flushing and cleansing be carried out as far as practicable, especially in sewers having only a small flow of water.

17.—That in addition to these precautions, a system of deodorisation during the summer be arranged for the main sewers, on the plan adopted by the Board during the past summer; that Local Boards be requested to adopt a similar system with local sewers, and to use all their influence to induce householders to employ in their house-drains suitable deodorising agents during periods of high temperature and drought.

18.—That manufacturers and others discharging refuse into the sewers be compelled to so treat their waste water (by such process as they may deem fit, but to the Board's satisfaction) that it shall have no greater *deoxidising* power than average household sewage.

19.—That your Committee are not prepared to recommend the Board to exercise the powers given by 83rd Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act for making bye-laws for the guidance, direction, and control of the Vestries and District Boards, and other persons in relation to the maintenance, cleansing, ventilation, &c., of sewers, until it is shown that the suggestions made herein have not been voluntarily adopted.

20.—That a copy of this Report and appendix be forwarded to each Vestry and District Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

ALFRED POCKOCK,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
FRED^K INGOLDBY,
F. M. WENBORN.

The Report having been received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, and seconded—That the Report be approved, and that a copy thereof be sent to each Vestry and District Board.

An *amendment* thereon was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Cook, M.P.,—That the consideration of the Report be deferred for six weeks, and that in the meantime a copy thereof be sent to each Vestry and District Board.

The *motion* having been, by leave of the Board, withdrawn,

The *amendment* was put as an *original motion*, and was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

7. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 19th January, 1886.

On the 8th instant, the Board's attention was called by one of its Members to the delay which had occurred in the attendance of the Brigade at a fire at Vauxhall on the

previous day, which was the day immediately following that on which there was a heavy fall of snow. It was thereupon referred to your Committee to report how far the Fire-alarm communications had been interrupted by the breaking down of the overhead wires during the snowstorm. The Chief Officer has reported that on the 6th instant the day of the snowstorm, 34 of the direct lines of communication by telegraph or telephone, and 26 Fire-alarm circuits broke down, and that during the five days next following, four of the direct lines and six circuits failed, making a total of 38 direct lines and 32 circuits out of order. Since then 23 direct lines and 28 Fire-alarm circuits have been put in order by the Post Office authorities, and the remainder are being attended to. Your Committee, in accordance with the reference, report the facts [for the Board's information.

The Chief Officer has reported that the Steam Fire-engine No. 60, which was made for the Board by Messrs. Shand, Mason and Co., in the year 1866, and which has consequently been in use for nearly 20 years, is worn out, and that it is not advisable to spend any more money in repairing it. Messrs. Shand, Mason and Co., offer to take the old engine back, and to supply a new one for £335, and your Committee recommend—

That their offer be accepted.

Three Fourth-class Firemen, whose names are Charles T. Brown, Sydney Gallehawk, and John Jones, have been reported for misconduct sufficiently serious to render it undesirable that they should remain in the Brigade. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That these three men be dismissed.

Your Committee have also to report that First-class Fireman George Hotston, and Fourth-class Firemen James Brent and Francis Tennant have withdrawn from the service, and that their names have accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Your Committee have, further, to submit the following recommendations—

That Second-class Fireman George Coles be promoted to the First Class; Third-class Fireman James Thomas to the Second Class; and Fourth-class Fireman William G. Jacobs to the Third Class.

That Henry Moore, Edgar Millard, Arthur Ryan, and Thomas Rowbottom be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

Your Committee have also to report, for the Board's information, that they have accepted the Tender of Mr. G. Bray to supply a new Van for carrying Fire-escapes and long Ladders for the sum of £65.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

GEO. HILL,
W. R. SELWAY,
AND. MIDDLEMASS,
GEO. EDWARDS,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
W. J. WETENHALL,
ROBT. JONES.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded and resolved—That, inasmuch of the Steam Fire-engine, No. 60, is unfit for further use, the offer of Messrs. Shand, Mason and Co. to take back the old Engine and to supply a new one for £335, be accepted.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That Fourth-class Firemen Charles T. Brown, Sydney Gallehawk, and John Jones, be dismissed for misconduct.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That the following promotions be made, viz.—Second-class Fireman George Coles to the First Class; Third-class Fireman

James Thomas to the Second Class; and Fourth-class Fireman William G. Jacobs to the Third Class.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That Henry Moore, Edgar Millard, Arthur Ryan, and Thomas Rowbottom be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

8. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 19th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that the works required to be done to the Canterbury Music-hall in Westminster-bridge-road, by the Award of the Arbitrator, the substance of which was reported to the Board on the 19th October, 1883 (No. 13) have been completed, and your Committee recommend—

That the Justices of Surrey be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have also to report their proceedings under the Resolution of the Board of the 30th October last (No. 12) authorising them to confer with the Owners of the Helvetia Music-hall (late Hibernian Stores), Nos. 6 and 7, Old Compton-street, St. Anne's, Soho, upon the Eight Requisitions contained in the Board's draft Notice with respect to the structural defects of the building. The Solicitors to the Owners asked in the first instance for an extension of the time allowed for sending in their objections to the Requisitions, and subsequently stated that their clients had decided to drop their License rather than carry out the required alterations. No steps appear to have been taken, however, for obtaining the formal cancelment of the License, nor have any detailed observations been submitted upon the Board's Requisitions. Under these circumstances your Committee, having received a Report from your Solicitor on the subject, consider it desirable to proceed in the usual course for obtaining the removal of the structural defects of the building, and they are therefore of opinion that a sealed Notice, containing the following Requisitions, being the same as those contained in the draft Notice, should be served upon the Owners of the Hall.

1.—That a brick wall 9 inches thick without openings, be built on the West side of the entrance vestibule on the ground floor, to divide such vestibule from the private bar of the Public-house adjoining to the Westward, and that the window between the private bar and the staircase to the upper rooms of the Public-house be stopped up with brickwork the full thickness of the wall in which such window is situated.

2.—That the floor of the entrance vestibule and the staircase-hall adjoining be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

3.—That the wooden staircase between the ground floor and the first floor of the Public-house be removed, and be re-placed by a stone staircase not less than 4 feet wide; that such staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, not less than 4 feet wide in the clear; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be not less than 4 feet wide and 6 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the floor of the Hall and of the passage-way at the rear be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

5.—That the door-way at the South-West angle of the passage-way at the rear of the Hall be stopped up with brickwork the full thickness of the wall in which such door-way is situated.

6.—That the floors of so much of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house as extend over the Hall and the passage-way adjoining, be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

7.—That the skylights at the rear of the buildings be protected by stout galvanised iron wire guards fixed on the outside.

8.—That all door-ways used by the public be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, and that the doors be made to open outwards.

Your Committee also recommend—

That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor ; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same ; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owners of the Hall.

Your Committee have further to report that the works required to be done to the Metropolitan Music-hall in Edgware-road, by the Award of the Arbitrator, the purport of which was reported to the Board on the 9th January, 1885 (No. 11), have been completed, and your Committee recommend—

That the Justices of Middlesex be informed accordingly.

The works required by the Board to be done to the Seabright Palace of Varieties (otherwise the Belmont Music-hall) in Hill-street, Gloucester-street, Hackney-road, as specified in their Minutes of the 8th May last (No. 16) have also been completed, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That the Justices of Middlesex be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have also to report the completion of the works required by the Board to be done to the Wellington Hall in Wellington-street, Islington, as specified in their Minutes of the same date as the preceding case, and your Committee recommend—

That the Justices of Middlesex be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have had under consideration the question of the steps it is desirable to take with respect to the Portland Hall, formerly the Portland Bazaar, in Langham-place, Regent-street. The Hall is about 121 feet long by 51 feet wide, and is approached by a vestibule about 8 feet wide and 50 feet long. The Hall has a wooden gallery around three of its sides, the only access to which is by a wooden staircase with an open well hole. The ground floor of the Hall will accommodate about 700 persons, and the gallery about 300. It came to the knowledge of your Committee on the 14th July last that it was proposed to establish an Indian Village Exhibition and entertainment in the building, and your Committee thereupon pointed out to the promoters the necessity of obtaining the Board's Certificate, under the Act of 1878. In the same month an application was made by Mr. H. E. Coe, for such Certificate in respect of the bazaar and a proposed addition thereto on the North side, but the Drawings received from him were incomplete and unsatisfactory. The applicant was therefore requested to submit amended Drawings, and immediately after the recess, the application for the Certificate was renewed by Mr. C. J. Phipps, on behalf of the promoters. The accompanying Drawings were, however, still unsatisfactory in several particulars, and your Committee were consequently unable to comply with the applicant's request that they would intimate their conditional approval of the same for the information of the Licensing Magistrates. But the absence of the Board's Certificate, your Committee regret to report, did not prevent the issue of the Magistrates' License, which was granted on the 8th October last. In consequence of a change of ownership, Mr. Phipps soon afterwards deposited new Drawings of certain proposed alterations and additions to the building. For the third

time the Drawings were found to be such as your Committee could not recommend for approval, and immediately after this decision was arrived at, the application for the Board's Certificate was withdrawn. Extensive alterations have, however, been carried out at the premises, which have recently been opened as a place of public resort under the name of "India in London." The entertainment provided is of a somewhat similar character to that at the Japanese Native Village, in Humphreys' Hall, being illustrative of Indian arts and manufactures, and including dramatic and musical performances. These performances are given upon a stage at the Eastern end of the Hall, which has scenery, foot-lights and gas battens, and is separated from the auditorium by a proscenium wall. The gallery is occupied, as is also a portion of the ground floor, by small wooden shops in which native artificers carry on their trades. Your Committee are of opinion that it is the duty of the Board to enforce in this case the provisions of the Act of 1878, making it unlawful for any place of public resort to be kept open within the Metropolis until the Board shall have granted their Certificate to the effect that such place was, on its completion, in accordance with their Regulations. Your Committee, therefore, recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to take proceedings against the person or persons who are keeping open the Portland Hall, formerly the Portland Bazaar, Langham-place, St. Marylebone, as a place of public entertainment, without having previously obtained the Certificate of the Board, pursuant to the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, for the recovery of the penalties prescribed by the Twelfth Section of such Act.

Your Committee beg to submit herewith two Reports which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under Magistrates' Orders at the premises therein mentioned, the same being Dangerous Structures, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrates to be done at the following premises, the same being Dangerous Structures, viz.—

Party-wall between Nos. 287 and 289, New-cross-road, Deptford.
No. 6, Myrdle-street, Mile-end Old-town.

Your Committee have had under consideration the question of the power of the Board to regulate, by new Bye-laws, the use of concrete in buildings. Your Committee reported, on the 2nd October last, the decision of the Magistrate, dismissing a Summons which had been obtained by the District Surveyor in respect of Artizans' Dwellings in Zoar-street, Southwark; and the Board then authorised their Solicitor to give the District Surveyor the necessary legal assistance upon the appeal. Upon further consideration your Solicitor has thought it inexpedient to proceed with the appeal, and your Committee have had before them the general question of the power of the Board to deal with concrete buildings. The Board have jurisdiction in the matter under the existing Bye-laws, which were sanctioned in 1879, so far as the foundations of houses and buildings are concerned, but your Solicitor is of opinion that the Board have at present no authority to make Bye-laws as to concrete buildings generally. Your Committee have, therefore, prepared, in conference with the Officers, new Bye-laws relating to concrete walls, together with clauses as to the duties and remuneration of the District Surveyors in connection therewith. Printed copies of the proposed Bye-laws have been forwarded to the Members of the Board, and your Committee now submit them for approval, and recommend—

That they be approved by the Board, and be sent to the Home Secretary for confirmation; also, that such Bye-laws, together with notice of the Board's intention to apply for confirmation of the same, be advertised, and that copies of such Bye-laws and notice be delivered at the office of the Royal Institute of British Architects and of the Institution of Surveyors, as required by the 16th Section of the Act.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. O. Parker, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of buildings on the North side of Abbey-street, between Neckinger-street and Parker's-row, Bermondsey, to the line shown upon the Plan

accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 11th December, 1885 (No. 62). The Board, on the 11th January, 1886, and again on the 14th November, 1884, refused to sanction the erection of buildings in Abbey-street, between Druid-street and Parker's-row. The applicant states that he is entitled to the immediate or early reversion of the whole of the premises in this part of Abbey-street, except the "Star" Music-hall and the "Star and Garter" Public-house. The amended Plan is approved by the Vestry on certain conditions, and your Committee think that it may be sanctioned by the Board. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the re-erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 22nd instant, that the frontage of the proposed building at the corner of Parker's-row, be set back to the Western side of the canted angle of the "Prince of Teck" Beer-shop; that the land coloured Pink on the Plan be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor for Bermondsey, relative to an iron pent roof recently erected in front of No. 188, Southwark-park-road, Bermondsey, without the consent of the Board, referred by the Board on the 30th October last (No. 46). Your Committee instructed your Solicitor to obtain a Summons at once against the builder of the pent-roof, if erected within the last Six months. It appears, however, upon enquiry, that the structure was built more than four years since; and your Committee, thinking it useless to proceed further, recommend—

That no action be taken by the Board in the matter, and that Mr. Williams be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the Letters from the District Surveyor for West St. Pancras, and an owner of adjoining property, relative to the erection of a one-storey addition at the rear of No. 79, Queen's-crescent, at the corner of St. John's-gardens, Haverstock-hill, referred by the Board on the 23rd ultimo (No. 43). The flank addition referred to in the Letters is being erected beyond the general frontage line in St. John's-gardens. Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor, that the attention of the Vestry should be called to the subject; and they recommend—

That the attention of the Vestry of St. Pancras be called to the matter, in order that, if necessary, they may have the line of frontage decided by the Superintending Architect, and take proceedings under the 75th Section of the Act 25 and 26 Vic., c. 102, and that the parties interested be informed of the course taken.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Mile-end Old-town, stating that their Sanitary Committee had inspected five houses in Greenfield-street, and found that new buildings had been constructed which reduced the space at the rear thereof to 105 superficial feet, and suggesting that if the law was insufficient to prevent the building on inadequate sites, and thus not to provide proper ventilation, a Bill should be introduced into Parliament to deal with such cases, referred by the Board on the 23rd ultimo (No. 30). Your Committee have had before them Reports by your Solicitor and your Superintending Architect, from which it appears that, the buildings having been erected upon old foundations, the space given is in accordance with the Building Act. Your Committee have instructed your Superintending Architect to make a note of the case, with a view to legislation at some future time, and they recommend—

That the substance of the Solicitor's and Superintending Architect's Reports on the subject be communicated to the Vestry of Mile-end Old-town in reply to their Letter, and that the Vestry be informed that a Memorandum of the case has been made with a view to future legislation.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Plumstead District Board, calling attention to the erection of a barrier across Brewery-road, Plumstead, and asking the Board to take such proceedings as they may deem advisable, referred by the Board on the 23rd October last (No. 14). The Board on the 13th November last instructed their Solicitor to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for

a Summons, if necessary. Your Solicitor has received a Letter from the District Board, stating that the person who erected the fence has left the neighbourhood. Your Committee concur in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor, that no further proceedings should be taken under the circumstances, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. S. M. Bellenger, relative to the formation of a mews at the rear of houses on the North side of Uxbridge-road, Hammersmith, contrary to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd May last, referred by the Board on the 16th October last (No. 53). The Board, on the 30th October last, instructed their Solicitor to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary. It appears from enquiries made that the builder is simply making an addition to a carriage-factory belonging to a Mr. Atlee, and your Solicitor is of opinion that it is not desirable to continue the proceedings. Your Committee, concurring in that view, recommend—

That no further action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Bellenger be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. H. Jarvis, District Surveyor for Camberwell, stating that the erection of houses in a new street leading out of Acorn-place, Peckham, was being proceeded with, although the Plan for the formation of the street had not been sanctioned by the Board, referred by the Board on the 19th December, 1884 (No. 69). The Board on the 9th January, 1885, instructed their Solicitor to take the necessary proceedings, and he obtained a conviction against the builder, who gave notice of appeal, but has not proceeded with the special case. Your Solicitor is of opinion that it is not advisable to proceed for continuing penalties, having regard to the decision of the Judges in the recent case of “the Board *v.* Nathan.” Your Committee, concur in that opinion, and they have given directions that a note of the case shall be made with a view to legislation at some future time. They recommend—

That no further action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Jarvis be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. R. Cruwys, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Milkwood-road, Herne-hill, Lambeth, referred by the Board on the 16th October last (No. 47). The Board, on the 30th October last, granted the application, on condition that the Solicitor was satisfied as to the ownership of the land. Your Solicitor has reported that possession of a portion of the land required for the formation of one of the outlets of the roads cannot be obtained for a period of five years. Under these circumstances your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor for North St. Pancras, relative to the formation, by Mr. S. Hensby, of a mews leading out of the North-East side of Colva-street, Highgate-new-town, without the approval of the Board, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 68). It appears from your Solicitor's Report that the site in question was, in 1880, occupied by old stables which Mr. Hensby stated it was necessary to pull down and re-build. Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor that it is a case in which proceedings are unnecessary, and they recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Bovill be so informed.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 42), referred to your Committee a Letter from Mr. E. Taylor, stating that it was his intention to proceed with the erection of a house in Acre-lane, Brixton, in accordance with his building Agreement. The Board have not sanctioned the erection of the building referred to, and your Committee concur in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor, that the attention of the Lambeth Vestry should be drawn to the matter, in order that they may be able to take proceedings if they think it advisable; and your Committee recommend—

That the attention of the Vestry of Lambeth be called to the matter, in order that, if necessary, they may have the line of frontage decided by the Superintending Architect, and take proceedings under the 75th Section of the Act 25 and 26 Vict., c. 102.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. J. Lidiard, stating that the District Surveyor had issued a Summons against the builder for the removal of a temporary building erected in Oldridge-road, Clapham, for an Athletic Club, and asking permission to attend the Building Act Committee and explain the matter, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 41). The Board, in May last, granted their sanction to the erection and the retention of the building for a period of two years, and a License was accepted upon the usual conditions. The building differs very materially from the Drawings which were approved by the Board, particularly in reference to the construction of the roof; and the District Surveyor accordingly instituted proceedings against the builder. Your Committee, having received Mr. Lidiard, and heard his explanation, see no reason to interfere, and they recommend—

That no action be taken by the Board in the matter, and that Mr. Lidiard be so informed.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Memorial from certain Freeholders and Owners of land in Upper Paget-road, Plumstead, relative to the erection of a Chapel and School buildings on the North side of Herbert-road, at the corner of Upper Paget-road, alleged to be in advance of the general line of buildings in the last-mentioned road, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 67). The buildings referred to by the Memorialists have not yet been commenced, but preparations are being made for their erection. Portions of the buildings will be in advance of the frontage line in Upper Paget-road, but there will be no infringement of the line in Herbert-road. Your Committee having received explanations from the parties interested, and having examined Plans of the proposed buildings, recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that the Memorialists and the Plumstead District Board be so informed.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration the application of Messrs. Baker and Sons, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of roads to lead out of Fortune-green-lane, Hampstead, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 52). The Board, on the 30th October last, declined to approve of the formation of roads upon the Estate. The present Plan shows additional outlets, and the Vestry of Hampstead approve of the proposal. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected, or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the roads, and that the names "Agamemnon-road, N.W.," "Ajax-road, N.W.," "Ulysses-road, N.W.," and "Achilles-road, N.W.," be approved for the same, and upon the further condition that the applicants do satisfy the Solicitor of the Board as to their ownership of the land required for access to Hillfield-road and Child's-hill.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Walker and Runtz, on behalf of Mr. T. Arno, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops at the corner of Truman's-place and Salcombe-road, Stoke Newington, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 39). The proposed shops will be brought out to the line of forecourts in Salcombe-road and Pellerin-road. The thoroughfares are 40 feet in width, and your Committee having received explanations from the applicants, are of opinion that the Plan may be sanctioned by the Board. The Hackney District Board opposed the application, but failed to attend before your Committee, and explain their objections. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the shops therein referred to be erected in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. H. W. Perrers, on behalf of

Mr. C. Watkins, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the South side of Lower Richmond-road, Putney, referred by the Board on the 18th December last (No. 68). The Wandsworth District Board object to the application, on account of the narrowness of Biggs-row. Your Committee are informed by the applicant that the freeholders have not yet sanctioned any Plan for plotting the ground, and, under those circumstances, your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Messrs. J. and F. Drake, on behalf of Mr. J. A. Rolls, M.P., for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses in Coburg-road, Old Kent-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 47). The houses will be erected so as to leave forecourts 10 feet deep, and bay-windows will be constructed in front, projecting 2 feet 6 inches beyond the main wall. The Vestry of Camberwell approve of the application, and your Committee recommend—

That the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the houses therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months, from the 22nd instant, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. H. Shaw, on behalf of Mr. H. S. Vandeleur, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an enclosed portico upon a portion of the forecourt of No. 46, Cadogan-square, Chelsea, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 49). The portico is proposed to be enclosed in a similar manner to the portico at No. 42, Cadogan-square, and will project 8 feet in advance of the houses in this part of the Square. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the portico therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months, from the 22nd instant, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. Owen, on behalf of Messrs. Parry and Jones, for the permission of the Board to retain a projecting porch and barge-boards recently erected at the Welsh Chapel in Southerton-road, Hammer-smith, as shown on the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 50). The barge-boards are 12 inches in width, and project 6 inches from the face of the wall. Most of the houses in the road have bay-windows projecting to about the extent of the proposed porch. Your Committee see no objection to the barge-boards remaining, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erections be in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. J. E. Sears, on behalf of Mr. H. J. Kimbell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop upon a portion of the forecourt of No. 381, Hornsey-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 52). The Board, on the 7th August last, refused their consent to the erection of two one-storey shops upon portions of the forecourts of Nos. 379 and 381, Hornsey-road. The amended Plan submitted by the applicant shows a one-storey shop in front of No. 381, brought out to a line set back 4 feet from the public way, and it is also proposed to surrender a small piece of ground to the public way. Your Committee consider the proposal objectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board, on the 8th instant (No. 55), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. T. W. Adams, on behalf of Mr. C. R. Camp, for approval by the Board of a

Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron building at the rear of No. 28, Marlborough-road, Old Kent-road. It is proposed to erect the building at the rear of the premises, within 8 feet of the house and 2 feet 6 inches of the adjoining property. Your Committee consider it undesirable for the Board to sanction the erection of a building of this nature in such close proximity to dwellings, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. H. Grist, on behalf of the Minister and Deacons of the Rectory-road Congregational Church, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church erected at the corner of Rectory-road and Evering-road, Stoke Newington, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 56). The building was first approved by the Board in the year 1881, and an extension of the Board's approval was granted for two years from November, 1883. Application is now made for a further extension of two years. The District Surveyor states that the building is in a good and substantial condition. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of two years from the 22nd instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of the Rev. F. C. Beckley, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-room at the rear of St. Patrick's Church in Greenbank, Wapping, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 57). The building will be 40 feet by 20 feet, and 8 feet high to the eaves, and will be erected on ground belonging to and adjoining St. Patrick's Church. The construction is that usually adopted in erections of this description, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of two years from the 22nd instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

The Board on the 8th instant (No. 59), referred to your Committee the application of Messrs. Hemming and Co., for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected upon land adjoining the North London Railway, in Morville-street, Bow. The Board on the 2nd November, 1883, granted their approval of the building for a period of two years. The applicant now desires a renewal of the License. The District Surveyor states that the building is in a good and substantial condition. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of two years from the 22nd instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. L. Denchfield, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to No. 21, Lower Woolwich-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 38). The shops, although 5 feet in advance of the adjoining buildings to the Westward, will be in a line with the shops East and West, at the corner of Aldburgh-street and Horn-lane. The Greenwich District Board offer no objection. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the addition therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 22nd instant, and also upon condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Rev. C. H. Simpkinson, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Mission-hall, erected in connection with Holy Trinity Church, at Blackheath-hill, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 50). The Board on the 30th November,

1883, granted their approval of the building for a period of two years. The District Surveyor reports that the structure is in a sound condition. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, for a period of two years from the 22nd instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor for the District of Bermondsey and St. John, St. Olave and St. Thomas, Southwark, for the Board's sanction to the removal of his District Office from No. 4, Bermondsey-square to No. 15, Railway Approach, London Bridge, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 61). The District Surveyor's present office is about to be removed by the Board for the purposes of the Star-corner Improvement, and he states that he can find no suitable office except at Railway Approach, which is situated at the North-West boundary of his District. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

A. EWIN,
W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. SHEPHERD.

The draft Bye-laws, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Justices of Surrey be informed that the works required by the Board to be done to the Canterbury Music-hall, Westminster-bridge-road, have been completed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That, inasmuch as the Owners of the Helvetia Music-hall (late Hibernian Stores), Nos. 6 and 7, Old Compton-street, Soho, have not submitted any detailed observations upon the Board's Requisitions with respect to the structural defects of the building, a sealed Notice, containing the following Requisitions, being the same as those contained in the draft Notice, be served upon them—

1.—That a brick wall, 9 inches thick without openings, be built on the West side of the entrance vestibule on the ground floor, to divide such vestibule from the private bar of the Public-house adjoining to the Westward, and that the window between the private bar and the staircase to the upper rooms of the Public-house be stopped up with brickwork the full thickness of the wall in which such window is situate.

2.—That the floor of the entrance vestibule and the staircase-hall adjoining be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

3.—That the wooden staircase between the ground floor and the first floor of the Public-house be removed, and be re-placed by a stone staircase not less than 4 feet wide; that such staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandrel") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, not less than 4 feet wide in the clear; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be not less than 4 feet wide and 6 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches 9 inches thick, in two half-

brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the floor of the Hall and of the passage-way at the rear be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

5.—That the door-way at the South-West angle of the passage-way at the rear of the Hall be stopped up with brickwork the full thickness of the wall in which such door-way is situated.

6.—That the floors of so much of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house as extend over the Hall and the passage-way adjoining, be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

7.—That the skylights at the rear of the buildings be protected by stout galvanised iron wire guards fixed on the outside.

8.—That all door-ways used by the public be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, and that the doors be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owners of the Hall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Justices of Middlesex be informed that the works required by the Board to be done to the Metropolitan Music-hall, Edgware-road, have been completed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Justices of Middlesex be informed that the works required by the Board to be done to the Seabright Palace of Varieties (otherwise the Belmont Music-hall), Hill-street, Gloucester-street, Hackney-road, have been completed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Justices of Middlesex be informed that the works required by the Board to be done to the Wellington Hall, Wellington-street, Islington, have been completed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Solicitor be instructed to take proceedings against the person or persons who are keeping open the Portland Hall, formerly the Portland Bazaar, Langham-place, St. Marylebone, as a place of public entertainment, without having previously obtained the Certificate of the Board, pursuant to the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, for the recovery of the penalties prescribed by the Twelfth Section of such Act.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owners of the party-wall between Nos. 287 and 289, New-cross-road, Deptford, had failed to comply with the Orders made by Robert Henry Bullock Marsham, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Greenwich Police-court, on the 15th day of October last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby *resolved* and *ordered*, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the defective portion of the party-wall between Nos. 287 and 289, New-cross-road, Deptford.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear,

to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 6, Myrdle-street, Mile-end Old-town, had failed to comply with the Order made by Franklin Lushington, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Thames Police-court, on the 18th day of December last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are authorised, to take down so much of the front wall and the chimney-stack of the Structure, No. 6, Myrdle-street, Mile-end Old-town, as is bulged, defective, and out of the perpendicular.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That, subject to confirmation of the same by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, the following Bye-laws be made under the provisions of the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878—

METROPOLIS MANAGEMENT AND BUILDING ACTS AMENDMENT ACT, 1878, SEC. 16.

ADDENDA TO BYE-LAWS.

2A.—*Description and Quality of the substance of Walls.*

Whenever concrete is used in the construction of walls, the concrete shall be composed of Portland cement and of clean Thames or Pit ballast, or gravel, or broken brick or stone, or furnace clinkers, with clean sand in the following proportions, viz., one part of Portland cement, two parts of clean sand, and three parts of the coarse material, which is to be broken up sufficiently small to pass through a two-inch ring.

The proportions of the materials to be strictly observed, and to be ascertained by careful admeasurement; and the mixing either by machine or hand to be most carefully done with clean water, and, if mixed by hand, the material to be turned over dry before the water is added.

The walls to be carried up regularly and in parallel frames of equal height, and the surface of the concrete filled in, the frame to be left rough and uneven to form a key for the next frame of concrete.

The thicknesses of concrete walls to be equal at the least to the thicknesses for walls to be constructed of brick-work prescribed by the 12th Section in the First Schedule of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855.

Such portions of concrete party-walls and chimney-stacks as are carried above the roofs of buildings to be rendered externally with Portland cement.

3A.—*Duties of District Surveyors.*

It shall be the duty of each District Surveyor on receiving notice of the commencement of any house, building, or other erection, or of any alteration or addition, or on his becoming aware that any house, building, or other erection, or any alteration or addition is being proceeded with, to see that the provisions of the foregoing Bye-laws are duly observed (except in cases where the Board may have dispensed with the observance thereof), and to see that the terms and conditions upon which any dispensation may have been granted are complied with.

4A.—*Fees to be paid to District Surveyors.*

There shall be paid to the District Surveyor, in respect of his supervision of every building constructed wholly or in part with concrete walls, a fee one-half more in amount than the fee to which he would be entitled under the Building Act for new buildings or additions. No additional fee is, however, to be charged in respect of any alteration to a concrete building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That application be made to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, to confirm the foregoing Bye-laws, as required by the Act; that the said Bye-laws and notice of the Board's intention to apply for confirmation of the same, be advertised, and that copies of the Bye-laws and notice be delivered at the Offices of the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Institution of Surveyors, as required by the 16th Section of the Act of 1878.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. O. Parker, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of buildings on the North side of Abbey-street, between Neckinger-street and Parker's-row, Bermondsey, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the re-erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the frontage of the proposed building at the corner of Parker's-row be set back to the Western side of the canted angle of the "Prince of Teck" Beer-shop; that the land coloured Pink on the Plan be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken by the Board with reference to the Letter from Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor, as to an iron pent roof recently erected in front of No. 188, Southwark-park-road, Bermondsey, without the consent of the Board, and that Mr. Williams be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letters from the District Surveyor for West St. Pancras, and an Owner of adjoining property, as to the erection of a one-storey addition at the rear of No. 79, Queen's-crescent, at the corner of St. John's-gardens, Haverstock-hill, be approved, and that the attention of the Vestry of St. Pancras be called to the matter, in order that, if necessary, they may have the line of frontage decided by the Superintending Architect, and take proceedings under the 75th Section of the Act 25 and 26 Vic., c. 102, and that the parties interested be informed of the course taken.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Vestry of Mile-end Old-town, with respect to five houses erected in Greenfield-street, with a reduced space at the rear thereof be approved; that the substance of the Solicitor's and the Superintending Architect's Reports on the subject be communicated to the Vestry, and that they be informed that a memorandum of the case has been made with a view to future legislation.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no further action be taken with reference to the Letter from the Plumstead District Board, as to the erection of a barrier across Brewery-road, Plumstead.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no further action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. S. M. Bellinger, as to the formation of a mews at the rear of houses on the North side of Uxbridge-road, Hammersmith, contrary to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd May last, and that Mr. Bellinger be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no further action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. H. Jarvis, District Surveyor, as to the erection of houses in a new street leading out of Acorn-place, Peckham, notwithstanding that the Plan for the formation of the street had not been sanctioned, and that Mr. Jarvis be so informed in reply to his Letter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. R. Cruwys, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Milkwood-road, Herne-hill, Lambeth, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor, as to the formation,

by Mr. S. Hensby, of a mews leading out of the North-East side of Colva-street, Highgate New-town, without the approval of the Board, and that Mr. Bovill be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. E. Taylor, stating that it is his intention to proceed with the erection of a house at Acre-lane, Brixton, in accordance with his building Agreement, be approved, and that the attention of the Vestry of Lambeth be called to the case, in order that, if necessary, they may have the line of frontage decided by the Superintending Architect, and take proceedings under the 75th Section of the Act 25 and 26 Vict., c. 102.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. J. Lidiard, stating that the District Surveyor had taken out a Summons against the builder for the removal of a temporary building erected in Oldridge-road, Clapham, for an Athletic Club, and that Mr. Lidiard be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Memorial from Freeholders and Owners of land in Upper Paget-road, Plumstead, relative to the erection of a Chapel and School buildings on the North side of Herbert-road, at the corner of Upper Paget-road, alleged to be in advance of the general line of buildings in the last-mentioned road, and that the Memorialists and the Plumstead District Board be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Baker and Sons, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of roads to lead out of Fortune-green-lane, Hampstead, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names “Agamemnon-road, N.W.,” “Ajax-road, N.W.,” “Ulysses-road, N.W.,” and “Achilles-road, N.W.,” be approved for the same, and also upon condition that the applicants do satisfy the Solicitor of the Board as to their ownership of the land required for access to Hillfield-road and Child's-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Walker and Runtz, on behalf of Mr. T. Arno, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops at the corner of Truman's-place and Salcombe-road, Stoke Newington, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that they be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. W. Perrers, on behalf of Mr. C. Watkins, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the South side of Lower Richmond-road, Putney, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. J. and F. Drake, on behalf of Mr. J. A. Rolls, M.P., for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses in Coburg-road, Old Kent-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the houses therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. Shaw, on behalf of Mr. H. S. Vandeleur, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an enclosed portico upon a portion of the forecourt of No. 46, Cadogan-square, Chelsea, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted,

upon condition that the erection of the portico therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Owen, on behalf of Messrs. Parry and Jones, for the permission of the Board to retain a projecting porch and barge-boards recently erected at the Welsh Chapel in Southerton-road, Hammersmith, as shown on the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erections be in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. E. Sears, on behalf of Mr. H. J. Kimbell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop upon a portion of the forecourt of No. 381, Hornsey-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, and seconded by Mr. Shepherd—That the application of Mr. T. W. Adams, on behalf of Mr. C. R. Camp, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron building at the rear of No. 28, Marlborough-road, Old Kent-road, be not granted.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. Middlemass—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report, and that the applicant be requested to attend the Committee.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 4, against it 15, and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. H. Grist, on behalf of the Minister and Deacons of the Rectory-road Congregational Church, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church erected at the corner of Rectory-road and Evering-road, Stoke Newington, be granted for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of the Rev. F. C. Beckley, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-room at the rear of St. Patrick's Church in Green-bank, Wapping, be granted for a period of Two years from this date upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Hemming and Co., for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected upon land adjoining the North London Railway, in Morville-street, Bow, be granted for a period of Two years, from this date upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. L. Denchfield, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a two-storey addition to No. 21, Lower Woolwich-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the additions therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen

months from this date, and also upon condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of the Rev. C. H. Simpkinson, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Mission-hall, erected in connection with Holy Trinity Church, at Blackheath-hill, be granted, for a period of Two years, from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor for the District of Bermondsey and St. John, St. Olave and St. Thomas, Southwark, for approval by the Board of the removal of his District Office from No. 4, Bermondsey-square, to No. 15, Railway Approach, London Bridge, be complied with.

9. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 20th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that the Solicitors of the Surrey Commercial Docks Company, have asked whether the Board will consent to the exemption of the Company's docks from the operation of the Board's Bill to regulate the stacking of Firewood. It appears to your Committee that the precautions taken by the docks Companies against fire on their premises are probably as effective for the purpose as any arrangement which might be required by Regulations to be made by the Board; and if this be so, your Committee see no objection to the Surrey Commercial Docks Company being exempted from the operation of the Bill about to be introduced into Parliament by the Board. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That such exemption be agreed to.

Your Committee have not yet had before them your Engineer's Report on the Bills and Plans, for new works in the Metropolis, which have been deposited with a view to obtaining the sanction of Parliament thereto in the present session. Your Solicitor has however looked into some of the Bills, and has called attention to several of them against which it appears to him that it will be necessary for the Board to petition with a view either to opposition being offered on the Preamble, or to Clauses being inserted for the protection of the Board's interests. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That Petitions be presented against the following Bills—

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Bill.

Horse Guards-avenue Bill.

South Kensington and Knightsbridge and Marble Arch and Knightsbridge Subways Bill.

South-Eastern Railway Bill.

The Metropolitan Markets Bill, is introduced by the Corporation of London, and has reference to the Markets under the jurisdiction of that body. It does not appear to contain any provisions which the Board need oppose, and your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken upon it.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS. H. FOWLER,
GEO. EDWARDS,
JOHN TOLHURST,
GEO. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. JONES,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Surrey Commercial Docks be exempted from the operation of the Board's Bill to regulate the stacking of Firewood.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented against the London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented against the Horse Guard's-avenue Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented against the South Kensington and Knightsbridge and Marble Arch and Knightsbridge Subways Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented against the South-Eastern Railway Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken by the Board with reference to the Metropolitan Markets Bill.

10. It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Harben, and *resolved*—That the *motion* by Mr. Fowler, notice of which appears in the paper of business, be now considered.

It was then *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Selway—That the question of an extension of the term of the London Coal Duties be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration and report, and that the Committee be authorised to confer with Her Majesty's Government and with the City Corporation on the subject; that the Committee do also report whether, 'in view of the considerable increase of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate which would follow on the cessation of the Coal Dues, it is expedient for the Board to undertake any further large Improvements until either the term of the Coal Dues shall have been extended, or some additional source of revenue other than increased direct taxation of householders shall have been place at the Board's disposal.

The *motion* having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd January, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage work proposed to be executed by the Hackney District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARK.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
Mundford and Dudlington } Roads, Clapton ... }	627	12-inch	Pipe	Recommended as applied for.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Hackney District Board be permitted to construct and execute the work in the manner therein recommended.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd January, 1886, on an application by the Westminster District Board, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfares for the period and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1886. 19th Jan.	Millbank - street and Chapter-street	Paving	6 weeks	6 weeks	The routes shown upon the Plans accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the Westminster District Board, for the purpose of executing paving work therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

13. The Engineer laid before the Board his Report, dated 18th January, 1886, on the several Metropolitan Railway and other Schemes proposed to be submitted to Parliament in the Session of 1886.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Report be received; that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board; and that it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee and the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration, in connection with the several Bills to which it relates.

14. The Engineer presented a Report and Return, as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring-gardens,
22nd January, 1886.

SPECIAL CLERKS OF WORKS.

In compliance with the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd May, 1874 (No. 22). I submit herewith a Return showing the names of the several Special Clerks of Works in the employ of the Board, the wages paid to them and the works upon which they are at present engaged.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Names.	Wages per Week.	Works engaged upon.
MR. LOVICK'S DISTRICT.		
Panter, T.	£3 3 0	Holloway and Northern High Level Sewers Relief Lines.
Fixter, J.	3 3 0	
Larkin, G.	3 3 0	
Wighton, T.	3 3 0	
Driffield, J.	3 3 0	
Grimwood, W.	3 3 0	
Jennings, W.	3 3 0	Queen's-road, Dalston, &c., Sewer.
Boyden, J.	3 3 0	
Carter, J.	3 3 0	
Lake, J.	3 3 0	
Pope, J.	3 3 0	Piccadilly to Oxford-street Improvement.
Hewett, E., jun.	2 16 0	
Fixter, G. T.	3 3 0	Assisting in Sewerage, drainage, and Thames-floods prevention works, and in general duties in the Eastern part of the District.
MR. GRANT'S DISTRICT.		
Johnson, T.	3 3 0	Assisting in sewerage and drainage works, and in general duties in the Southern part of the District.
Lynn, R.	3 3 0	Clapham to Putney Sewers.
Bedloe, C.	3 3 0	
Judd, J.	3 3 0	Eltham and Deptford Storm Overflow Sewers.
Noble, H. A.	4 4 0	
Daw, H.	3 3 0	Ranelagh and King's Scholars' Pond Sewers Relief Sewer.
Crick, C.	3 3 0	Stamford-brook, East, Sewer.
METROPOLITAN BRIDGES DISTRICT (MR. BAZALGETTE).		
Carey, T. M.	3 3 0	Hammersmith New Bridge.
Boag, A.	3 3 0	Putney New Bridge.
Gooding, J.	3 3 0	
Sharpe, P.	3 3 0	Battersea (Temporary) Bridge, and removing Old Bridge.
Hewett, E., Sen.	2 2 0	General district works and the slopping and cleansing roads, &c., of the various Bridges under the control of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report and Return be received, and that they be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

15. It was moved by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Harben, and resolved—That the Report by the Engineer, when prepared, on the Letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, relative to proposed alterations to the Tidal culvert supplying certain Tanneries and other premises, at Neckinger, with water, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.
16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd January, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal were required for use at the Abbey-mills Pumping Station—

				ESTIMATE.
1,000 Tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	£816 13 4
1,000 Tons of Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	654 3 4
Total	...	...	...	<u>£1,470 16 8</u>

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. W. Jacomb, Engineer to the London and South-Western Railway Company, submitting for approval drawings of Bridges to be widened to carry the widened portions of the Railway over Upper Marsh, Park-place, and Mill-street, Lambeth; stating that the designs complied with the terms of the Acts (South-Western Railway Various Powers Act, 1883, and South-Western Railway Act, 1884), except that the span of Mill-street Bridge was made 37 feet in lieu of 30 feet, as provided by Section 16 of the Act of 1884; recommending that the Plans should be approved, and stating that should the Board desire to submit the Plans to the Vestry of Lambeth previously to approving the same, it would be necessary that the decision of the Vestry should be given not later than the 29th instant.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received, and that the said Plans be approved.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st January, 1886, on a Letter from Mrs. C. Desgratoulet, applying for compensation for alleged loss of rent, and for expenses incurred in repairs to flooring, &c., consequent on the occasional flooding of the basements of her houses Nos. 162, 164, 166, 168 and 170, Tachbrook-street, Pimlico; stating that the floodings were chiefly due to the large quantities of water flowing, on occasions of heavy rain, into the main Sewer (the King's Scholars' Pond), into which the houses drained, the most recent flooding having occurred on the 26th November last; that since that date the new Sewer, which had been constructed by the Board for the purpose of relieving the King's Scholars' Pond to a great extent of the flood waters, and discharging them through a new outlet into the River, had been completed and was in operation; and recommending that Mrs. Desgratoulet should be informed of the remedial works, and that the Board could not admit any liability for her claim.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd January, 1886, stating that Mr. J. S. Olver, a Surveyor on the temporary staff of his Department, had been absent from his duties since Christmas last in consequence of illness, that he had received one week's pay during that time, that he had been employed for the Board eight years, and recommending that he should be allowed a fortnight's further pay.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the recommendation of the Engineer be acted upon.

20. It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That, pending the decision of the Board with respect to the future charge and maintenance of the new thoroughfare from Piccadilly-circus to New Oxford-street, the Engineer be authorised to give such

directions as may be necessary for the convenience and protection of the traffic passing through the same.

21. The Solicitor reported that the Board's Various Powers Bill, 1886, had been considered by the Examiner on Wednesday last, when the necessary proofs of compliance with the Standing Orders had been given, and that the Orders had been complied with.

22. The Solicitor reported that notices had been given in the House of Commons for the introduction of the undermentioned Bills—

Mr. Tatton Egerton,—Metropolitan Board of Works (Fire Brigade expenses)—Bill to amend the Law relating to the expenses of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

Sir James M^cGarel-Hogg,—Metropolitan Board of Works (Water supply, &c.),—Bill to confer further powers upon the Metropolitan Board of Works, with respect to the supply of Water.

Sir James M^cGarel-Hogg,—Metropolitan Board of Works (Keeping of Firewood)—Bill for the safe keeping of Firewood within the limits of the Metropolis.

Mr. Rider Cook,—Metropolitan Board of Works (Theatres, &c.),—Bill to confer further powers on the Metropolitan Board of Works for inspecting Theatres and Music-halls, and granting Certificates.

Mr. Dixon-Hartland,—Theatres, &c. (Metropolis),—Bill for the better regulation of Theatres and Music-halls in the Metropolis.

Mr. Dodds,—Waterworks Undertakings,—Bill to amend the Law relating to Rating and Waterworks Undertakings belonging to local authorities.

Mr. Dodds,—Public Health Acts (Private Improvement)—Bill to amend the Public Health Acts in relation to Private Improvement Expenses.

Mr. Burdett-Coutts,—Hampstead-heath (Enlargement),—Bill to enable and facilitate the enlargement of Hampstead-heath for purposes of public health and recreation.

Mr. Sellar,—Private Bill legislation,—Bill to amend the system of Private Bill legislation in the United Kingdom.

Sir Herbert Maxwell,—Explosives Substances Act (1883) Amendment,—Bill to amend the Explosives Substances Act, 1883.

Mr. Walter James,—Commons and Inclosure Acts Amendment,—Bill to amend the Commons and Inclosure Acts.

Mr. Dixon-Hartland,—Sanitation of Houses,—Bill for better Sanitation of Houses in the Metropolis.

23. The Solicitor reported that Sir Henry Tyler, M.P., had given notice that he would ask the following questions—

To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department whether his attention has been drawn to the failures of Telegraph and Telephone wires, used overhead, in the recent snowstorm, and to the accidents which have been occasioned thereby.

Whether he will cause a return of these failures and these accidents to be prepared and presented to the House.

And whether he proposes to take any steps to prevent this constantly increasing danger to all persons using the streets of the Metropolis (Monday, 25th January).

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Robson, and *resolved*—That the Report of the Fire Brigade Committee, presented this day, on the subject of the interruption of the Fire-alarm circuits and the electric communication between Fire Brigade

stations, during the recent Snowstorm, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the same subject.

24. The Solicitor reported that the following notice had been placed on the paper of the House of Commons by Mr. Charles Russell, M.P.—

Mr. Charles Russell—Rivers Pollution—To call attention to the operation of “The Rivers Pollution Prevention Act, 1876,” and the defects therein, with reference especially to the dangerous condition of the River Lee, and to move for the appointment of a Select Committee of this House to inquire into and report thereon with the view of amending the Law and devising a remedy (Tuesday, 9th February).

25. The Solicitor submitted a list of Memorials which had been presented against Bills in the second hundred on the list of Petitions for Private Bills, and which complained of non-compliance with Standing Orders.

26. The Solicitor presented the following documents for Sealing—

Lease to Messrs. Sage and Oxley of part of Plots, Nos. 8 and 9 in Gray’s-inn-road (Gray’s-inn-road Improvement).

Agreement, in duplicate, between the Trustees of the Will of Mr. T. Mason, deceased, and Mr. A. Flint, and the Board, for apportionment of rent in respect of Nos. 53, 55, 57 and 59, Green-street, Bethnal-green (Green-street, Bethnal-green Improvement).

Conveyance to the Board by Mr. S. J. Blackwell and Messrs. Crosse and Blackwell, of leasehold interests in part of No. 65, Crown-street, Soho, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement).

Conveyance by the Board to the East End Dwellings Company, Limited, of land in George-street and Thrawl-street, Spitalfields (known as Plot B), for the erection thereon of Artizans’ Dwellings (Flower and Dean-street area).

Lease to Mr. T. Pink, of Plot “B,” in Fox-court and Feather-court, Gray’s-inn-road (set apart by the Streets Act, 1877, and the Amendment Act of 1882, for the erection of Artizans’ Dwellings) (Gray’s-inn-road Improvement).

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

27. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 15th instant (No. 6), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Clifton-road, &c., St. Paul, Deptford	...	...	...	Greenwich.
Woodpecker-lane, &c. do.	...	...	...	do.
Abinger-road, &c. do.	...	...	...	do.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

28. The Clerk presented a Letter from Sir J. B. Monckton, Town Clerk of the City of London, dated 12th January, 1886, transmitting, by direction of the Corporation, a Medal commemorative of the opening of the new Council Chamber of the Guildhall.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Corporation be thanked for the Medal, and that it be placed in the Board’s Library.

29. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Wandsworth and Clapham Union.

Union Offices, St. John's-hill,
New Wandsworth, S.W.

15th January, 1886.

LOANS OF £13,776 AND £6,290.

SIR,—Referring to my Letter of the 17th November last, and to your reply, dated the 19th November last. I beg now to inform you that the Guardians have received the formal Order of the Local Government Board authorising the raising of the sums in question, a copy of which is now enclosed.

I also send you a certified copy of the several Resolutions passed by the Guardians agreeing to take up the Loans together with original Letter from the Local Government Board upon the subject.

With reference to the concluding portion of your Letter, dated the 19th November, stating that Plans and specifications are required. I have written to Mr. Aldwinkle, the Architect, asking him to forward to you direct the necessary particulars.

As this money is urgently required, in fact the current account has already been severely taxed to meet the payments to Contractors. I should be very glad if the necessary documents could be prepared, and approved, so that they may be finally signed at the Meeting of the Guardians to be held on the 28th instant.

It will be observed that in the copy of Resolution forwarded, reference is made to a sum of £3,500, I would explain that the borrowing of this sum has been deferred for the present.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) E. H. TAYLOR.
Clerk.

J. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

30. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. W. Ratcliff, Clerk to the Limehouse District Board, dated 13th January, 1886, stating that the attention of the District Board had been directed to the lately improved state of the main sewers running through their District, as regarded the escape of noxious gases from the ventilating gratings, expressing their great satisfaction at the beneficial result of the process adopted by this Board, and urging a continuance of the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

31. The Clerk presented a Memorial and Letter as follows—

Memorial of a Committee, as agents and representatives of the residents, owners and ratepayers of Clapham, asking the Board to oppose all Schemes for Tramways on Clapham-common and from thence to Balham and Tooting.

Letter from Mr. S. E. Lambert, President of the Tooting and District Ratepayers' Association, dated 16th January 1886, expressing approval of the establishment of Tramways from Clapham to Merton, and also a hope that the Board would give their consent to the Scheme.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Memorial and Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references, already made to them on the subjects to which they relate.

32. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. B. Harness, Managing Director of the Medical Battery Company, Limited, dated 16th January 1886, asking permission to use, for a few hours, an open space of ground belonging to the Board facing Crown-street

and Lichfield-street, near West-street, for the purpose of experimenting with their Hand Fire Extinguisher.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

- 33.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Hicklin, Washington and Pasmore, dated 18th January, 1886, asking to be informed when the Board propose to receive Deputations against new Tramways, as they were instructed on behalf of several Deputations desirous of putting their views before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Messrs. Hicklin and Co. be informed that, if they will send in a written statement of the objections to the Tramways referred to, it shall be carefully considered, but that the Board do not think it necessary that the Deputations should attend.

- 34.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. L. P. Eyre, dated 19th January, 1886, asking the Board to receive a Deputation of occupiers of property in the neighbourhood of Theobald's-road, to present a Memorial against the proposed new Tramways in that road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Edwards—That the said Deputation be received by the Board on Friday next, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

An *amendment* thereon was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Webster—That Mr. Eyre be informed that if he will furnish the Board with a written statement of the points which the Deputation desire to bring under the Board's notice, the Board will consider the same, and decide as to the necessity for the attendance of the Deputation.

The *amendment* having been put to the vote, there were for it 6, against it 12, and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The *original motion* was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

- 35.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. G. Terry, dated 20th January, 1886, objecting to a Tramway being laid in Hemingford-road, Islington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

- 36.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 19th January, 1886, transmitting an instrument, under the hand of the Home Secretary, signifying his consent to the Board taking compulsorily certain land and premises in the Isle of Dogs, Poplar, in the occupation of the Merchant Shipping Company, for purposes connected with the Sewerage of the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

- 37.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 19th January, 1886, transmitting a printed copy of the Hampstead-heath Enlargement Bill, 1866, and requesting to be favoured with the Board's observations thereon, and to be informed whether the views of the various bodies alluded to in Section 4 had been ascertained.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter and Bill be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

- 38.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. H. Molyneux, dated 18th January, 1886, relative to the proposed sale of Clissold-park, close to High-street, Stoke Newington, as a building Estate, and the desirability of securing the same as an open space for the

benefit of the public, and enquiring whether, in the event of the Board not being disposed to take up the matter as a whole, they would be prepared to contribute any, and what, amount towards the acquisition of the property for the purpose named.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Parish of St. George-in-the-East,
Guardians' Offices, Princes-street,
Old Gravel-lane, E.,
18th January, 1886.

To the Chairman and Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by the Guardians of this Parish to apply to you for the Loan of Thirteen thousand eight hundred and fifty eight pounds, the sum of Eleven thousand pounds to be re-paid in 30 years, and the sum of Two thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight pounds to be re-paid in 10 years.

The Order of the Local Government Board authorising the Guardians borrowing the above-mentioned amount is enclosed.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. R. BROWNE.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

40. The Clerk presented a Memorial from Cyclists, residing in the neighbourhood of Finsbury-park, praying that Cyclists might be permitted to ride through certain portions of the Park.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Memorialists be informed that the Board cannot accede to their application.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. R. Fairbairn, dated 19th January, 1886, transmitting a copy of Resolutions passed at a meeting of working men of Rotherhithe, and a further Letter, dated 20th January, 1886, forwarding a Resolution passed at a meeting of Firewood dealers and cutters at Deptford, against the proposed Bill of the Board for regulating the stacking of Firewood.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letters be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject of the Bill to which they relate.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

School Board for London,
Victoria Embankment, W.C.,
22nd January, 1886.

LOAN £100,000.

SIR,—I am directed by the School Board for London to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works and to ask that, having reference to Section 58 of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, they will advance to the School Board for London, a further sum of £100,000; the re-payment to be spread over 50 years.

I beg leave to forward an extract of the Minutes of the Board at which the Resolution to borrow the money was passed.

I also enclose a list of the Schools, together with the original consents of the Education Department, for the provision of which the money is required.

The Board propose to take up the money at the end of February.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) G. H. CROAD,
Clerk of the Board.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

The several documents referred to in the Letter were laid before the Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

43. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 19th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candle.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuric Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.3	16.7	17.0	10.5	8.1	9.7	0.3	0.1	0.2	None.
	Camden	17.3	16.3	16.8	10.2	8.8	9.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston	16.8	16.4	16.7	15.7	12.2	14.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow	17.7	16.8	17.2	15.6	11.1	12.9	1.0	0.0	0.3	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.6	16.5	16.6	19.3	16.0	17.5	0.5	0.1	0.3	"
	(Nine-elms)...	16.7	16.6	16.6	13.6	12.4	12.9	0.3	0.2	0.3	"
	Kingsland-road ...	17.0	16.4	16.8	17.8	9.8	13.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross ...	17.1	16.5	16.9	13.4	11.4	12.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	"
	St. John's-wood ...	17.0	16.1	16.4	14.7	12.5	14.0	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	21.9	20.6	21.1	15.9	11.7	14.6	0.5	0.0	0.2	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Peckham	17.0	16.3	16.7	24.3	14.0	18.5	0.6	0.0	0.2	"
	Tooley-street... ..	17.0	16.0	16.4	9.2	6.7	7.8	0.8	0.0	0.1	"
	Clapham	17.0	16.2	16.5	19.7	10.7	15.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Lewisham	16.7	16.5	16.6	13.3	11.2	11.9	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Old Ford	17.5	17.1	17.4	8.8	6.3	7.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	St. George-in-the- East... ..	16.9	16.0	16.7	17.6	11.1	13.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Marylebone-road, N.W., on 13th January, 1886, at 9.15 p.m., was 2.3 inches.

44. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. S. Harrison, on behalf of Mr. T. Slowman, for the permission of the Board to retain a two-storey bay-window, recently erected in front of No. 5, Jardin-street, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

45. CHELSEA.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. W. Stephens, on behalf of Colonel Micklem, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a four-storey bay-window, a balcony, and a porch, at No. 36, Hans-place, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the several erections therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of the Board.

46. CLERKENWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Masters and Sons, on behalf of Mr. H. Phillips, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 24, Collier-street, Pentonville, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

47. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January,

1886, on the application of Mr. G. Sherrin, on behalf of Mr. J. B. Carrington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a conservatory at premises at the corner of Nutley-terrace and Netherhall-terrace, Fitzjohn's-avenue, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

48. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Mackland, on behalf of Messrs. Tompson Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 32, High-road, Kilburn, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

49. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. W. Chapman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourt of Nos. 260 and 262, High-road, Kilburn, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

50. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Gardiner, Son and Theobald, on behalf of Messrs. Meux and Company, Limited, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the "Thatched House," Public-house, in Essex-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

51. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. G. Barstow, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 17, Devonshire-road, and of an addition at the rear, abutting upon David's-road, Forest-hill, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

52. PLUMSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. O. Cook, on behalf of Mr. G. Jacobs, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of a one-storey detached shop on the forecourt of No. 8, Inverary-place, Slade-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

53. ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Edwards, on behalf of the Lion Brewery Company, Limited, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the "Fishmongers' Arms" Public-house, in St. George's-road, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 54. ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. J. Sprunt and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 254 and 256, Old Kent-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and also upon condition that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the space coloured Blue upon the Plan, be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 55. ST. JAMES', WESTMINSTER.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. H. Kerr, on behalf of Messrs. Stannard and Sons, for approval by the Board of the construction of a foot-bridge for connecting the two warehouses in Portland-mews, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the foot-bridge therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and also upon condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 56. ST. OLAVE, SOUTHWARK.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Lafone, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a warehouse on the North-West side of Thomas-street, Horsleydown, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 57. WESTMINSTER.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. L. Cornish, on behalf of Mr. C. Richardson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a conservatory in the garden adjoining No. 86, Vincent-square, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the conservatory therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 58. LEWISHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Prior, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a conservatory at the rear of premises known as "Hillside," at Dartmouth-park, Forest-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 59. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th January, 1886, on a Notice from Mr. C. Cheston, of his intention to form a deviation in the roads shown upon the amended Plan accompanying such Notice, to lead out of Southwold-road, Upper Clapton, the formation of which was originally approved by the Board on the 30th July, 1880 (No. 84).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the amended Plan be approved, on condition that no barriers be at any time erected, or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads.

60. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Williams and Rowe, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road to lead out of Mayflower-road, Clapham-road, and of the name “Hemberton-road, S.W.” (in continuation) for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said road.

61. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. C. Kynoch and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the North side of High-street, Clapham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

62. CHELSEA.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Wilkins and Kent, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open timber stage at the rear of No. 28, Ives-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

63. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Stock, Page and Stock, on behalf of Mr. Roberts, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of open sheds in Sharratt-street, Canterbury-road, Hatcham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

64. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. Dinwiddy, on behalf of the Governors of the Roan School for boys, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open iron shed at East-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

65. ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Yates, for approval by the Board of the erection of houses on the West side of Gaywood-street, with open spaces at the rear thereof, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

66. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Wells, for approval by the Board of the erection of a temporary Theatre of Varieties, in Bow-common-lane, Bromley-by-Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

67. ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Simmons, on behalf of Mr. W. Robinson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of Offices at the rear of No. 63, Lincoln’s-inn-fields, with walls of Portland cement concrete.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, and that a License, with such conditions as to the quality and composition of the concrete, and other matters, as are contained in the form of License approved by the Board on the 28th November, 1879 (No. 6), be granted to the applicant.

- 68. LAMBETH (Lower Norwood).**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. P. Hunter, District Surveyor, asking the Board, under the circumstances mentioned in his Letter, that his District might be re-named “West Norwood.”

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 69. CITY OF LONDON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Blake, on behalf of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment by the Board of Fees to Mr. Hyman Henry Collins, District Surveyor for the District of the Eastern Division of the City of London, in respect of services performed by him in surveying Dangerous Structures within that District.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That Fees amounting to Two pounds five shillings, as specified in the Accounts numbered 1 and 2, now presented to this Board, be paid to Mr. Hyman Henry Collins, the District Surveyor mentioned in such Accounts, in respect of services performed by him in surveying Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

- 70. BERMONDSEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on the further amended application of Mr. L. R. Ford, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a period of Three months, the temporary wood and iron building recently erected at the rear of No. 29, Layard-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 71. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Moseley, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the Steam Laundry Works in Margravine-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 72. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Edmeston, on behalf of the National Agricultural Hall Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a proposed alteration in the position of the staircase, of the large Hall of the National Agricultural Hall, adjoining the Addison-road Railway Station, Hammersmith.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 73. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on the application of the Rev. R. S. Hassard, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron room, erected on land adjoining Holy Trinity Church, in Mayfield-road, Dalston.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 74. KENSINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1886, on the joint application of Mr. T. Verity and Mr. S. Chadwick, on behalf of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, for approval by the Board of certain modifications in the drawings for the re-construction of Humphreys' Hall, at Albert-gate, Knightsbridge, and the adaptation

of portions of the Sun Music-hall, adjoining, in connection therewith, as shown upon the Drawings accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

75. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st January, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, a License in respect of a temporary Mission-room erected at the corner of Sherriff-road, West-end-lane.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

76. The Superintending Architect presented a Report, dated 22nd January, 1886, on certain Railway and other Bills affecting the Metropolis, proposed to be submitted to Parliament in the Session of 1886.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes and Parliamentary Committees, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them with regard to the Bills mentioned therein, and that the said Report be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 29th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 4.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday, the 29th day of January, 1886**, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	HON. ALANDE TATTON EGER-
CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	TON, M.P.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN,	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
GEORGE HILL, Esq.	Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS,
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL,	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY,	Esq.
Esq.	Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	LIAMS, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR-	JOHN JONES, Esq.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER,
RETT, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.	Esq.
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH-	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	ARDSON, Esq.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND-
ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	SAY, Esq.
JOHN LENANTON, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	Esq., DEPUTY.
BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.
ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR-
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	CLOUGH, Esq.
JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD,	LIEUT.-COL. HUGHES, M.P.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.
Esq.	ALFRED POCOCK, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq.,	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT,	HALL, Esq.
F.R.C.S., Eng.	Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 22nd instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.
2. A Deputation from residents in the neighbourhood of Bedford-row, introduced by Mr. Hill, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. G. L. P. Eyre, Mr. E. Lloyd, Mr. W. E. Slaughter, Messrs. F. Jacob and Co., Mr. G. Stevens, Mr. J. G. Grellier, Mr. W. F. Waight, Mr. W. Wilkins, Mr. F. Covington, and Messrs. Walker, Martineau and Co., attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

PETITION AGAINST PROPOSED NEW TRAMWAYS.

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Petition of the undersigned Owners, Lessees, and Occupiers of houses or shops and residents within the District of the Holborn Board of Works

SHEWETH AS FOLLOWS—

1.—Your Petitioners learn that application is about to be made to Parliament for powers to lay down and work certain lines of Tramway along Theobald's-road and Gray's-inn-road, within the District of the Holborn Board of Works.

2.—Your Petitioners are severally Owners, Lessees, or Occupiers or otherwise interested in houses and shops fronting or adjoining the road along which it is sought to lay down and work the said lines of Tramway, or are ratepayers or residents within the said District, and their addresses are placed opposite their respective signatures.

3.—Your Petitioners humbly object to the construction and working of the said proposed lines of Tramway, and allege that if the lines were allowed they would very much interfere with the access to their houses, shops and premises, and would cause obstruction and danger not only to themselves but to others using the said road.

4.—Your Petitioners further allege that if the said Tramways are laid down and worked your Petitioners will be much injured in their various businesses, and the working of the lines will be a source of great inconvenience to them.

5.—Your Petitioners also humbly submit that during the construction of the Tramways, and upon all occasions when it becomes necessary to repair the ways (which is of frequent occurrence), the ordinary traffic of the road is greatly hindered and at times altogether stopped. Such stoppages would cause serious losses to those of your Petitioners who use horses, vans, carts, and other vehicles for the purposes of their trade, and especially when such vans and carts have to be loaded and unloaded, which generally happens several times during the day.

6.—Your Petitioners further allege that there is at present ample carriage accommodation for the road and neighbourhood, there being a continuous supply of omnibuses at cheap fares along Holborn from early morning till late at night.

7.—Your Petitioners further allege that the traffic along Theobald's-road is at present very large, and to allow a Tramway to be laid there, which would monopolise the best part of the road, namely, the centre, would, in the opinion of your Petitioners, be such an addition to the traffic as to cause almost continuous blockages in that thoroughfare.

8.—Your Petitioners further allege that wherever Tramways are allowed they cause increased expense to the District generally by reason of their driving all the slow traffic to the sides of the road, thereby causing the sides to require more repair than they otherwise would do, the expense of which would have to be borne by the District.

9.—Your Petitioners also humbly submit that any advantage that could result to your Petitioners or to the public at large through the working of the said proposed lines of Tramway would be insufficient to justify the injury as well as additional expenses and inconvenience which would be caused to your Petitioners.

10.—Your Petitioners further submit that the Tramways proposed to be laid down and worked, are not introduced for the benefit of the public at large or your Petitioners, but simply for the purposes of private gain.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Honourable Board will withhold its consent to the said Tramways being laid down in that part of the said road which is in the District of the Holborn Board of Works.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.,

(Signed) G. L. P. EYRE,

1, John-street, Bedford-row,

Solicitor,

And 188 others.

The Deputation addressed the Board in support of the Memorial.

Mr. Hill handed in further Memorials, as follows—

PETITION IN OPPOSITION TO TRAMWAYS.

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Petition of the undersigned Owners, Lessees, Occupiers of houses or shops, and Residents within the District of the St. Giles' Board of Works,

SHewETH AS FOLLOWS,—

1.—Your Petitioners learn that application is about to be made to Parliament for powers to lay down and work lines of Tramway along Vernon-place, Bloomsbury-square, and Hart-street, in the Parish of St. George, Bloomsbury, within the District of the St. Giles' Board of Works.

2.—Your Petitioners are severally Owners and Occupiers, or otherwise interested in houses and shops fronting on the line of route where the proposed Tramways are intended

to be laid, or are ratepayers or residents within the District, and their addresses are placed opposite their signatures hereto.

3.—Your Petitioners humbly submit that they object to the construction and working of the proposed Tramways, and allege that if the lines were allowed to be laid they would very much interfere with the access to their premises as at present enjoyed, and would cause danger not only to themselves but to others using the road.

4.—Your Petitioners further allege that if the said Tramways are laid down and worked, your Petitioners will be much injured in their various businesses, and the working of the lines will be a source of great inconvenience to them.

5.—Your Petitioners also humbly submit that during the construction of the Tramways and upon all occasions when it becomes necessary to repair the ways (which is of frequent occurrence), the ordinary traffic of the road is greatly hindered, and, at times, altogether stopped. Such stoppages would cause serious losses to those of your Petitioners who use horses, vans, carts, and other vehicles for the purposes of their trade, and especially when such vans and carts have to be loaded and unloaded, which generally happens several times during the day.

6.—Your Petitioners further allege that there is at present ample carriage accommodation for the road and neighbourhood, there being a continuous supply of omnibuses, at cheap fares, along Holborn, from early morning till late at night.

7.—Your Petitioners further allege that the traffic along Vernon-place, Bloomsbury-square, and Hart-street, is at present very large, and to allow a Tramway to be laid there, which would monopolise the best part of the roads, namely, the centre, would, in the opinion of your Petitioners, be such an addition to the traffic as to cause almost continuous blockages in those thoroughfares.

8.—Your Petitioners further allege that wherever Tramways are allowed, they cause increased expense to the District generally, by reason of their driving all the slow traffic to the sides of the road, thereby causing the sides to require more repair than they otherwise would do, the expense of which would have to be borne by the District.

9.—Your Petitioners also humbly submit that any advantage that could result to your Petitioners, or to the public at large, through the working of the said proposed lines of Tramway, would be insufficient to justify the injury, as well as additional expenses and inconvenience which would be caused to your Petitioners.

10.—Your Petitioners further submit that the Tramways proposed to be laid down and worked are not introduced for the benefit of the public at large, or your Petitioners, but simply for the purposes of private gain.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Honourable Board will withhold its consent to the said Tramways being laid in that part which is in the Parish of St. George, Bloomsbury.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

(Signed) F. WALTERS,
3, Vernon-place,
And 193 others.

PETITION AGAINST PROPOSED TRAMWAYS.

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Petition of the undersigned Owners, Lessees, Occupiers of houses and shops, Frontagers, Ratepayers and Residents in the Parish of St. Pancras,

SHEWETH AS FOLLOWS—

1. Your Petitioners are informed that application is again about to be made to Parliament by the London Street Tramways Company for powers to lay down and work lines of Tramway along that part of Gray's-inn-road which is in the Parish of St. Pancras.

2. Your Petitioners, as above stated, are severally owners, lessees, occupiers of houses and shops, fronting and adjoining the road where the proposed lines of Tramway are intended to be laid, or are Ratepayers or residents within the said Parish, and their respective addresses are placed opposite their signatures hereto

3.—Your Petitioners humbly submit that they object to the construction and working of the proposed Tramways, and allege that if the same are allowed they will very much interfere with the present access to their premises and will cause danger not only to themselves but to all others using the road.

4.—Your Petitioners also humbly submit that during the construction of Tramway lines and upon all occasions when it becomes necessary for repairs to be made (which your Petitioners are informed is of frequent occurrence), the ordinary traffic of the roadway is greatly hindered, and at times entirely stopped, and that such stoppages would cause serious loss to your Petitioners, especially to those who use horses, vans, carts and other vehicles for the purposes of their business, as such vans and carts have often to be loaded and unloaded several times in the course of a day.

5.—Your Petitioners further allege that there is at present ample carriage accommodation for the road and neighbourhood, there being a continuous supply of omnibuses, at cheap fares, from early morning till late at night, and there are several Railway Stations within short distances, whence travellers so desiring can get to all parts.

6.—Your Petitioners also allege that the traffic along the Gray's-inn-road is already very large, in consequence of the number of Railway wagons, coal carts, and other heavy vehicles continually passing through the road; and to allow lines of Tramway to be laid there, which would monopolise the best part of the road, namely, the centre thereof, would, in the opinion of your Petitioners, be such an addition to the traffic as to cause serious danger to life and almost continuous blockages throughout the thoroughfare, as for a portion of the way, just before reaching Henry-street, and beyond, the lines will be laid within 9 feet 6 inches of the kerb.

7.—Your Petitioners further allege that, wherever lines of Tramway are allowed, they cause additional expense to the Parish generally, and consequently increase the rates which the Ratepayers have to pay, as it is well known that, in consequence of the slow, heavy traffic being forced to use generally the sides of the road, those parts require more repairs than they otherwise would do, the expense of which has to be borne by the Parish.

8.—Your Petitioners also humbly submit that wherever Tramways are allowed they greatly depreciate the value of private property. And they desire to point out that the advantage (if any) that might result from the working of the proposed lines will be insufficient to justify the injury as well as the additional expense and inconvenience which such introduction will cause to your Petitioners.

9.—Your Petitioners humbly submit that the lines of Tramway now proposed are not brought forward for the benefit of the public, but mainly for the purpose of private gain.

Your Petitioners, therefore, humbly pray that your Honourable Board will withhold its consent to the proposed lines of Tramway being laid along that part of the Gray's-inn-road which is within the Parish of St. Pancras.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

(Signed)

WILLIAM DAVIDSON,

83, Gray's-inn-road,

And 164 others.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and ~~resolved~~—That the Memorials be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which they relate.

3. This being the day appointed for receiving Designs and Specifications for the construction of a Vessel capable of conveying from the Sewage Outfalls in the Thames out to sea 1,000 tons of Sewage Sludge daily,

The Clerk laid before the Board the several Tenders which he had received pursuant to the Advertisement issued in accordance with the Board's Resolution of 27th November last (No. 6).

It was ~~moved~~, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Tenders be now opened.

Tenders from the undermentioned persons were then opened—

Messrs. W. Simons and Co., London Works, Renfrew, with three Plans.

„ S. and H. Morton and Co., Victoria Docks, Leith, with four Plans.

„ H. S. Edwards and Sons, Northumberland Shipyard, Howdon-on-Tyne, with nine Plans, and a small Photograph.

The Thames Ironworks and Ship Building Company, Limited, W. Hayward, Manager, Orchard-yard, Blackwall, with one Plan.

Messrs. J. and J. C. Spence, Printing-court-buildings, Newcastle-on-Tyne, with three Plans.

Mr. S. Williams, No. 130, Belvedere-road, Lambeth, with one Plan.

Sir W. G. Armstrong, Mitchell and Co., Limited, H. F. Swan, Director, Walker Shipyard, Newcastle-on-Tyne, with six Plans.

Messrs. R. and H. Green, Blackwall-yard, with four Plans.

„ Wood, Skinner, and Co., Bill Quay, Newcastle-on-Tyne, with five Plans.

Barrow Shipbuilding Company, Limited, W. John, General Manager, Barrow-in-Furness, Lancashire, with three Plans.

Messrs. Fleming and Ferguson, Phoenix Works, Paisley, with one Plan.

„ Menzies and Blagburn, No. 150, Leadenhall-street, with four Plans.

Mr. J. Mutch, Clyde-yard, Old Ford Lock, with one Plan.

„ J. Mackie, Turk's-head-yard, with one Plan.

Messrs. E. Withy and Co., West Hartlepool, with one Plan.

„ Hanna, Donald, and Wilson, Abbey Works, Paisley, with one Plan.

Dundee Dredging Company, Limited, No. 69, Ship-street, Brighton, with one Plan.

Messrs. Napier, Shanks, and Bell, Yoker, near Glasgow, with eleven Plans.

Mr. J. A. Yates, No. 274, Dalston-lane, with three Plans.

The Clerk also laid before the Board the undermentioned Letters—

Letter from Messrs. Napier, Shanks, and Bell, dated 27th January, 1886, to the effect that they had omitted to state in their Tender that the steamer would be delivered in six months after acceptance and approval of Plans for the same.

Letter from Messrs. J. and J. C. Spence, dated 28th January, 1886, forwarding a sketch showing how the tanks in the sludge steamer for which they had supplied designs were to be filled.

Letter, Messrs. J. Gavin and Co., dated 28th January, 1886, stating that Messrs. Morton and Co's. agent would attend upon the Board's Officers at any time, should they desire explanations of the Drawings sent in by Messrs. Morton and Co.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Designs and Specifications be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and also to the Engineer and Sir F. Bramwell, to report to the Committee thereon.

The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Oswald and Co., dated 28th January, 1886, stating that by an oversight they had thought that the Designs for the Sludge vessel were not to be sent in until Monday next, the 1st February, and asking whether if they sent in their Designs on that day they would be in time.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Selway—That Messrs. Oswald and Co. be informed that if they will send in their Designs by Monday next the Board will receive the same.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. J. Jones, and seconded by Mr. Phillips—That the Design referred to be not received.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, it was lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, when there were for it 26, against it 9; and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Designs, if sent in, do stand referred to the Committee, for consideration, with the Designs already received.

29 January, 1886.

4. Mr. Harben handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead.

Vestry Hall,
Hampstead, N.W.,
28th January, 1886.

TRAMWAY SCHEMES.

DEAR SIR,—I am desired by the Vestry of this Parish to forward the accompanying copies of Resolutions passed at a Meeting held this evening upon the subject of the under-mentioned Tramway Bills affecting this Parish, viz.—

The Cricklewood, Kilburn, and Harrow-road Tramways Bill ;

The London Street Tramways (Extension) Bill ;

and to state that the proposed Memorial to the Metropolitan Board of Works, asking them to oppose such Bills, will be forwarded as speedily as possible.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the
Metropolitan Board of Works.

Vestry of St. John, Hampstead.

Copy Resolutions passed at a Meeting of the Vestry, held 28th January, 1886.

1.—That this Vestry refuses its consent to the Cricklewood, Kilburn and Harrow-road Tramways Bill.

2.—That the Solicitor of the Vestry be instructed to take all necessary steps to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

3.—That a Memorial be presented to the Metropolitan Board of Works, asking them to oppose the Cricklewood, Kilburn and Harrow-road Tramways Bill.

4.—That the Vestry do oppose the Chalk-farm lines of the London Street Tramways Extensions Bill, so far as they affect the Adelaide-road, in this Parish, and that the necessary Petition be presented to Parliament for that purpose ; also that a Memorial be presented to the Metropolitan Board of Works, asking them to oppose the introduction of a Tramway in the Adelaide-road.

5.—That the Vestry do not oppose the South End-green line of the London Street Tramways Extensions Bill, except for the purpose of obtaining protective Clauses for the Parish, and that the necessary Petition by the Vestry be prepared and presented to Parliament, in order to obtain a *locus standi*.

It was *moved* by Mr. Harben, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject of the Bills to which it relates.

5. Mr. Harris handed in a Letter, as follows—

St. Saviour's District Board of Works.

Board-room, Emerson-street, Bankside, Southwark, S.E.,
28th January, 1886.

STACKING OF FIREWOOD.

DEAR SIR,—This Board has considered your circular Letter, dated the 15th instant, announcing the intention of your Board to introduce into Parliament, this Session, a Bill to regulate the stacking of Firewood in the Metropolis, and has unanimously passed the following Resolution with regard thereto :—

“That this Board is of opinion there is not sufficient justification for interfering with
“ the Firewood trade of the Metropolis, and that, in the interest of the workpeople
“ employed in the trade, it is unwise to do so.”

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. H. ATKINS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Harris, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references, already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

6. Mr. Williams handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Lewisham District.

Catford, S.E.,

21st January, 1886.

SIR,—My Board has had under its consideration the necessity for the provision of additional means of communication with the Fire Stations in the Hamlet of Penge, in their District, and they are of opinion that fire-alarm circuits should be established in addition to any existing means of communication, by wire from the Escapes or Police Stations, and my Board would suggest the following sites as suitable for such Fire Alarms—one near the Vestry-hall ; one in Maple-road, near Woodbine-grove ; one at the top of Beckenham-road, near Penge Railway Station, and one in South Penge-park.

My Board trust that you will take into consideration the above subject at your early convenience.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) H. S. WINNETT,
Clerk to the Board.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.

It was *moved* by Mr. Williams, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration and report.

7. Mr. Meaden handed in a Letter from Mr. H. G. Hills, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 28th January, 1886, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the Engineer's Report on Railway and other schemes of the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Meaden, seconded, and *resolved*—That the request be complied with.

8. Mr. Ingoldby handed in a Letter, as follows—

Parish of St. Luke, Middlesex.

Vestry Clerk's Office,

Vestry-hall, City-road, E.C.

28th January, 1886.

SIR,—Adverting to the Letter, dated 2nd December ultimo, from the Engineer to the Board, and to your Letter, dated 24th December ultimo, respectively, with reference to the Parliamentary Schemes for the current Session affecting the Parish, I beg to state that the Vestry of St. Luke, Middlesex, have had under consideration the proposals of the North Metropolitan Tramway Company to double a portion of their single line of Tramway in the Goswell-road, together with the Report of their Surveyor thereupon. From a print of this Report, and a copy of the tracing referred to therein which I herewith enclose, and which have been approved by the Vestry, the Metropolitan Board of Works will gather the views of the Vestry in regard to the Company's proposals, and to the further widening of the road-way in the Goswell-road on the Clerkenwell side ; which widening the Vestry think should be effected before sanction be given to the proposed alteration of the existing lines.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) G. W. PRESTON,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, Whitehall, S.W.

The Tracing and Report referred to in the foregoing Letter were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ingoldby, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

9. Mr. Hewitt handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the St. Giles District.

197, High Holborn, W.C.,
Clerk's Department,
January 28th, 1886.

SIR,—The attention of this Board has, from time to time, been drawn to the very severe fires which frequently occur within the Metropolis, and to the entire absence of any inquiry into the causes thereof, and, having regard especially to the serious loss of life which often occurs, I am directed to urge upon the consideration of the Metropolitan Board of Works the desirability of taking steps to obtain an official inquiry into the cause of all fires in the Metropolis which the Metropolitan Fire Brigade is called upon to deal with.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) HENRY C. JONES.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Hewitt, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration and report.

10. Mr. Harben, in the absence of Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 26th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 9th January, 1886 £349,662 4 7
 Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day 86,725 4 2

Payments since 9th January, 1886 £436,387 8 9
 126,790 19 8
 Balance on 23rd January, 1886 { viz : Cash Balance at Bank ... £310,200 8 5
 Less cheques not presented 603 19 4

309,596 9 1

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance *overdrawn* on 9th January, 1886 £1,590 18 5
 Receipts since that date 7,515 6 2

Payments since 9th January, 1886 £5,924 7 9
 4,868 14 8

Balance on 23rd January, 1886 { viz.: Cash Balance at Bank... £1,069 19 3
 Less cheques not presented 14 6 2

1,055 13 1

Total Cash Balances on 23rd January, 1886**£310,652 2 2**

Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 9th January, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.				Balances, 23rd January, 1886.		Cheques drawn but not issued.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.			At Debit.	At Credit.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Working Accounts—									
General	187,353 15 8	...	64,455 17 9	4,203 10 1		127,101 8 -	...	...	27 14 1
Fire Brigade	1,423 19 5	...	3,254 11 3	4,218 17 -		2,388 5 2	...	...	16 10
Bridges	...	6,078 14 5	320 9 9	13 14 -		...	6,385 10 2	...	...
Capital Accounts—									
General	...	594,795 11 3	...	99,601 5 7		...	495,194 5 8	...	...
Fire Brigade	...	...	...	33 11 5		33 11 5	...	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1877)... ..	...	...	...	14 7 6		14 7 6	...	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1881)	...	...	...	1,978 13 10		1,978 13 10	...	...	2,625 19 10
Bridges (Act of 1883)	...	...	...	22 1 -		22 1 -	...	...	...
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	...	...	...	266 2 -		266 2 -	...	...	43 - -
Works and Open Spaces	...	...	...	39 14 8		39 14 8	...	...	...
Highbury Fields	60,301 11 6	...	...	...		60,301 11 6	...	...	...
Streets (Act of 1877)... ..	607 5 6	...	...	7,230 9 5		7,837 14 11	...	...	10,759 13 11
Streets (Act of 1883)... ..	1,638 2 -	...	...	3,340 15 1		4,978 17 1	...	...	17,724 1 2
Streets (Act of 1884)... ..	...	...	...	2,835 18 9		2,835 18 9	...	...	6 1 6
Streets (Act of 1885)... ..	...	...	...	7 10 -		7 10 -	...	...	...
Spald Street	...	39 - 1	12 10 -	...		...	51 10 1	...	...
Unimproved Improvements	26,885 18 1	...	22 10 -	995 16 7		27,859 4 8	...	...	11,025 2 5
Public Improvement... ..	16 19 7	...	...	...		16 19 7	...	...	...
James Floods Prevention	...	...	...	48 6 3		48 6 3	...	...	...
Miscellaneous—									
Building House Improvement Fund... ..	...	3,673 14 6	5,457 11 3	1,640 4 10		...	7,491 - 11	...	11,190 9 6
Consolidated Loans Fund	...	23,085 16 2	13,201 14 2	300 1 8		...	35,987 8 8	...	227 14 8
Firemen's Savings Fund	...	216 19 11	...	...		...	216 19 11	...	...
	278,227 11 9	627,889 16 4	86,725 4 2	126,790 19 8		235,730 6 4	545,326 15 5		53,646 7 1
	£349,662 4 7					£309,596 9 1			

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND
 GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT

INVESTMENTS.

£3,120 8 5
 £100,000 - -

Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.
 Treasury Bills, due 7th April, 1886.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 11th to 23rd January, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Assessments—											
Fulham District	...	...	...	...	...	£10,603	5	3			
Hackney District	...	...	...	...	...	15,426	3	11			
Holborn District	...	...	...	...	...	4,636	4	—			
Kensington ...	...	...	...	...	...	26,924	15	4			
St. Mary's, Newington	...	...	...	...	...	6,460	12	3			
									64,051	—	9
Supplemental Assessment, <i>re</i> Government property—											
Rotherhithe ...	...	...	...	...	...				5	11	7
Fees—											
<i>Re</i> Construction of buildings (Building Act)	...	...	...	...	...	£3	5	—			
„ Dangerous structures	...	...	...	...	...	143	9	6			
„ Gas-meter testing	...	...	...	...	...	130	10	6			
„ Petroleum	...	...	...	...	...	14	10	—			
„ Explosives	...	...	...	...	...	5	11	—			
									297	6	—
Fines—											
<i>Re</i> Thames Floods Prevention Act	...	...	...	...	...	£5	—	—			
„ Metropolis Local Management Act	...	...	...	...	...	—	10	—			
									5	10	—
Costs recovered—											
<i>Re</i> Leases	...	...	...	...	...	£13	15	—			
„ Rent	...	...	...	...	...	2	16	—			
Law-costs	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	—			
									18	15	—
Proceeds of sales of carcasses—											
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	...	...	...	...	...				45	15	9
Plans, &c., sold	...	...	...	...	...				3	1	2
Refund of cost of chemicals, &c., supplied to gas-testing stations	...	...	...	...	...				28	17	6
											64,455 17 9
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.											
Contribution from Commissioners of H.M. Works, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	2,500	—	—			
Contribution from insurance company	...	...	...	...	...	629	18	9			
Contributions from men towards rent	...	...	...	...	...	104	1	—			
Chimney-fire penalties...	...	...	...	...	...	20	1	6			
Refund of medical officer's fee	...	...	...	...	...	—	10	—			
											3,254 11 3
BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...	20	9	9			
Justices of the Peace for Surrey—											
One-quarter's contribution towards the maintenance of bridges	...	...	...	...	...	300	—	—			
											320 9 9
APPOLD STREET.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...						12 10 —
HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...						22 10 —
DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...	36	17	—			
Sales—											
Goulston-street	...	...	...	...	...	5,400	—	—			
Interest, <i>re</i> sales—											
Goulston-street	...	...	...	...	...	20	14	3			
											5,457 11 3
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...	7,055	15	2			
Loans—											
Interest	...	...	...	...	...	£1,270	11	9			
Repayments	...	...	...	...	...	623	4	—			
									1,893	15	9
Carried forward	...	...	...	...	...	£8,949	10	11	72,523	10	—

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	8,949	10	11	73,523	10	-
Sales—											
Charing-cross (old materials)	...	...	...	£133	9	6					
Camberwell	...	...	...	35	-	-					
Bethnal-green	...	...	...	4,082	-	-					
Old stores	...	...	...	-	15	-					
						4,251	4	6			
Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by the Board					...	-	18	9			
									13,201	14	2
									<u>£86,725</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct ; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £90,802 18s. 9d. be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding ; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Lambeth, requesting payment of the Board's promised contributions towards the Improvements effected by the Vestry at South Lambeth-road, China-walk, and Stangate, referred by the Board on the 18th ultimo (No. 41). The Board on the 8th May 1874 (No. 11), the 24th March, 1882 (No. 8), and the 15th December, 1882 (No. 6) respectively, agreed to contribute one-half of the net cost, not exceeding the respective sums of £275, £1,500, and £400, of carrying out the Improvements referred to, on the usual Certificates of their Officers of the completion and cost of the works. Your Superintending Architect has reported the satisfactory completion of the several works, and your Accountant has certified that the respective sums of £524 7s., £2,300, and £565 have been expended by the Vestry in carrying out the same, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn for £262, in favour of the Vestry of Lambeth, being one-half of the cost, as agreed to be contributed by the Board, towards the Improvement effected at South Lambeth-road.

That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £1,150, in favour of the Vestry of Lambeth, being the amount of the Board's promised contribution towards the Improvement at China-walk.

That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £282, in favour of the Vestry of Lambeth, being one-half of the cost, as agreed to be contributed by the Board, towards the Improvement at Stangate.

Your Committee have considered the application from the Wandsworth District Board, for payment of this Board's promised contributions towards the cost of widening Battersea-park-road and Candahar-road, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 30). The Board on the 25th May, 1883 (No. 6), and 11th December, 1885 (No. 5), agreed to contribute the respective sums of £880 and £311 towards effecting the Improvement upon the usual Certificates of their Officers. The requisite Certificates by your Superintending Architect, of the completion of the work, and by your Accountant, that the sum of £2,382 9s. 7d. has been expended by the District Board in effecting the same, having been presented to your Committee, they recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £1,191, in favour of the Wandsworth District Board, being the amount of this Board's promised contribution towards the cost of widening Battersea-park-road and Candahar-road, Battersea.

Pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd October, 1885 (No. 38), your Committee have considered the Letter from the Fulham District Board, asking for permission to borrow and also for the advance of the sum of £5,081, to defray the cost of certain Improvement, paving, and other works. Your Engineer reports that of the amount applied for, £800 is required as a moiety of the contribution to be paid by the

District Board towards the cost of constructing the Gliddon-road Bridge (which was sanctioned by this Board on the 15th February, 1884), £514 19s. 7d. for works for the prevention of floods at Fulham and Hammersmith, £1,172 18s. 4d. for paving 12,609 superficial feet of new 3-inch York stone footways, and for laying 1,300 feet run of granite kerb, and 4,613 feet run of granite channel, and the construction of five gullies, and £159 18s. 3d. for the erection of a urinal at Broadway, Hammersmith, the cost of which works is stated to be reasonable. Your Superintending Architect has reported that seven Improvements have been effected by the District Board, at a cost for the land (after crediting this Board's contributions) of £1,831 10s., and for the works of £488 13s. 10d., which he considers fair and reasonable, and making, with £32 for contingencies, a total of £5,000. Mr. Brown, the representative of the District Board, has attended your Committee, when the matter has been under consideration, and has given information as to the necessity for the several works; and, having regard thereto and to the Officers' Reports, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Fulham District Board, for permission to borrow, and also for the advance of £5,001 to defray the cost of certain Improvements, paving and other works, be granted to the extent of £5,000, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, as to £1,830, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st December, in each year; and as to the balance of the Loan, on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January; as to £1,830 for land for Improvement works, in 55 years, from 1st January, 1886, and on each 1st January as to £1,310 for the contribution towards the cost of the Gliddon-road Bridge, and expenses for the prevention of floods, in 30 years; and as to £1,860 for paving and other works, in 10 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Plumstead District Board, for permission to borrow, and also for the advance of a sum of £1,800, referred by the Board on the 18th ultimo (No. 39). The District Board propose to raise to this Board's standard level of 18 feet above Ordnance datum, and to repair the bank of the river Thames, at Charlton, at an estimated cost of £1,978 7s. 2d. which your Engineer considers to be fair and reasonable. Your Committee see no objection to the Board granting the application, the Plans of the works having been approved by the Board on the 5th June last (No. 12), and they accordingly recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents, and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Plumstead District Board, for an advance of a sum of £1,800, to defray the cost of raising and repairing the River banks at Charlton, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January within 4 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Charlton Burial Board, requesting an advance of a sum of £4,150, referred by the Board on the 13th November last (No. 44). Of the amount proposed to be borrowed by the Burial Board, £1,000, is required for laying out new ground at their Cemetery, and £3,150 for paying off the balance of £4,500 borrowed at £5 per cent. to purchase three acres of Freehold land for the purpose of enlarging the Cemetery. The requisite consents of the Vestry and Treasury have been obtained, and your Superintending Architect has reported that the estimated cost of the buildings to be erected and of the laying out of the ground, and the contingent expenses, amounting to £1,000, is reasonable. The advance of £4,500 to be re-paid in thirty years was made by the Public Works Loan Commissioners on 18th February, 1876, and your Committee consider that the balance (£3,150) of the

amount, now proposed to be borrowed, should be paid within that period, and they accordingly recommend—

That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Charlton Burial Board, for a Loan of a sum of £1,000, for works in laying out new ground, and £3,150 for paying off an old debt, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January as to £3,150, within 20 years from 18th February, 1886; and as to £1,000, within 30 years; that the sum of £5 5s. be charged for Surveyor's Fees; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Fulham District Board, for permission to borrow, and also for the advance of a sum of £6,710, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, referred by the Board on the 8th instant (No. 29). The District Board propose to have laid down 5,111 superficial yards of wood-paving in the Hammersmith-road, between Rowan-road and Brook-green, on Portland cement concrete foundations, 6 inches in thickness, and 8,444 yards to be laid from the Parish boundary, by Brook-green, to the centre of the Addison-road Railway Bridge, at an estimated cost, including 10 per cent. for contingencies, of £2,530 and £4,180 respectively. Your Engineer has examined the estimate for the work (£6,710), and reports it to be fair and reasonable. Mr. Brown, the representative of the District Board, has attended your Committee, and stated the urgent necessity for the work being carried out forthwith, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Fulham District Board, for permission to borrow and also for the advance of a sum of £6,710, for defraying the cost of laying wood-paving in the Hammersmith-road, be granted to the extent of £6,700, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July and the 1st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January, within Six years, that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

The Board are aware that, under their Various Powers Act, 1885, the sum of £60,000 was to be paid for the purchase of Highbury-fields, and that the Vestry of St. Mary, Islington, are required from time to time to contribute towards such expenses as may be incurred by the Board in relation to the purchase and acquisition of the Fields, to the extent of one-half of such expenses. The Board have recently paid the £60,000, and a moiety of that amount, therefore, becomes payable by the Vestry. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That a formal request be addressed to the Vestry of Islington, that the sum of £30,000 may be paid to the Board on account of the purchase of Highbury-fields.

On the 18th December last (No. 6), the Board made an Order directing that the whole management of the property which has been leased by the Board should be referred to your Committee. An application has been received from one of the Board's tenants, for permission to make certain structural alterations to the "Admiral Keppel" Public-house, in High-street, Shoreditch, and as it appears doubtful whether the reference was intended to include applications of that nature, which have always hitherto been dealt with by the Works, &c. Committee, your Committee consider it desirable that the subjects proposed to be covered by the reference should be more specifically defined, and they therefore recommend—

That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Your Committee beg to report, for the information of the Board, that the final instalment of the Loan of £1,750,000, raised by the Board in Metropolitan Consolidated Stock in 1885, was received on the 10th December last.

In accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 17th April, 1885 (No. 6), your Committee beg to submit a Return showing that the amount of Loans granted by this Board to other public bodies up to the 31st December, 1885, is £8,790,753.

Your Committee beg also to submit a Return of Gas-meters received to be tested, with the fees charged for the same, for the quarter ended the 26th December last.

Your Committee recommend—

That the undermentioned Cheques, which have been drawn longer than three months, be cancelled—

<i>Streets (Act of 1883) Account.</i>						
No. 525.	1885, October 26th—Mr. J. Martin	...	...	...	£10	0 0
„ 526.	„ „ „ „ Mr. J. S. Marsh	...	...	...	30	0 0

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) HENRY HARBEN,
JOHN TOLHURST,
GEORGE JAMES.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.							£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
COMPENSATION FOR CATTLE SLAUGHTERED UNDER CONTAGIOUS DISEASES												
(ANIMALS) ACT—(181)—												
6045	Thorpe, J. T.	...	...	...	...	£16 10	-					
6046	Thomas, J.	...	...	...	...	34 10	-					
6047	Morgan, E. D.	...	...	...	...	15	-	-				
6048	Rowland, Mrs. M. A.	...	...	...	...	12 15	-					
6049	Reynolds and Son	...	...	...	...	147 15	-					
6050	Stevens, Mrs. E.	...	...	...	...	17 5	-					
6051	Taylor, E.	...	...	...	...	12 15	-					
6052	Covell, E.	...	...	...	...	67 10	-					
6053	Gibbs, H.	...	...	...	...	30	-	-				
6054	Phillips, D.	...	...	...	...	19 10	-					
6055	Jenkins, G.	...	...	...	...	13 10	-					
							387	-	-			
COMPENSATION FOR SWINE SLAUGHTERED UNDER CONTAGIOUS DISEASES												
(ANIMALS) ACT—(182)—												
6056	Woods, T.	...	...	...	...	£29	-	-				
6057	Davis, R. C.	...	...	...	...	117 5	-					
							146	5	-			
HORNSEY LOCAL BOARD—(229)—												
6058	In respect of footpaths, not repaired, but taken over by that Board, as per Order of Works, &c., Committee, 11th January, 1886						137	3	2			
COMMISSIONERS OF METROPOLITAN POLICE, per Bank of England—(230)—												
6059	Attendance of constables at offices of the Board, August and September, 1885						29	3	-			
ROWNEY, G., AND Co.—(150)—												
6060	Drawing materials, July to December, 1885						9	5	2			
HOE, R., AND SONS—(149)—												
6061	Office bags and repairs, October to December, 1885						6	7	6			
RELLEEN AND JENKINS—(102)—												
6062	Sweeping office chimneys, July to December, 1885						9	6	6			
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(228 and 235)—												
6063	Coals, December, 1885—											
	Offices, Spring-gardens						£29 18	-				
	Pumping-stations and sewerage experiments						1,875 15 10					
							1,905	13	10			
JOHNSON, S. H., AND Co.—(233)—												
6064	Cloths for sewerage experiments, November, 1885						43	11	-			
NEW RIVER Co.—(178 and 234)—												
6065	Expenses in connection with examination and repairing of watering-posts, cocks, &c., Victoria-embankment, August, 1885						£7 15	9				
	Hydrants (Northern district), March to May, 1885						1,048 13	9				
							1,056	9	6			
Carried forward							£3,730	4	8			

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward						3,730	4	8	...		
GAS LIGHT AND COKE Co.—(151 and 231)—											
6066 Repairs, &c., in respect of lamp service—											
Chelsea-embankment, November, 1885						£2	4	10			
Victoria-embankment, May and June, 1885						46	15	3			
						49	—	1			
IDE, T. AND W.—(232)—											
6067 Bent glass for repairs to lamps, Victoria-embankment, December, 1885						4	10	—			
MACFARLANE BROTHERS—(3302)—											
6068 Repairs, &c., at Finsbury-park, July to October, 1885						33	19	8			
HOBMAN, A. T., AND SON—(3299)—											
6069 Loam and carting work for Southwark-park, August to October, 1885						41	5	—			
BRASS, W., AND SON—(222)—											
6070 Shoring, hoarding, &c., dangerous structures						102	7	8			
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(221)—											
Fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures—											
6071	Carritt, E.	...	...	...	...	£3	10	—			
6072	Fletcher, B.	...	...	...	...	7	5	—			
6073	Fowler, C.	...	...	...	...	2	5	—			
6074	Hammon, H. J.	...	...	...	...	6	10	—			
6075	Jennings, J.	...	...	...	...	2	—	—			
6076	Kerr, R.	...	...	...	...	3	10	—			
6077	Lansdown, G.	...	...	...	...	12	7	6			
6078	Legg, H. S.	...	...	...	...	3	7	6			
6079	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	...	3	15	—			
6080	Notley, R. P.	...	...	...	...	8	5	—			
6081	Oliver, H.	...	...	...	...	6	12	—			
6082	Peebles, A.	...	...	...	...	2	5	—			
6083	Porter, F. W.	...	...	...	...	7	2	6			
6084	Smith, T. R.	...	...	...	...	5	5	—			
6085	Stenning, A. R.	...	...	...	...	2	15	—			
6086	Tolley, J.	...	...	...	...	2	10	—			
6087	Wallen, F.	...	...	...	...	2	15	—			
						81	19	6			
WILSON, E. J.—(104)—											
6088 One-year's subscription for the Superintending Architect to the estate exchange for 1886						5	5	—			
HALLING, PEARCE AND STONE—(239)—											
6089 Carpets, matting, &c., for offices, Spring-gardens, October and November, 1885						49	7	5			
BESLEY, E. T. E.—(171)—											
6090 Counsel's fees <i>re</i> Humphrey (Building Act case), January, 1886						8	18	—			
WYATT, HOSKINS AND HOOKER—(238)—											
6091 Taxed costs of petition <i>re</i> Board's Various Powers Bill, 1885						262	19	4			
DYSON AND Co.—(237)—											
6092 Fees on taxation of costs of petition, <i>re</i> Various Powers Bill, 1885						6	5	—			
SCOTT, T.—(184)—											
6093 Subscription for chancery cause list for the year 1886						2	2				
PERRY, W. R.—(174)—											
6094 Subscription to "Perry's" bankrupt and insolvent registry for the year 1886						10	10	—			
WEST HAM GAS Co.—(177)—											
6095 Gas for Abbey Mills pumping-station, quarter to Christmas, 1885						153	16	—			
GREAT EASTERN RAILWAY Co.—(186)—											
6096 Rent of arch at Hackney-downs, used for storage of gardening implements, &c., to Christmas, 1885						2	—	—			
Carried forward						£4,544	9	4	...		

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	4,544	9	4	...	...	...
BANK OF ENGLAND—(224)—						
6097 Half-year's interest on balance of loan of £66,000, due 1st February, 1886 (less tax)	574	4	-	5,118	13	4
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.						
JUDD AND Co.—(101)—						
2500 Printing daily reports of fires, quarter to 31st December, 1885 ...	88	17	6			
SMITH, J., AND Co.—(168)—						
2501 Stationery, books, &c., quarter to 30th September, 1885 ...	68	13	2			
HORSE-HIRE, for drawing engines, hose-vans, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885—(105)—						
2502 Arber, G.	£32	10	-			
2503 Atkins, A.	327	-	-			
2504 Bridge, L.	572	-	-			
2505 Dickenson and Cooper	35	-	-			
2506 Jenks, D.	37	10	-			
2507 Murray, J.	201	10	-			
2508 Nightingale, H. W.	29	5	-			
2509 Puddefoot, G.	70	-	-			
2510 Smith, J.	37	10	-			
2511 Tilling, T.	920	-	-			
2512 Williams, Mrs. S.	37	10	-			
2513 Wragg, E. J.	87	10	-	2,387	5	-
MERRYWEATHER AND SONS—(162)—						
2514 Repairs to engines, &c., October to December, 1885 ...	43	13	4			
PONTIFEX AND WOOD—(164)—						
2515 Gun-metal nozzles, &c., October to December, 1885 ...	22	5	3			
SHAND, MASON AND Co.—(16)—						
2516 Scaling-ladders, December, 1885 ...	22	16	-			
FRASER AND FRASER—(158)—						
2517 Repairs to boiler, &c., of float "Beaver," December, 1885... ..	7	6				
DEWRANCE, J., AND Co.—(156)—						
2518 Repairs to pressure-gauges, October to December, 1885 ...	2	18	6			
NORRIS, S. E., AND Co.—(163)—						
2519 Suction-hose, leather for repairs, &c., October to December, 1885 ...	119	10	-			
SANDELL, J., AND Co.—(166)—						
2520 Timber for use in workshops, October to December, 1885 ...	49	18	3			
SMALLBONE, C.—(167)—						
2521 Furniture for stations, quarter to 31st December, 1885 ...	61	7	-			
GREEN, J.—(159)—						
2522 Oils, colours, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885 ...	554	6	8			
PATTENDEN AND HICKS—(165)—						
2523 Rope, canvas, tarpaulins, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885 ...	143	9	11			
ELLIOTT, J. J., AND Co.—(157)—						
2524 Clocks for stations and repairs, quarter to 31st December, 1885 ...	22	16	-			
CLAMP, G.—(154)—						
2525 Taking charge of engine and appliances at North Woolwich, quarter to 31st December, 1885 ...	6	10	-			
MOORE, A.—(14)—						
2526 Lamp-tablets and repairs, July, 1885 ...	43	13	7			
ALMOND, G. AND W.—(153)—						
2527 Helmets, fittings, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885 ...	55	3	6			
COMPTON, J., AND SONS—(155)—						
2528 Uniform-clothing for firemen, quarter to 31st December, 1885 ...	80	2	11			
Carried forward	£3,780	12	7	5,118	13	4

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	3,780	12	7	5,118	13	4
COHEN, S., AND Co.—(8)—											
2529	Waterproof clothing and repairs, quarter to 31st December, 1885...					22	3	—			
HOUGHTON, J.—(11)—											
2530	Boot-trees, December, 1885	...	...	...	...	4	16	—			
GOTCH, T. H., AND SONS—(10)—											
2531	Boots for firemen, September to November, 1885			...	...	26	9	3			
LILLIE, H. W.—(161)—											
2532	Firewood, quarter to 31st December, 1885		...	...	...	131	5	—			
KEARLEY, C. F.—(160)—											
2533	Repairs at stations, February to April, 1885		...	...	...	21	19	3			
									3,987	5	1

BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.

GAS LIGHT AND COKE Co.—(103)—									
97	Gas for lamps on bridges, three quarters to 31st December, 1885	...					319	11	3

FIRE BRIGADE CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

STIMPSON AND Co.—(169)—									
2534	Further on account of contract for erection of station at Bishopsgate-street Without (No. 711) ...	...	...	...	...		670	8	2

MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.

WADDELL, J.—(242)—									
1248	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers, &c., in Clapham, Battersea, Wandsworth and Putney (No. 614) ...	1,000	-	-					
RIGBY, W.—(240)—									
1249	Further on account of contract for construction of the relief-lines to the Holloway and Northern High-level sewers (No. 720) ...	4,885	-	-	5,885	-	-		

STREETS (ACT OF 1877).

TURNER & SON (241)—									
8566	Further on account of contract for paving and other works between Bloomsbury-street and New Oxford-street (No. 728)	386	14	5					

GAS LIGHT AND COKE Co.—(152)—									
8567	Altering mains, &c, Bell-court, Gray's-inn-road, September, 1885...	18	10	11					

ABBOTT, C. J.—(226)—									
8568	Sheriff's fees, <i>re</i> Willis (Southwark-bridge-road) ...	24	15	-	430	-	4		

BRIDGES (ACT OF 1881).

WADDELL, J.—(243)—									
14	Further on account of contract for construction of bridge at Putney (No. 597)....	...	...	...	...	...	1,000	-	-

BRIDGES (ACT OF 1883).

WOLLASTON, S. G. B.—(227)—									
1	Photography, November and December, 1885, Hammersmith-bridge ...	26	6	6					
AIRY, W.—(7)—									
2	Inspecting ironwork for Hammersmith-bridge, November and December, 1885 ...	14	15	10	41	2	4		

DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

SURVEYORS' INSTITUTION—(236)—									
5640	Hire of rooms for arbitration, <i>re</i> School Board for London, (Goulston-street) ...	...	...	...	...	...	2	12	6

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

BANK OF ENGLAND—(225)—									
1525	One-quarter's dividend on £3 per cent. Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, due 1st February, 1886 ...	...	...	...	...	67,500	-	-	
	Carried forward ...	...	...	...	...	£84,954	13	-	

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	84,954	13	-

SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.

FREEMAN, G. M.—(172)—

1873 Counsel's fees, October to December, 1885—

<i>General Capital Account</i>	148	1	6			
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	1	3	6			
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	5	10	-			
				154	15	-

HODGES AND SON—(173)—

1874 Short-hand notes, November and December, 1885—

<i>General Working Account</i>	3	7	-			
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	11	4	8			
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	5	10	-			
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	39	3	4			
				59	5	-

STREET BROTHERS—(175)—

1875 Advertisements, December, 1885—

<i>General Working Account</i>	463	-	-			
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	21	1	9			
				484	1	9

SMITH, J., AND EUSTACE, E.—(185)—

1876 Commission on rents collected during the quarter ending
31st December, 1885—

<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	3	14	7			
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	5	12	4			
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	1	12	6			
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	90	12	4			
				101	11	9

TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(244 and 245)—

Re-payment of advances—

1877 Weekly wages—Two weeks to 20th January, 1886—

<i>General Working Account</i>	£1,607	17	-			
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	3	6	-			
<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	4	4	-			
<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	18	6	-			
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	128	2	-			
<i>Parks and Open Spaces...</i>	15	5	1			
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	14	14	-			
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	2	8	-			
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	21	3	10			
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	88	9	2			
<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	14	14	-			
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	32	4	6			
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	38	12	-			
				1,989	5	7

Firemen's wages—Two weeks to 23rd January, 1886—

<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	2,001	10	-			
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Weekly pensions to 16th January, 1886—

<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	9	-	-			
				3,999	15	7

1878 Petty disbursements, 4th to 16th January, 1886—

a <i>General Working Account</i>	£92	11	9			
b <i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	£5	3	8			
<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	-	1	8			
				5	5	4
c <i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	-	17	9			
d <i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	2	7	4			
e <i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	-	15	6			

Carried forward	£101	17	8	...	89,754	2	1
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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	89,754	2	1
TRANSFER TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)	...	...	101	17	8				
Compensations to tenants on removal—									
† Streets (Act of 1877)	...	...	£51	10	-				
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	...	...	152	10	-				
			204	-	-				
Postages, 4th to 16th January, 1886—									
g General Working Account	...	...	£23	-	-				
Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	5	-	-				
			28	-	-				
Moiety of insurances to Midsummer, 1886, re City of London Brewery Co.—									
h Hampstead Improvements	...	...	1	5					
Costs of production of deeds, re Cowan (Hammersmith)—									
i Bridges (Act of 1883)	...	...	1	3	6				
Rent in respect of outbuildings in Rochester-place (Kentish-town-road)—									
j Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	1	4	2		337	10	4
Premiums on insurance of properties occupied by the Board or taken for improvements—									
k General Working Account	...	...	22	2	3				
Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	8	-	6				
Bridges (Maintenance) Account	...	...	-	15	-				
Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	2	2	-		32	19	9
Special jury expenses, re Willis (Southwark-bridge-road)—									
l Streets (Act of 1877)	...	...	...	...	...		30	7	-
Expenses at fires and incidentals, December, 1885—									
m Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	...	...		261	18	3
Amounts to be paid through the Account—									
Bills, &c., for sums under £2—									
n General Working Account—									
New River Co.—Rent of drain, Finsbury-park	...	...	£-	10	-				
Great Eastern Railway Co.—Rent of sluice-gate and tide-gauge, North Woolwich	...	...	-	2	-				
Buckley, J.—Cartage of gas-meter apparatus...	...	...	-	10	6				
Sanitas Co., Limited — Sanitas emulsion for office use	...	...	-	18	-				
Soper, J.—Repairs to blinds at offices	...	...	1	17	8				
Willing and Co.—Driver's badge, Hampstead-heath	...	...	-	2	6				
Whitfield, E. T.—Leather writing case	...	...	1	1	-				
Kelly, G. — Index to parliamentary notices	...	...	-	10	-				
Morse, S.—Copies of order, re electric lighting	...	...	-	6	6				
District Surveyors — Fees, re dangerous structures	...	...	15	2	6		21	-	8
o Fire Brigade Working Account—									
Wilson, A., and Co.—Repairs to boiler of float	...	...	-	15	6				
Carried forward	...	...	£-	15	6	21	-	8	662 15 4 89,754 2 1

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	...	...	...	..	..	..	83,754	2	1
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)	£-	15	6	21	-	8	662	15	4
Paxman, E. J.—Carriage of lamp and materials, Holborn street-station	-	10	-						
				1	5	6			
<i>p Bridges (Maintenance) Account—</i>									
Nichols, W., and Son—Knee-boots for inspector of works	£1	8	-						
Whiteman and Co.—Stencil-plates, Albert and Battersea bridges	-	11	-						
				1	19	-			
<i>q Hampstead Improvements—</i>									
West, King, Adams and Co.—Charges for information, <i>re</i> Reed's trustee				1	1	-			
<i>r Bridges (Act of 1881)—</i>									
Foakes, C. J.—Attendance at trial, <i>re</i> Hanson and Bowden (Putney)				1	15	-			
Rates and taxes on premises occupied by the Board, or taken for improvements—									
<i>s General Working Account</i>	-	10	10						
<i>t Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	247	5	2						
<i>u Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	4	15	2						
<i>v Hampstead Improvements</i>	25	12	2						
<i>w Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	80	16	10						
				386	1	4			
							1,048	16	5
							£90,802	18	9

Examined,
(signed) HENRY HARBEN,
GEORGE JAMES,
W. URQUHART,
CHAS. HARRIS,
CHARLES MOSSOP.

Certified,
(signed) A. GUNN,
Accountant.

RETURN as to Loans advanced, or in process of advance, up to 31st December, 1885, submitted with the Report.

Borrowers.	Loans Advanced.	Loans in Process of Advance.
	£	£
School Board for London	3,340,000	nil
Metropolitan Asylum District Managers	1,290,396	nil
Vestries and District Boards	1,867,081	40,500
Guardians	1,722,328	5,000
Other Public Bodies under Loans Acts	468,006	nil
" " Special Acts	102,942	nil
	8,790,753	45,500
	£8,836,253	

The Debt raised by the Board in Metropolitan Consolidated Stock up to the same date was £25,496,644.

(Signed) A. GUNN,
Accountant.

RETURN showing the number of Gas Meters received by each Inspector, with the amount of Fees charged for the same, for the quarter ending 26th December, 1885, submitted with the Report of the Committee.

Week ending	Number of Meters.				Amount of Fees.			
	Mr. Airey.	Mr. Dethridge.	Mr. Mills.	Total.	White Lion-street, Spitalfields.	Castle-street, Southwark.	St. Ann-street, Westminster.	Total.
1885.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Oct. 3	501	646	734	1,881	17 13 6	21 3 6	27 18 -	66 15 -
" 10	610	601	1,009	2,220	20 9 -	21 - 6	30 11 6	72 1 -
" 17	415	582	610	1,607	14 2 -	20 8 6	22 3 6	56 14 -
" 24	299	590	618	1,507	12 13 -	20 15 6	22 - 6	55 9 -
" 31	638	710	1,010	2,358	21 10 6	24 15 6	30 12 -	76 18 -
Nov. 7	561	885	606	2,052	18 3 6	28 6 6	21 15 6	68 5 6
" 14	556	491	748	1,795	18 - 6	16 16 6	26 15 6	61 12 6
" 21	629	610	998	2,237	20 5 -	21 14 -	31 7 -	73 6 -
" 28	438	562	1,051	2,051	16 3 6	19 7 6	30 6 6	65 17 6
Dec. 5	508	576	1,056	2,140	18 7 -	20 - -	36 - 6	74 7 6
" 12	411	466	998	1,875	14 19 6	15 17 6	26 16 -	57 13 -
" 19	382	850	804	2,036	13 18 6	29 16 6	30 9 6	74 4 6
" 26	324	125	609	1,058	11 8 -	4 5 6	21 19 6	37 13 -
	6,272	7,694	10,851	24,817	217 13 6	264 7 6	358 15 6	840 16 6

(Signed) G. MILLS, HENRY AIREY, R. DETHRIDGE,

Inspectors of Gas Meters.

(Signed) A. GUNN, Accountant.

(Signed) W. J. DIBDIN, Superintendent.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £90,802 18s. 9d., paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That the Fees specified in the Three summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to C inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Badger, C. J. ...	1	- 12 6	...	...	- 12 6
2	Carritt, E. ...	4	3 10 -	...	...	3 10 -
3	Fletcher, B. ...	5	7 5 -	...	...	7 5 -
4	Fowler, C. ...	1	1 15 -	1	- 10 -	2 5 -
5	Grose, V. J. ...	1	1 15 -	...	...	1 15 -
6	Hammon, H. J. ...	5	6 10 -	...	...	6 10 -
7	Jarvis, H. ...	1	1 - -	...	...	1 - -
8	Jennings, J. ...	2	1 5 -	2	- 15 -	2 - -
9	Kerr, R. ...	3	3 10 -	...	...	3 10 -
10	Lansdown, G. ...	13	12 7 6	...	...	12 7 6
11	Large, W. A. ...	1	1 5 -	...	...	1 5 -
12	Legg, G. ...	1	1 - -	...	...	1 - -
13	Legg, H. S. ...	3	3 7 6	...	...	3 7 6
14	McDonell, G. ...	5	3 15 -	...	...	3 15 -
	Carried forward ...	46	48 17 6	3	1 5 -	50 2 6

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Surveyor.		No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
forward	...	46	48 17 6	3	1 5 -	50 2 6
16	Matthews, J. D.	1	- 12 6	...	...	- 12 6
17	Meeson, F. R.	1	- 17 6	...	...	- 17 6
18	Notley, R. P.	1	- 12 6	...	...	- 12 6
19	Oliver, H.	7	8 5 -	...	...	8 5 -
20	Parsons, H.	7	6 12 -	...	...	6 12 -
21	Payne, A.	1	1 5 -	...	...	1 5 -
22	Peebles, A.	2	- 15 -	...	...	- 15 -
23	Plumbe, R.	1	1 5 -	2	1 - -	2 5 -
24	Porter, F. W.	1	- 15 -	2	- 15 -	1 10 -
25	Smith, T. R.	4	6 - -	1	1 2 6	7 2 6
26	Stenning, A. R.	3	5 5 -	...	...	5 5 -
27	Street, E.	2	2 15 -	...	...	2 15 -
28	Tabberer, B.	2	1 10 -	1	- 7 6	1 17 6
29	Tolley, J.	1	- 15 -	...	...	- 15 -
30	Wallen, F.	2	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
31	Woodthorpe, E.	2	2 15 -	...	...	2 15 -
		2	1 5 -	...	...	1 5 -
		86	92 12 -	9	4 10 -	97 2 -

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That the under-mentioned expenses, incident to shoring and hoarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
33,238	122, Walworth-road, St. Mary, Newington	13 6 8
33,788	9, Clerkenwell-road, Charterhouse	26 4 5
33,789	11, Do. do.	8 4 2
33,790	13, Do. do.	29 17 2
33,878	52, East-road, Shoreditch	4 12 9
33,945, } 34,127 & 8 }	1, 2 and 3, Field's-alley, Wandsworth	7 18 11
34,131	42, Bermondsey-lane, Newington	11 - 7
34,209	Ivy Bank, Haverstock-hill, Hampstead	- 11 3
		£ 101 15 11

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £262, in favour of the Vestry of Lambeth, being one-half of the cost as agreed to be contributed by the Board towards the Improvement effected at South Lambeth-road.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £1,150, in favour of the Vestry of Lambeth, being the amount of the Board's promised contribution towards the Improvement at China-walk.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £282, in favour of the Vestry of Lambeth, being one-half of the cost, as agreed to be contributed by the Board, towards the Improvement at Stangate.

A Cheque for the sum of £1,694 was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £1,191, in favour of the Wandsworth District Board, being the amount of this Board's promised contribution towards the cost of widening Battersea-park-road and Candahar-road, Battersea.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Fulham District Board, for permission to borrow, and also for the advance of a sum of £5,081, to defray the cost of certain Improvements, paving, and other works, be granted to the extent of £5,000, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3s. 10s. per centum, per annum payable quarterly, as to £1,830 on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st December, in each year, and as to the balance of the Loan on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, as to £1,830 for land for Improvement works, within a period of Fifty-five years, from 1st January, 1886, and on each 1st January as to £1,310 for the contribution towards cost of the Gliddon-road Bridge and expenses for the prevention of Floods within a period of Thirty years; and as to £1,860, for paving and other works, within a period of Ten years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures, for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents, and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Plumstead District Board, for an advance of a sum of £1,800, to defray the cost of raising and repairing the River banks at Charlton, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January within a period of Four years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Charlton Burial Board, for a Loan of £1,000 for works in laying out new ground, and £3,150 for paying off an old debt, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January as to £3,150, within a period of Twenty years from the 18th February, 1886, and as to £1,000, within a period of Thirty years; that the sum of £5 5s. be charged for Surveyors' Fees; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Fulham District Board, for permission to borrow, and also for the advance of a sum of £6,710, for defraying the cost of laying wood-paving in the Hammersmith-road, be granted to the extent of £6,700, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July and the 1st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January, within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That a formal request be

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the Vestry of Islington, requiring that the sum of £30,000 may be paid to account of the purchase of Highbury-fields.

by Mr. Harben, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the question whether the said Order of 18th December, 1885 (No. 6), referring to the Finance Committee “the whole management of the property which has been leased by the “Board,” was intended to include the reference to them of applications for structural alterations to buildings leased by the Board, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the undermentioned Cheques, which have been drawn longer than Three months, be now cancelled—

Streets (Act of 1883) Account.

No. 525.	1885.	October 26th.—	Mr. J. Martin	...	...	£10	0	0
„ 526.	„	„ „	Mr. J. S. Marsh	...	...	30	0	0

The said Cheques were thereupon cancelled accordingly.

11. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 25th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Glossep (Charing-cross)—(187)—</i>									
Young, Jones, Roberts and Hale—									
8560	Taxed costs of Arbitration	...	...	...	192	13	-		
<i>Re Baxter and Richmond (Charing-cross)—(188)—</i>									
Houlder, A. L.—									
8561	Costs of Title and Conveyance, and of application for appointment of Trustees	...	...	...	62	6	9		
<i>Re Green (Charing-cross)—(189)—</i>									
Phillips, H. M.—									
8562	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	...	15	4	4		
<i>Re Thompson's Executors, (Charing-cross)—(190)—</i>									
Cooke, W. C.—									
8563	Preliminary Costs	...	...	£3	3	-			
Lumley and Lumley—									
8564	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	3	8	8		6	11	8
<i>Re Basten (Southwark-bridge-road)—(191)—</i>									
Kempster, J.—									
8565	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	...	9	4	2		
								285	19 11
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>									
<i>Re Dunn (Walworth-road)—(192)—</i>									
Keene, Marsland and Bryden—									
746	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	...	12	12	-		
<i>Re Oldershaw (Upper-street, Islington)—(193)—</i>									
Oldershaw, H. A.—									
747	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	...	26	5	-		
Carried forward							£38	17	-
								285	19 11

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	38	17	-	285	19	11
<i>Re Deeks (Upper-street, Islington)—(194)—</i>								
	Deeks, Isaac—							
748	Compensation for tenancy in stable and coach-house							
	in Waterloo-terrace	...	25	-	-			
<i>Re Balls (Bermondsey)—(195)—</i>								
	Fairfoot, Webb and Rooke—							
749	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	25	-	-			
<i>Re Harding (Upper-street, Islington)—(196)—</i>								
	Price, S., and Son—							
750	Costs of Title and Conveyance, including costs of							
	Mortgagee	...	21	3	-			
<i>Re Reid (Tower-hill)—(197)—</i>								
	Champion, Robinson and Poole—							
751	Taxed costs of Jury proceedings	...	140	13	6			
						250	13	6
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re Hutchinson—(199)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 60, High-street,							
	and No. 6, Little Church-row—							
274	Hutchinson, Col. F. J. F.	... £3,565	-	-				
275	Wilson, Sir S. M. M., per Bell,							
	Stewards and May	...	35	-	-			
						3,600	-	-
	Driver and Co.—							
276	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	32	11	-			
	Phillips, J. and J.—							
277	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	...	18	-	-			
<i>Re Simon—(200)—</i>								
	Squire, E. B. and H.—							
278	Proportion of tenants' Rent of No. 1, Bradley's-							
	buildings, and Bradley-house, from Michael-							
	mas, 1885, to 25th January, 1886 (less Tax)		17	17	5			
						3,668	8	5
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>								
<i>Re Fisher (Putney)—(201)—</i>								
	Jennings, White and Milles—							
10	Costs of Title and Conveyance...	...	16	1	10			
<i>Re Holland (Battersea)—(202)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 30,							
	Bridge-road—							
11	Reliance Permanent Building Society	£343	12	-				
12	Holland, J. T., Jun.	...	426	8	-			
						770	-	-
	Holland, J. T., Jun.—							
13	Surveyor's Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	16	16	-			
						802	17	10
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Miller (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(203)—</i>								
	Sharpe, Parkers and Co.—							
5628	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	26	-	-			
	Carried forward	...	£26	-	-	5,007	19	8

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	26	-	-	5,007	19	8
<i>Re Winter (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(204)—</i>								
	Humphreys, C. and W.—							
5629	One-quarter's Rent of No. 32, Brook-street, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	...	8	9	2			
<i>Re Smallwood (Trafalgar-road)—(205)—</i>								
	The City Bank, Limited—							
5630	Purchase-money for Freehold interest in Nos. 1 to 7, Jubilee-place or Court	...	700	-	-			
<i>Re Dowsing (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(206)—</i>								
	Dowsing, Joseph—							
5631	Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in Nos. 8 to 17, Harris'-court, and Nos. 21 and 23, Bere-street, Limehouse	...	1,000	-	-			
<i>Re London Joint Stock Bank and Wilson (Tench-street) —(207)—</i>								
	London Joint Stock Bank, Limited—							
5632	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 118, 172, 174 and 175 on Plan	...	480	-	-			
<i>Re Goode (Tench-street)—(208)—</i>								
	Goode, Wm. Thos.—							
5633	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 4, 6 and 8, Salter's-alley, and piece of vacant ground adjoining	...	350	-	-			
<i>Re Robinson (Trafalgar-road)—(209)—</i>								
	Robinson, C. A.—							
5634	Purchase-money for Freehold interest in No. 11, Lower East-street, Greenwich	...	300	-	-			
<i>Re Read (Trafalgar-road)—(210)—</i>								
	Read, G.—							
5635	Purchase-money for yearly tenancy in No. 12, Lower East-street, Greenwich	...	70	-	-			
	Fuller and Fuller—							
5636	Costs of Arbitration	...	3	13	6			
<i>Re Capelli (Trafalgar-road)—(211)—</i>								
	Capelli, Carlo—							
5637	Purchase-money for yearly tenancy in No. 7, Trafalgar-road, Greenwich	...	50	-	-			
<i>Re Clement's Trustees (Trafalgar-road)—(212 and 213)—</i>								
	Bank of England, for Chancery—							
5638	Purchase-money for Freehold interest in Nos. 13 and 14, Lower East-street, and for interest in private Court and premises in Jubilee- place or Court	...	540	-	-			
	Russell, Son and Scott—							
5639	Costs of production of Deeds	...	2	2	-			
						3,530	4	8
	Carried forward	...				£8,538	4	4

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...			8,538	4	4
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>						
<i>Re</i> Bashall (Gray's-inn-road)—(214)—						
Bashall, Rev. W.—						
1517 One-quarter's Rent of No. 190, Gray's-inn-road, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	20	10	10			
<i>Re</i> Arden (Charing-cross)—(215)—						
Ebbs, Alfred—						
1518 One-quarter's Rent of No. 31, Castle-street, Leicester-square, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	15	14	2			
<i>Re</i> Ford (Southwark-bridge-road)—(216)—						
Coxwell, J. E.—						
1519 Balance of Rent to date of completion of pur- chase of Nos. 1 and 2, Queen-street ...	5	15	6			
<i>Re</i> Balls (Bermondsey)—(217)—						
Fairfoot, Webb and Rooke—						
1520 One-quarter's Rent in respect of Nos. 22, 23 and 30½, Star-corner, and Nos. 4, 5 and 8, Ber- mondsey-square, to Christmas, 1885, and Insurance, less Taxes, as agreed	20	16	9			
<i>Re</i> Dawson (Upper-street, Islington)—(218)—						
Dawson, O. E.—						
1521 One-quarter's Rent of Nos. 292 and 293, Upper- street, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax) ...	34	6	4			
<i>Re</i> Appleyard (Upper-street, Islington)—(219)—						
Appleyard, R. N.—						
1522 Half-year's Rent of Nos. 1 and 2, Paradise-row, and 339, Upper-street, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	48	6	8			
<i>Re</i> "The George" Public-house (Piccadilly)—(220)—						
Fleuret and Son—						
1523 Refund of amount paid in respect of Excise Licenses	30	5	3			
<i>Re</i> Collins (Walworth-road)—(198)—						
Collins, Jno.—						
1524 One-quarter's Rent of No. 32, Draper-street, and Nos. 90 and 96, Walworth-road, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)... ..	51	19	2			
				227	14	8
				£8,765	19	-

Your Committee submit for the information of the Board a marked Catalogue and Account of sale of building materials of houses in Moor-street, Crown-street, and New Compton-street, on 12th November, 1885, by Messrs Horne, Son and Eversfield—

Gross proceeds of sale	£144	6	-
Commission, £7 10s. per cent.	10	16	6
Amount received by Board, 15th January, 1886	£133	9	6

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from Mr. W. S. Page, referred to them on the 26th June last (No. 46), forwarding a statement of his scheme for the disposal of Sewage without fouling the River Thames. The proposal provides for one or more specially constructed Pontoon Steam Vessels for the purpose of taking either the sludge or the Sewage itself direct to sea. It is stated that this can be done "at once," but your Engineer and your Chemist report that there is nothing to show the system by which vessels and works of the necessary magnitude can be constructed within the time specified. Your Committee recommend—

That a Letter be addressed to Mr. Page, thanking him for his communication.

Your Committee have also had before them a Letter from Mr. W. R. W. Smith, with suggestions as to dealing with the Sewage of the Metropolis, and asking that a Deputation of the Board would visit Glasgow. Mr. Smith forwards a copy of a Report of a Deputation of the Town Council and Board of Police of Glasgow, upon the methods of disposing of Sewage, and a Report on the Clyde Navigation, and he suggests that the Board should visit Glasgow, and witness the barging of sludge to sea. He also urges the desirability of utilising the solid material for making up waste land and otherwise disposing of it for manurial purposes. Your Committee have given due consideration to Mr. Smith's communication, but as the Board have it in contemplation to make an experiment of conveying to sea the sludge at their own Outfalls, it does not appear necessary to avail themselves of the suggestion contained in the Letter. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Smith be thanked for his Letter.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter, referred to them on the 4th December last (No. 33) from Mr. F. Fuller, proposing conditions on which he would be willing to explain to the Board the details of his plan for utilising the Sewage of the Metropolis for agricultural purposes. Mr. Fuller contends that the residuum of the London Sewage is a valuable manure, and that a considerable profit can be made by the proper treatment of it. He also forwards a print of newspaper correspondence on the subject. Your Committee think that the Board cannot do more than thank Mr. Fuller for his communication, and they beg to recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the Letter from Mr. E. Monson, referred by the Board on the 11th December last (No. 40), enclosing a print of his schemes for the disposal of the Sewage North of the Thames. The pamphlet forwarded by Mr. Monson contains separate proposals for utilisation and precipitation of the Sewage; the first-named being by a division of the Metropolis into three separate Sewage Districts, the latter by treating the Sewage with lime at the present works. Mr. Monson proposes that the sludge should be utilised in the manufacture of bricks. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Monson be thanked for his communication.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from Mr. W. H. Sansom, referred to them on the 8th instant (No. 36), calling attention to his patent improved system of treating Sewage, sludge, &c., and stating that he is willing to grant Licenses to the Board to carry out his system or any part thereof. Mr. Sansom furnishes no information or details of the method to which he refers, and his Letter is without address. Your Committee are not, therefore, prepared to recommend any action with regard to it.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter, referred to them on the 8th instant (No. 40), from Mr. E. B. Walker, offering to submit conditionally the details of his scheme for converting settled sludge into dry cake or mould at the Outfall works. Mr. Walker asks a bonus if the Board adopt his mode of treating the sludge, of which, however, he does not forward any description. Your Committee recommend—

That he be thanked for his Letter.

Your Committee have had before them an application by Mr. H. Bond, for permission

to hang a ladder on the side wall of his house, No. 1, Albert Mansion, Victoria-street, abutting upon the site of the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer, and to have the use of a key to the door-way entrance to the site; also that the Board will let to him a part of the site for the erection thereon of a portable iron workshop. Having conferred with your Engineer, your Committee are of opinion that it is unadvisable to grant the application, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee submit, for the information of the Board, a list of claims settled in respect of properties taken under the Metropolitan Street Improvements Acts, 1877 and 1883, the Metropolitan Board of Works (Bridges, &c.) Acts, 1883 and 1884 and the Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Act, 1884, from the 1st October to the 31st December, 1885, inclusive.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
F. H. FOWLER,
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GEORGE PHILLIPS,
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GEO. HILL.

LIST OF CLAIMS SETTLED IN RESPECT OF PROPERTIES TAKEN UNDER THE METROPOLITAN STREET IMPROVEMENTS ACTS, 1877 AND 1883, THE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (BRIDGES, &c.) ACTS, 1883 AND 1884, AND THE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (VARIOUS POWERS) ACT, 1884, FROM THE 1ST OCTOBER TO THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1885 (INCLUSIVE), SUBMITTED WITH THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

No. on Plan.	Name of Claimant.	Locality.	Nature of Claim.	Amount claimed.	Amount agreed on.	By whom settled.
<i>Southwark-bridge-road to Great Dover-street Communication.</i>						
30	R. Elden	No. 10, Queen-street, "Grapes" Public-house	Leasehold & Business	£ s. d. 2,812 0 0	£ s. d. 2,200 0 0	Architect.
110 and part 114	H. Williams	No. 37, Mint-street and blacksmith's forge in Harrow-street	Yearly Tenancy and Business	522 0 0	225 0 0	Do.
Part of 130	J. Sherwood	Warehouse in Vine-yard in rear of No. 27, Mint-street	Yearly Tenancy and Trade	500 0 0	100 0 0	Do.
Part of 71	R. Wood	No. 74, Redcross-street	Leasehold & Trade...	370 15 7	200 0 0	Do.
3	J. J. Needham... ..	No. 123, Southwark-bridge-road	Yearly Tenancy and Trade	326 0 0	220 0 0	Do.
41	J. Foster	No. 11, Queen-street	Leasehold	697 10 0	470 0 0	Do. Jury Notice served.
2	Ecclesiastical, &c., Commissioners	No. 115, Southwark-bridge-road	Freehold	678 0 0	600 0 0	Architect.
52	A. J. Ford	Premises at corner of Mint-street and King-street	Yearly Tenancy	72 1 0	60 0 0	Do. Demand of possession served.
1 and 6	W. Angus	No. 117, Southwark-bridge-road and No. 22, Whitecross-street	Freehold	3,600 0 0	2,500 0 0	Architect. Jury Notice served.
85	Jacob Evans	No. 24, Mint-street	Freehold	3,250 0 0	1,825 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice sealed.
Part of 145	J. B. Williams	No. 9, Mint-street	Leasehold & Business	255 0 0	100 0 0	Do.
70 and 71	R. J. Taylor	Nos. 72 and 74, Red Cross-street	Do.	614 15 0	200 0 0	Do.
69	Joseph Basten	No. 70, Red Cross-street	Leasehold	1,706 9 3	800 0 0	Do.
<i>Jamaica-road and Union-road Improvement.</i>						
118 and 119	Tucker Brothers	Nos. 221 and 223, Jamaica-road	Leasehold & Business	3,215 0 0	2,025 0 0	Solicitor. Jury notice sealed.
<i>Piccadilly-circus to New Oxford-street Improvement.</i>						
Part of 93	H. Orford	Part of No. 40B, Rupert-street	Yearly Tenancy and Trade	954 0 0	650 0 0	Architect Police-court Summons issued.

No. on Plan.	Name of Claimant.	Locality.	Nature of Claim.	Amount claimed.	Amount agreed on.	By whom settled.
<i>Bermondsey Improvement.</i>						
Part of 17	U. L. K. Balls ...	No. 2, Grange-road ...	Leasehold & Business	£ 502 1 6	£ 150 0 0	Architect.
51	C. Parker ...	No. 2, Bermondsey-new-road...	Do.	2,350 10 0	725 0 0	Do.
5	M. Jones and Son ...	No. 8, Abbey-street ...	Do.	4,031 12 0	2,200 0 0	Do.
Part of 61	J. Wheeler ...	Ground adjoining No. 13, Bermondsey-new-road ...	Leasehold ...	20 0 0	20 0 0	Do.
51	W. H. Hope ...	No. 6, Bermondsey-new-road...	Leasehold & Trade...	3,883 13 0	1,835 0 0	Jury Notice served.
43, 44 and 45	J. M. Fiddes ...	No. 2, Bermondsey-square, known as the "Five Bells" Public-house; No. 3, Bermondsey-square; and a stable and yard in Pipes-alley	Leasehold & Business	2,800 0 0	2,000 0 0	Architect.
4	E. Burroughs ...	No. 6, Abbey-street ...	Do.	1,298 0 0	822 0 0	Solicitor.
46	John Simons ...	No. 1, Grange-road ...	Do.	1,027 0 0	576 0 0	Jury Notice served.
58	J. J. Carrington ...	Nos. 10 and 11, Bermondsey-new-road ...	Do.	1,082 0 0	850 0 0	Do.
23, 24 and 38	Henry White ...	No. 30½, Star-corner, and No. 8, Bermondsey-square ...	Do.	2,046 0 0	1,250 0 0	Do.
57	Owen Edwards ...	No. 7, Bermondsey-new-road...	Do.	1,074 0 0	670 0 0	Do.

Upper-street, Islington, Improvement.

60	Trustees of Finsbury and City of London Savings Bank ...	Premises in rear of Upper-street	Leasehold & Business	2,000 0 0	1,000 0 0	Architect.
61	G. Hicks ...	No. 293, Upper-street ...	Do.	1,068 0 0	600 0 0	Do.
23	C. W. Horton ...	No. 330, Upper-street ...	Do.	1,719 0 0	1,400 0 0	Do.
26	J. D. and E. Barnett ...	No. 327, Upper-street ...	Leasehold ...	400 0 0	350 0 0	Do.
40 and part of 41	R. A. Newbon ...	No. 313, Upper-street, and room at No. 312 ...	Leasehold and Trade	10,625 12 0	3,000 0 0	Do.
68	T. Wadden ...	No. 294, Upper-street ...	Do.	1,570 0 0	800 0 0	Do.
92	H. Burl ...	No. 278, Upper-street ...	Leasehold & Business	525 0 0	350 0 0	Do.
55	E. S. Miles ...	No. 304, Upper-street ...	Yearly Tenancy and Trade ...	600 0 0	450 0 0	Do.
80, 81 and 82	T. Flowers ...	No. 288, Upper-street, and premises in rear ...	Leasehold ...	1,146 15 0	1,075 0 0	Do.
25	R. J. Dent and another, Executors of the Will of Thos. Derry Jones	No. 328, Upper-street ...	Leasehold & Business	3,376 0 0	925 0 0	Solicitor.
72 and 73	Charles Lofts ...	Nos. 289 and 290, Upper-street	Do.	3,663 18 0	1,756 0 0	Jury Notice served.
59	M. H. and F. W. Baker	No. 302, Upper-street ...	Do.	2,915 0 0	1,500 0 0	Do.
80, 81 and 82	T. R. Ransom ...	No. 288, Upper-street, and premises in rear ...	Do.	1,977 0 0	650 0 0	Do.

Walworth-road Improvement.

2, 15, 16 and 19 to 26	London Tramways Co.	Arches under railway and premises in Hampton-street, &c.	Leasehold ...	4,500 0 0	4,500 0 0	Architect.
10	W. H. Barnes ...	No. 94, Walworth-road ...	Leasehold and Trade	2,883 18 7	950 0 0	Do.
4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 30	John Collins ...	No. 4, Hampton-street, Forecourt at the corner of Hampton-street, Nos. 90, 92, 94 and 96, Walworth-road, and No. 32, Draper-street ...	Freehold ...	9,391 5 0	8,525 0 0	Solicitor.
18	Frank Hewitt ...	No. 82, Walworth-road ...	Leasehold and Trade	1,901 5 0	700 0 0	Jury Notice served.

Little York-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement.

2	E. Everett ...	No. 24, Club-row ...	Yearly Tenancy and Business ...	100 0 0	80 0 0	Architect.
6	C. Reed ...	Workshop, yard and gateway in Little York-street ...	Yearly Tenancy ...	102 0 0	70 0 0	Do.

Green-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement.

22	G. Summers ...	No. 23, Green-street ...	Yearly Tenancy and Business ...	591 0 0	425 0 0	Architect.
40	R. Arnott ...	No. 39, Green-street ...	Leasehold ...	800 0 0	700 0 0	Do.
21	J. W. Burrows ...	No. 21, Green-street ...	Do.	250 0 0	205 0 0	Do.
45	T. J. Mackay ...	No. 49, Green-street ...	Leasehold & Business	963 0 0	550 0 0	Do.
39	E. Hughes ...	The "Atlas" Beer-house, No. 37, Green-street ...	Do.	535 0 0	400 0 0	Do.
20	J. H. Mellenfield and others ...	No. 1, Chester-street ...	Freehold ...	360 0 0	310 0 0	Solicitor.
Part of 19	Edwin Ward ...	Vacant land in Helen's-place ...	Do.	550 0 0	376 0 0	Jury Notice served.
42 and 43	A. W. Dennis ...	Nos. 43 and 45, Green-street ...	Leasehold & Trade...	2,340 0 0	1,660 0 0	Do.
27	Chas. Prince ...	No. 33, Green-street ...	Do.	1,492 0 0	780 0 0	Do.
51	Wm. Mercer ...	No. 53, Green-street ...	Do.	1,375 0 0	980 0 0	Do.

Hammersmith Improvement.

9, 10 and 11	St. Thomas' Seminary	Premises in King-street East	Freehold ...	2,750 0 0	2,750 0 0	Architect.
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Hammersmith Bridge.

8	J. and P. Cowan ...	Vacant land adjoining Hammersmith Bridge ...	Freehold (2 claims)	2,000 0 0	700 0 0	Architect.
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No. on Plan.	Name of Claimant.	Locality.	Nature of Claim.	Amount claimed.	Amount agreed on.	By whom settled.
<i>New Battersea Bridge.</i>						
44	Freehold and Leasehold Investment Co. ...	No. 40, Battersea-bridge-road	Leasehold ...	£ s. d. 770 0 0	£ s. d. 650 0 0	Architect.
49	A. Warren ...	No. 48, Battersea-bridge-road	Yearly tenancy and Business ...	410 0 0	270 0 0	Do.
30	E. Holland ...	No. 32, Bridge-road ...	Leasehold ...	1,200 0 0	900 0 0	Do.
29 and 30	Benjamin Hardy ...	Nos. 30 and 32, Bridge-road ...	Leasehold ...	400 0 0	250 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice served.
29	J. T. Holland ...	No. 30, Bridge-road ...	Leasehold & Business	1,200 0 0	770 0 0	Do.
<i>Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement.</i>						
Part of 137	F. E. Thompson ...	No. 36, Castle-street ...	Yearly Tenancy and Trade ...	1,004 0 0	300 0 0	Architect. Demand of possession served.
67 to 73	J. M. Nisbet ...	Nos. 33 and 35, Crown-street and Nos. 7 to 12, Denmark-place ...	Freehold ...	2,277 0 4	2,000 0 0	Architect.
6	W. G. Nixey and others	No. 22, Moor-street ...	Leasehold ...	178 5 3	50 0 0	Do. Jury Notice served.
152	W. F. and E. H. Simpson ...	No. 5, White Hart-court ...	Leasehold and Trade	1,665 0 0	1,200 0 0	Architect
17	J. T. Hawes and another	No. 15, Cranbourne-street ...	Leasehold & Business	3,466 0 0	1,500 0 0	Do. Jury Notice served.
Part of 152	J. S. Marshall ...	Top floor of warehouse, White Hart-court ...	Yearly Tenancy ...	78 0 0	70 0 0	Do.
Part of 145	P. R. de Fancheux l ^r Humy ...	Warehouse and premises in rear of No. 21, Litchfield-street ...	Leasehold and Trade	5,600 0 0	750 0 0	Verdict of Jury.
<i>Hampstead Improvement.</i>						
Part of 44 and 47	E. Harris ...	Coachhouse and stabling in rear of Nos. 56 and 59, High-street	Leasehold & Business	1,574 0 0	1,325 0 0	Architect
69	Executors of W. J. Parnell ...	No. 55, High-street ...	Leasehold ...	3,209 13 0	1,700 0 0	Do.
79	M. A. Hodges ...	No. 5, Bradley's-buildings ...	Freehold ...	750 0 0	550 0 0	Do.
79	C. King ...	No. 5, Bradley's-buildings ...	Yearly Tenancy and Business ...	81 0 0	50 0 0	Do.
131	G. Moy ...	No. 52, High-street ...	Do.	191 0 0	163 0 0	Do.
74 and 115 to 131	S. Stone ...	Nos. 51, 52, and 53, High-street, and workshops, cottages, &c., in rear ...	Pt. Copyhold and pt. Leasehold ...	3,000 0 0	2,200 0 0	Do.
81	M. E. and F. C. Brittain	No. 3, Bradley's-buildings ...	Copyhold ...	602 0 0	550 0 0	Do.
51	Chas. Richardson ...	No. 3, Bradley's-buildings ...	Leasehold ...	250 0 0	180 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice served.
<i>Tower-hill Improvement.</i>						
14	B. L. Whitehead ...	The "Nag's Head" Public-house	Leasehold & Business	8,151 0 0	6,500 0 0	Architect.
12 and 13	M. Neale ...	Nos. 2 and 3, Postern-row and No. 16, George-street ...	Do.	6,307 5 0	2,100 0 0	Do.
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>						
7 and 8	G. C. Liddle ...	Nos. 261 and 263, High-street...	Copyhold ...	1,724 0 0	1,600 0 0	Architect.
2	L. M. B. Jones ...	No. 251, High-street ...	Do.	664 12 0	600 0 0	Do.
1	J. Kirby... ...	No. 249, High-street ...	Leasehold & Business	633 0 0	550 0 0	Do.
2	A. Hitchins ...	No. 251, High-street ...	Do.	1,766 0 0	850 0 0	Do.
5	B. G. Blackmore ...	No. 265, High-street ...	Do.	1,151 0 0	906 0 0	Do.
6	C. J. Gilbert ...	No. 259, High-street ...	Do.	1,597 0 0	1,050 0 0	Do.
<i>Kentish-town-road and Great College-street Improvement.</i>						
10	Mrs. F. Townsend ...	No. 291, Great College-street ...	Yearly tenancy ...	100 0 0	100 0 0	Architect.
9	W. Constable ...	No. 293, Great College-street...	Leasehold and Trade	305 0 0	200 0 0	Do.
4	A. L. Rawles ...	No. 72, Kentish-town-road ...	Do.	662 0 0	275 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice served.
<i>South Lambeth Improvement.</i>						
22 to 29	R. S. Taylor ...	Nos. 138, 140, 142 and 144A, South Lambeth-road, and Nos. 1 and 2, Cottage-place and passage way ...	Copyhold ...	5,500 0 0	5,200 0 0	Architect.
50	George Woolliams ...	Garden ground at the corner of Wilcox-road and South Lambeth-road ...	Leasehold ...	100 0 0	40 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice served.
25	Josh. Leggett ...	No. 2, Cottage-place ...	Yearly Tenancy and Trade ...	128 0 0	72 0 0	Solicitor. Demand of possession served.
2	George Harrap ...	No. 178, South Lambeth-road...	Leasehold and Trade	852 0 0	500 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice served.
<i>New Putney Bridge.</i>						
104	F. F. and A. Bradley...	No. 9, The Terrace, Putney ...	Yearly Tenancy and Business ...	664 10 11	400 0 0	Architect.

The marked Catalogue and Account of sale of building materials of houses in Moor-street, Crown-street, and New Compton-street, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. W. S. Page, forwarding a statement of his Scheme for the disposal of Sewage without fouling the River Thames, be approved, and that a Letter be addressed to Mr. Page, thanking him for his communication.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the undermentioned gentlemen be thanked for their communications on the subject of dealing with the Sewage of the Metropolis—

Mr. W. R. W. Smith,
 „ F. Fuller,
 „ E. Monson,
 „ E. B. Walker.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. Bond, for permission to hang a ladder on the side wall of his house, No. 1, Albert-mansion, Victoria-street, abutting upon the site of the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer, and to have the use of a key to the door-way entrance to the site; and that the Board would let to him a part of the site for the erection thereon of a portable iron workshop, be not granted.

12. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 19th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.
2nd May, 1884.	Greenwich District Board, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in their District.
12th January, 1885.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in their Parish.
12th March, 1885.	St. Saviour's District Board, for re-numbering the houses in Collingwood-street, Blackfriars-road.
22nd November, 1885.	Lady Muir Mackenzie, that the houses in West Eaton place may be numbered in continuation of those in Eaton-place, and the name "West Eaton-place" abolished.
27th October, 1885.	Mr. E. N. Edmunds, that either Wellington-street or Wellington-road, Stoke Newington-road, may be re-named.

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the subsidiary names in Woodland-hill, Upper Norwood, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That George-street and Friendly-street, Deptford, be incorporated under the name "Friendly-street, S.E.," and the houses re-numbered.

That Nelson-street and Nile-street, Deptford, be incorporated under the name "Nile-street, S.E.," and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Seymour-street, St. John's-road, Deptford, be re-numbered.

That the houses in College-lane, Highgate-road, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That the houses and premises in Fortess-mews, Fortess-road, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Leeke-street, King's-cross-road, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That Little King-street North and South, Camden-town, be incorporated under the name "Little King-street, N.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Middlesex-street, Somers-town, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Collingwood-street, Blackfriars-road, be re-numbered.

That Lady Muir Mackenzie be informed, in reply to her request that the houses in West Eaton-place may be numbered in continuation of those in Eaton-place, and the name West Eaton-place abolished, that the Board deem it inexpedient to incorporate the two streets.

That Wellington-street, Stoke Newington-road, be re-named "Arcola-street, E.," and the houses re-numbered.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
W. R. SELWAY,
W. SHEPHERD,
W^m. DEBENHAM,
F. H. FOWLER.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Woodland-hill, in the Parish of Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,619, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 35, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 48, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Chatham-terrace, Hillside-terrace, Cyprus-villas, Portland-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Woodland-hill, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Woodland-hill, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of George-street and Friendly-street, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,620, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 125, being assigned to the houses on the North-Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 116, to those on the South-Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Lewisham High-road; that the names George-street, Clarendon-cottages, Hope-cottages, Willow-place, Friendly-place, and any other name or names now in use in George-street and Friendly-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Friendly-street, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works

for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Nile-street and Nelson-street, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,621, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 63, being assigned to the houses on the North-Eastern side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 68, to those on the South-Western side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Tanners-hill; that the name Nelson-street, and any other name or names now in use in Nile-street and Nelson-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Nile-street, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Seymour-street, St. John’s-road, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,622, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 53, being assigned to the houses on the South-Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 64, to those on the North-Western side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Mill-lane; that the name St. John’s-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Seymour-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Seymour-street, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of College-lane, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 23, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,623, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Meadow-cottages, Pleasant-cottages, Cambridge-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in College-lane, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “College-lane, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Fortess-mews, Fortess-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 36, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,624, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Leeke-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,625, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 17, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 10, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Leeke-street, W.C.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Little King-street South and Little King-street North, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,626, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 51, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 60, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Little King-street South, and Little King-street North, and any other name or names now in use in Little King-street South and Little King-street North, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole be called "Little King-street, N.W." and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Middlesex-street, in the

Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,627, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 39, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 24, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Middlesex-street, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Collingwood-street, in the Parish of Christchurch, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,628, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 45, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 80, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Collingwood-street, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the St. Saviour's District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and **resolved**—That Lady Muir Mackenzie be informed, in reply to her request that the houses in West Eaton-place may be numbered in continuation of those in Eaton-place, and the name "West Eaton-place" abolished, that the Board deem it inexpedient to incorporate the two streets.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 19th day of January, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Wellington-street, in the Parish of Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,629, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 73, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 50, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the name Wellington-street, and any other name or names now in use in Wellington-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Arcola-street, E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

13. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 26th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mrs. Eleanor Hozier for registration for the keeping of Six Infants at No. 69, Charlwood-street West, Pimlico. The premises are used as a Home for children and

Infants, and having regard to all the circumstances of the case, your Committee do not think that registration should be granted for more than Four Infants. They accordingly recommend—

That the application of Mrs. Eleanor Hozier for registration for the keeping of Infants at No. 69, Charlwood-street West, Pimlico, be granted ; and that the Board do make a Bye-law fixing Four as the number of Infants allowed to be kept at such premises.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration Two applications for renewal of registration. The conditions under which the Infants in the charge of the applicants are kept continue in each case satisfactory. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the applications of the following persons for renewal of registration, under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at the premises named, be granted, and that the Board do make a Bye-law in each case fixing the number of Infants allowed to be kept as follows—

Mrs. E. A. Baxter, No. 53, Marmont-road, High-street, Peckham ; 3 Infants.

Mrs. Elizabeth Neat, No. 38, Sainsbury-road, Gipsy-hill, Upper Norwood ; 2 Infants.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Messrs. Samuel Ward and Co. for the renewal of their License for the keeping of Petroleum at No. 32, Great Guildford-street, Southwark. The conditions of storage continue satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That a License be granted to Messrs. Samuel Ward and Co., for a period of twelve months from the 29th instant, to keep 1,000 gallons of Petroleum, at No. 32, Great Guildford-street, Southwark, in accordance with the terms of the draft License submitted.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mr. H. W. Langbeck, for a License to keep Petroleum at No. 12, Abbott-street, Dalston. The Petroleum is required for use in chemical experiments, and your Committee recommend—

That a License be granted to Mr. Hugo Waldemar Langbeck, for a period of 6 months from the 29th instant, to keep 25 gallons of Petroleum at No. 12, Abbott-street, Dalston, in accordance with the terms of the draft License submitted.

Your Committee also submit a list of 56 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and recommend—

That in 47 cases Licenses be granted to keep quantities not exceeding 10 gallons at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91 ; that in 2 cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum in stores situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90 ; and that in 7 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum in the manner described in such Licenses.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
BENJ^N. WEIR,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
W. J. WETENHALL,
F. M. WENBORN.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mrs. Eleanor Hozier be registered, under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 69, Charlwood-street West, Pimlico, and that the Board do hereby make a Bye-law, fixing 4 as the number of Infants allowed to be kept at such premises.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the registration of the following persons and premises, under the Infant Life Protection Act, be renewed, and

that the Board do make Bye-laws in each case fixing the number of Infants allowed to be kept on such premises, as follows—

Mrs. E. A. Baxter, No. 53, Marmont-road, High-street, Peckham ; 3 Infants.

Mrs. Elizabeth Neat, No. 38, Sainsbury-road, Gipsy-hill, Upper Norwood ;
2 Infants.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That a License be granted to Messrs. Samuel Ward and Co., for a period of twelve months from this date, to keep 1,000 gallons of Petroleum at No. 32, Great Guildford-street, Southwark, in accordance with the terms of the draft License now submitted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That a License be granted to Mr. Hugo Waldemar Langbeck, for a period of Six months from this date, to keep 25 gallons of Petroleum at No. 12, Abbott-street, Dalston, in accordance with the terms of the draft License now submitted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the Fifty-six persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

14. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 27th January, 1886.

On the 30th January, 1885, the Board decided for the public convenience to make an exchange of land with the Conservators of the River Lee at South-mill-Field, Hackney. Your Committee have now to submit a Plan showing in Red and Green colour respectively the portions of land proposed to be exchanged, the Green colour denoting that to be given up by the Lee Conservancy, and they recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to at once give effect to the Resolution of the Board of the above-mentioned date.

Your Committee, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd December, 1885, (No. 25), have prepared draft Bye-laws, for the regulation of Highbury-fields. The Bye-laws are similar to those now in force on the Board's other Open Spaces, and have been framed with special regard to the Clause in the Act of 1885, which prohibits the playing of music, or the holding of public meetings on Highbury-fields. Your Committee beg to submit the draft Bye-laws herewith, and they recommend—

That they be approved, and that all necessary steps be taken for obtaining their confirmation in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

Your Committee have, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd December last, (No. 25), considered what steps are necessary to be taken for improving Highbury-fields. They are not at present prepared to report on the whole subject, but, in the meantime, in order not to miss the planting season, they have prepared a Plan showing what trees should, in their opinion, be placed on the Fields, and they beg to recommend—

That an expenditure of £108 be sanctioned for the work, and that it be referred back to them to invite Tenders and to carry out the work by Contract.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the condition of a path on Clapham-common, near Nightingale-lane, which is shown by Yellow colour on a Plan which they submit herewith. Your Committee beg to recommend—

That the path referred to be re-gravelled at an estimated cost of £30.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd December last, (No. 25), your Committee have considered what Officers are required to take charge of Highbury-fields; and, having now had experience on the subject, they have decided that two men will be sufficient. They have therefore selected as Senior keeper and Assistant two men who are, in their opinion, suitable for the positions, and they beg to recommend as follows—

That Thomas Wren, who has been for the past eight years in the service of the Board, be appointed Senior Keeper at the wages of 30s. per week, and that George Lewis, formerly a sergeant in the 2nd battalion of the Yorkshire Regiment, be appointed Assistant Keeper at the wages of 25s. per week, both men receiving the usual allowance of clothing, which consists of a tunic, helmet or cap, three pairs of trousers, three pairs of gloves, an overcoat, one pair of leggings, and two pairs of boots annually, and a cape and belt when required.

The removal of Wren from the Upper-common at Streatham, to take charge of Highbury-fields, will cause a vacancy at the former place, and, to fill it, your Committee recommend—

That Alexander Ferguson, late a corporal in the 2nd Life Guards, be appointed at the wages of 25s. per week, with the usual allowance of uniform, as mentioned in the case of Wren and Lewis.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the state of health of Henry Smith, who has been for the past 15 years Senior Heath Keeper at Blackheath. Smith, who is 70 years of age, has been laid up for some weeks past with bronchitis, and, although the medical officer who has examined him is of opinion that, with care, he may be able to perform his duties as a Common Keeper for a few more years, your Committee do not consider that, having regard to his present state, he is competent to continue in charge of Blackheath, which, as the Board are aware, is the largest Open Space under their control, being 267 acres in extent. Your Committee, however, do not consider that the Board would desire to dispense with Smith's services so long as he is able to perform a suitable amount of duty; and they therefore recommend—

That he be transferred to Brook-green.

The removal of Smith from Blackheath will cause a vacancy as Senior Keeper at that place; and, as the Assistant Keeper is a man too old to take the post with advantage to the Board, your Committee beg to recommend—

That Francis Hughes, who has been 7 years in the Board's service as Common Keeper at the Mill-fields, Hackney, and who is an experienced and vigorous man, be appointed to the post at the wages fixed by the Board, viz., 30s. per week, with the usual allowance of uniform.

In order to carry out the foregoing recommendation as regards Smith, your Committee have further to recommend—

That Charles Bone, the Keeper at present in charge of Brook-green, be transferred to take charge of Mill-fields, Hackney, at the same rate of wages as he is now receiving, viz., 25s. per week, and with the usual allowance of uniform.

Your Committee have had before them applications from the various persons who hold Licenses for the drying of clothes or the letting of animals, &c., on hire, on the Open Spaces under the control of the Board, asking for a renewal of the same for another year. Your Committee recommend—

That Licenses for one year from the 4th February, 1886, on the same conditions as last year, be sealed and be issued to the several applicants.

It having been reported to your Committee that several of the Scotch firs on Hampstead-heath, near the Spaniards, are dead, and dangerous to the public, they have instructed the proper Officer to remove such of the trees as he is satisfied are dead and in a dangerous condition. Your Committee, knowing the interest taken in the trees referred to by residents at Hampstead, artists and others, as forming one of the most picturesque features of the Heath, think it right to report what they have done, and at the same time to state that they have given instructions that as little as possible be done to alter or otherwise interfere with the natural aspect and state of the Heath, or

the timber or other trees, &c., thereon, in accordance with the provisions of the Hampstead-heath Act.

Under the authority conferred on them by the Board on the 13th June, 1873, (No. 13), your Committee have authorised the purchase of a number of tools and like articles, for use in Finsbury and Southwark Parks, and also at Hampstead-heath, the Chelsea Embankment Gardens, and Blackheath; and they have directed that the roofs of the pay office in Finsbury-park and the lodge at Wormwood-scrubs be repaired, and that two gullies be fixed at Stoke Newington-common and the surface of South-mill-field, where damaged by the bursting of a water pipe, reinstated.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. E. BRADFIELD,
WM. SHEPHERD,
GEO. EDWARDS,
GEO. HILL,
G. P. MEADEN.

The Plans and Bye-laws submitted with the Report were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Plan of the ground proposed to be exchanged between the Board and the Conservators of the River Lee, at South-mill-field, Hackney, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 30th January, 1885 (No. 8), be approved; and that the Solicitor be instructed to forthwith give effect to such Resolution.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following Bye-law, for the regulation and management of Highbury-fields, be approved—

7. The acts and things specified in the following Clauses, numbered 1 to 23 respectively, of this Bye-law are hereby prohibited, and are declared to be offences pursuant to the Statutes above-mentioned, and throughout these Clauses and the Bye-laws the word “Board” shall mean the Metropolitan Board of Works, and the words “the Fields” shall mean Highbury-fields.

1.—Removing or injuring any of the fountains, statues, monuments, busts, railings, fences, seats, barriers, gates, lamp-posts, notice-boards, watch-boxes, buildings, or other matters or things on the Fields, or defacing or disfiguring the same by posting any bill, placard, or notice, or by writing, stamping, cutting, printing, drawing, or marking in any manner.

2.—Cutting, digging up, felling, burning, plucking, breaking, climbing up or upon, or doing damage or injury to the timber or to any of the trees, shrubs, brushwood, fencing, posts, poles, plants, flowers, grass, gorse, furze, fern, or turf on the Fields, or going within any temporary inclosure formed for the purpose of reviving the turf.

3.—Committing any encroachment on, or making any inclosure of, any part of the Fields.

4.—Erecting or placing on the Fields (unless with the consent of the Board in writing, under the hand of their Clerk) any post, rail, fence, photographic apparatus, pole, tent, booth, stand, or any building, erection, or obstruction of any kind whatsoever.

5.—Using any portion of the Fields for shaking or beating any carpet, mat, or other thing, or as a drying or bleaching ground, by placing clothes or other things on any of the trees or bushes, or on the turf, grass, or ground, or in any way so as to overhang the Fields, or by putting up any pole or line or other support for clothes or other articles, or for shaking, beating, or brushing carpets, mats, or other things.

6.—Committing any nuisance on the Fields, or against any of the trees, shrubs, walls, railings, or fences thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, and seconded—That Clause No. 7 of Bye-law No. 1 be approved, as follows—

7.—Depositing or leaving on the Fields, or in any pond thereon, any road-sand, timber, bricks, stone, refuse, rubbish, paper, manure, snow, dead animals, or other matters or things, or removing ice from such pond, or fishing with net or rod therein, or in other way interfering with the fish or waterfowl; or bathing or washing any dog or other animal.

The motion having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Clauses Nos. 8, 9 and 10, of Bye-law No. 1, be approved, as follows—

8.—Going, or attempting to go, on any such pond when it is frozen, for the purpose of walking, sliding, skating, or otherwise, after notice by the Board's Officers or the Police (such notice to be placed on a board, to be affixed in a prominent place) that the ice is dangerous.

9.—Taking, digging, cutting, damaging, or removing any grass, [gravel, sand, sods, bog-earth, clay, turf, or other] substance of or from the Fields, without right or without the consent of the Board, under the hand of their Clerk.

10.—Burning or doing any act which might cause any timber, wood, brush-wood, gorse, furze, fern, earth, paper, rubbish, or other substance to be burned on the Fields, or sorting rags or matter of like nature, or mending any chair or other article, or causing a litter on the Fields.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, and seconded—That Clause No. 11, of Bye-law No. 1, be approved, as follows—

11.—Plying for hire with, or letting out, any horse, pony, mule, ass, goat, or other animal on the Fields, or using as a standing-place for any horse, pony, mule, ass, goat, or other animal, or for any carriage, or goat-chaise, any portion of the Fields.

The motion having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following further Clauses and Bye-laws be approved.

12.—Turning out to graze or feed, or allowing or suffering to stray, be, or remain on the Fields without right, or without the consent of the Board in writing, any cattle, sheep, swine, horse, ass, mule, goose, duck, fowl, or other animal.

13.—Unlawfully constructing or laying any sewer, drain-pipe, or waterway, or other matter of like nature, on, into, or under any part of the Fields.

14.—Making or forming any new road or path over or across the Fields, without the consent of the Board in writing, under the hand of their Clerk.

15.—Bird-catching, bird-trapping, or laying or placing any net or trap for the taking of birds, taking birds' eggs or nests, or shooting, or chasing, or attempting to shoot or chase any bird, game, or animal, or throwing any stone or stick, or other missile, with intent to injure or catch any bird, game, or animal on the Fields.

16.—Firing any gun or pistol, loitering with any firearm, discharging any fireworks, or throwing any stone or stick or other missile, or playing any musical instrument, or doing anything which may endanger the public or be deemed a

nuisance, obstruction, or annoyance to the public; or gambling, playing at any game of chance, betting, or playing with cards or dice on the Fields.

17.—Brawling, fighting, quarrelling, cursing, swearing, or using indecent or improper language, or holding or taking part in any running, wrestling, or walking match, sleeping on any of the seats, or sleeping, sitting, or resting thereon, or on the Fields, in an indecent posture, or being disorderly upon the Fields or wilfully or designedly doing any act which outrages public decency, or which comes within the meaning of the 4th Section of the Vagrant Act, 5 George IV., cap. 83, whether the offence shall have been or be committed with intent to insult any female or not.

18.—Bathing or washing, or washing clothes, in any pond or water, or in any trough, or other thing, on the Fields.

19.—Drawing, driving, standing, or placing any gun or gun-carriage, limber, or waggon, cart, carriage, van, velocipede, bicycle, tricycle, truck, wheelbarrow, or vehicle on or across the ground or turf, on or over any footpath, or in any shrubbery on the Fields.

20.—Riding any horse, ass, mule, or other animal on, over, or across the turf or any footpath, or on any part of the Fields.

21.—Playing, or making preparation to play, at cricket, football, golf, or any other game, on the Fields, or exercising as volunteers, except with the consent of the Board, under the hand of their Clerk.

22.—Interfering with, obstructing, or annoying any person or persons who are playing, or have made preparation for playing, at cricket, football, golf, or other lawful game, on the Fields, with the consent of the Board, under the hand of their Clerk.

23.—Delivering, uttering or reading any public speech, lecture, prayer, scripture, sermon, or address of any kind or description whatever, or singing any sacred or secular song, or entering into any public discussion maintaining the right to deliver, utter or read any public speech, lecture, prayer, scripture, sermon, or discourse.

2. The Board's officers are authorised to arrest without warrant any person found committing an offence against the following Acts—

The Vagrant Act, 5 Geo. IV., cap. 83.

The Malicious Injury to Property Act, 24 and 25 Vic., cap. 97.

The Larceny Act, 24 and 25 Vic., cap. 96, other than the offence excepted in the 103rd Section of that Act.

3. The Board's officers are authorised to remove or apprehend, without warrant, any gambler, card-sharper, gipsy, fortune-teller, squatter, vagrant, seller of any infamous book or print, or any person guilty of shooting, brawling, fighting, boxing, or quarrelling, or using indecent or improper language, or any idle or disorderly person, or any person erecting any booth or place of any kind on the Fields, so that he may be dealt with according to law.

4. Any person committing any of the offences mentioned in these Bye-laws shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings, and for every continuing offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty shillings for each day on which such offence shall continue, after written notice of the offence shall have been given.

5. If any person assaults or resists, or aids or incites any person to assault or resist, any officer of the Board, or other person, in the execution of his duty, or the lawful exercise of any authority under these Acts, or any Bye-law thereunder, he shall, for every such offence, be liable, on conviction, to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

6. All persons found disturbing the public peace, and also all persons committing any offence against the Act of Parliament, passed in the Session of Parliament held in the 2nd and 3rd years of the reign of Her present Majesty, Chapter 47, intituled "An Act for further improving the Police in and near the Metropolis," are liable to immediate apprehension, without warrant, so that they may be dealt with according to law.

7. Nothing in these Bye-laws shall take away, abridge, or limit any remedy now existing by way of indictment, or shall interfere with the powers of the Metropolitan Police, or any authority legally existing, for preventing or punishing offences, or with the powers of the Board as having the control over the Fields.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Clerk be authorised to take all necessary steps, as required by the Metropolitan Board of Works Act, 1877, and the Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Act, 1885, with a view to obtaining the sanction of the Home Secretary to the foregoing Bye-laws.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That trees be planted on Highbury-fields, as shown on the Plan now submitted, at an estimated cost of £108, and that it be referred back to the Committee to invite tenders and carry out the work by Contract.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That a path on Clapham-common, near Nightingale-lane, as shown on the Plan now submitted, be re-gravelled, at an estimated cost of £30.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Thomas Wren, who is now stationed at the Upper Common at Streatham, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Senior Keeper at Highbury-fields, at the wages fixed by the Board, viz., 30s. per week, with the annual allowance of uniform, as stated in the Report.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That George Lewis be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Assistant Keeper at Highbury-fields, at the wages fixed by the Board, viz., 25s. per week, with the annual allowance of uniform as stated in the Report.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Alexander Ferguson be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Keeper of the Upper Common at Streatham, in place of Wren, at the wages fixed by the Board, viz., 25s. per week, with the annual allowance of uniform, as stated in the Report.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That in consequence of failing health, Henry Smith, who has been for the past 15 years Senior Heath-keeper at Blackheath, be transferred to Brook-green, at the same rate of wages as he is now receiving, viz., 30s. per week, with the annual allowance of uniform.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Francis Hughes, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Senior Heath-keeper at Blackheath, at the wages fixed by the Board, viz., 30s. per week, with the annual allowance of uniform.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Charles Bone, be transferred to take charge of the Mill-fields, Hackney, during the pleasure of the Board, in place of Hughes, at the same rate of wages as he is now receiving, viz. 25s. per week, with the annual allowance of uniform.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted for a period of One year, from the 4th February next, to the several persons mentioned in the list submitted by the Committee, to dry clothes on Blackheath, subject to revocation of the Licenses at any time, at the pleasure of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted for a period of One year, from the 4th February next, to the several persons mentioned in the list submitted by the Committee, to dry clothes on Hampstead-heath, subject to revocation of the Licenses at any time, at the pleasure of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses for One year from the 4th February next, but revocable at any time during the pleasure of the Board, be granted to the persons mentioned in the list submitted by the Committee, to let animals and vehicles on hire, on week days only, on Blackheath.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses for One year from the 4th February next, but revocable at any time during the pleasure of the Board, be granted to the persons mentioned in the list submitted by the Committee, to let animals and vehicles on hire, on week days only, on Clapham-common.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses for One year from the 4th February next, but revocable at any time during the pleasure of the Board, be granted to the persons mentioned in the list submitted by the Committee, to let animals and vehicles on hire, on week days only, on Hampstead-heath.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses for One year from the 4th February next, but revocable at any time during the pleasure of the Board, be granted to the persons mentioned in the list submitted by the Committee, to let animals and vehicles on hire, on week days only, on Peckham-rye-common.

The Clerk laid before the Board the several Licenses prepared in accordance with the foregoing Resolutions.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said several Licenses ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in their Report, be approved.

15. Mr. Shepherd, the Chairman of the Bridges Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BRIDGES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 27th January, 1886.

Your Committee, under the general reference by the Board of the 4th November last (No. 13), have had before them Contract Drawings prepared by your Engineer for the work of constructing the new Bridge, with approaches, over the Thames at Battersea. Your Committee having carefully examined the Drawings, beg to submit the same with this Report, and to recommend—

That the Drawings be approved and lithographed, and that copies and prints thereof and of the specification be prepared for the purpose of obtaining Tenders for the execution of the works.

Your Committee further recommend—

That an Advertisement be issued inviting Tenders for the execution of the works, the Tenders to be opened at the meeting of the Board on the 26th March next.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered as to whether the cost of the works ordered by the Board on the 18th December last (No. 3), for strengthening the Albert Bridge, should be charged to Capital or Working Account. Your Engineer has stated to your Committee that the necessity for strengthening the Bridge was urged before the Arbitrator as a reason for reducing the cost of purchase by the Board, and that this fact did, no doubt, reduce the amount awarded by him. Under these circumstances your Committee are of opinion that the cost of the works about to be carried out by the Board should be considered as part of the purchase of a sound Bridge, and should be charged to Capital Account. They beg to recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 8th instant (No. 39), from the Wandsworth District Board, on the subject of a proposed embankment of the towing path at Putney. The Letter is a continuation of correspondence which passed between the Thames Floods Committee and the District Board, and which commenced by a suggestion on the part of the District Board that the towing path

should be embanked and a public road formed as shown on a Plan accompanying their Letter. The Plan in question showed an embankment wall on the River side of the tow path, carried out far enough to widen the path to 45 feet, to be converted into a carriage-way of 33 feet and a foot-way next the River of 12 feet, slipways being left at intervals to allow boats to be lowered into the River from the various boat-houses. In submitting this proposal the enquiry was at the same time made by the District Board, whether, if their Plan were carried out all the requirements of this Board under the provisions of the Thames Floods Prevention Act would be deemed to be complied with. In answer, the Thames Floods Committee, after conference with your Engineer and your Solicitor, directed the Clerk to write to the District Board, and ask if they would be prepared to raise the embankment from the level proposed by them—viz., 16'32 feet above Ordnance datum—to the Board's standard of 18 feet, a difference of 1 foot 8 inches, and to pay any compensations which might become payable. The reply of the District Board is dated 26th May, 1885, and is submitted herewith for the information of the Board. In it the District Board explain, with regard to the additional height of the River wall, that they had been in communication with the owners of all the boat-houses and other adjacent property abutting on the tow-path, and have ascertained that they were willing to agree to the formation of the embankment to the height proposed—viz., 16'32 feet above Ordnance datum—and to give an undertaking not to claim compensation either on account of the construction of the River wall, or in respect of any flooding which might occur after the wall was raised to that height. If, however, the embankment were raised above 16'32, it would, the Letter states, altogether prevent the use of the boat-houses for their present purposes, and heavy claims for compensation would result. The District Board further point out that the height of 18 feet is only reached by very unusual floods, and that an embankment of the proposed height would keep out all ordinary spring tides. Should, however, the unusual height of 18 feet above Ordnance datum be reached, they state that no real damage would be caused to the boat-houses by their being temporarily flooded, and no dwelling house would be affected, as the ground at the rear of the boat-houses is of the required height, and the low lying piece of land at the Western end of the proposed embankment would be raised to the same level. In reply to an enquiry in this Board's Letter as to the authority of the District Board to carry out the proposed improvement the District Board state that they have been in communication with the Thames Conservancy, who are willing to co-operate, and to contribute £800 towards the expense. The Letter proceeds to make application to this Board, under Section 72 of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1862, for consent to the work, and for a contribution to its cost. The total estimate is £3,500, of which the Thames Conservancy, as above stated, will contribute £800, and this Board are asked to contribute one-half of the balance, viz., £1,350. The District Board further state that, while, under the circumstances above mentioned, they feel that they cannot amend their proposition by raising the level of the proposed embankment to 18 feet above Ordnance datum, they will undertake to pay any compensation to which owners or occupiers of property abutting on the proposed embankment may establish a legal claim, and to indemnify this Board against liability in respect thereof. Further correspondence ensued upon the Letter, with which it is not necessary to trouble the Board, and certain suggestions were made to the District Board to which the Letter which forms the subject of the present reference is the reply. The proposal of the District Board, as it now stands, is to make the tow-path as before, 14'30 on the river edge and 16'32 above Ordnance datum on the land side, but immediately behind, or on the land side of the tow-path, to form a bank up to 18 feet, the Board's standard level. That arrangement your Engineer states will protect the back land, and as the proprietors of the boat-houses, which occupy a large proportion of the frontage, object to any other arrangement, and probably would claim compensation if it were insisted upon, and as the widening of the tow-path, which is a very desirable improvement, might otherwise be jeopardised, he suggests that the proposal of the District Board should be acceded to. Should the ground at any future time

be occupied in a different manner, this Board would still be empowered to order any other flood-works which might be rendered necessary by such alteration. Although the tide will very rarely rise above the bank of the tow-path, the level of which is 16'32, it will not unfrequently, probably 50 times a year, rise over its river edge, the limit of which is to be 14'30, and so partially flood the tow-path, and your Engineer points out that the width of tow-path opposite some of the boathouses measures only 27 feet on the Plan, but is shown on large scale sections to be 33 feet at such places exclusive of footpath, and that the larger dimensions should be adhered to. It will also be necessary that the proposed bank should be continued up the Beverley-brook wherever the land is below the level of 18 feet above Ordnance datum. In addition to the above the District Board request the sanction of this Board to the widening of the approach to the tow path at the Windsor-street end, and to be allowed to set back the fence wall to the enclosure so far as it is the property of this Board. Your Committee have very carefully considered the matter, and, concurring in the opinion of your Engineer that the proposals of the District Board should be acceded to, they beg to submit the following recommendation—

That, subject to any future works under the Thames Floods Prevention Act which altered circumstances may render it necessary for the Board to order, the approval of the Board be given to the proposals of the District Board.

Your Committee further recommend—

That the Letter from the District Board in which application is made under Section 72 of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1862, for a contribution towards the cost of the Improvement be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

WM. SHEPHERD,
W. R. SELWAY,
GEO. EDWARDS,
G. P. MEADEN,
F. H. FOWLER.

The Contract Drawings and Letter submitted with the Report were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the Contract Drawings for the construction of the new Bridge over the Thames at Battersea be approved and lithographed, and that copies and prints thereof, and of the Specification, be prepared for the purpose of obtaining Tenders for the execution of the works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That an Advertisement be issued inviting Tenders for the execution of the above-mentioned works, the Tenders to be opened at the Meeting of the Board on the 26th March next.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the cost of the works to the Albert Bridge, which were ordered by the Board on the 18th December last to be executed, be charged to Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Meaden, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, with reference to an embankment of the towing-path above Putney Bridge, be approved; and that, subject to any future works under the Thames Floods Prevention Act, which altered circumstances may render it necessary for this Board to order, the sanction of this Board be given to the proposal of the District Board, and to the alteration in the boundary wall between Windsor-street and the tow-path; and that the Letter from the District Board now submitted, in which application is made under Section 72 of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1862, for a contribution towards the cost of

the Improvement, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

16. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 27th January, 1886.

Your Committee have to report, in continuation of the Report made at the last meeting of the Board, that they have considered various other Bills deposited for introduction into Parliament, together with the Engineer's and the Architect's Reports thereon, referred by the Board at the last meeting; and they now recommend—

That Petitions be presented against the following Bills—

Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1877, Amendment Bill.
Greenwich and Millwall Subway Bill.
Bexley-heath Railway Bill.
East and West India Docks Bill.

There are other Bills, with respect to which your Committee are of opinion that it is either not necessary, or not expedient, that the Board should present Petitions; though with regard to one of them, the Bill of the Kensington Vestry, by which power is asked to acquire land on which to dispose of the Parish refuse, your Committee are not satisfied that the power sought to be exercised would not injuriously affect some of the interests of the inhabitants of that part of London in which the land is situated. Your Committee recommend—

That Petitions be not presented against the following Bills—

Kensington Vestry Bill.
Parliament-hill and Hampstead-heath Extension Bill.
Wimbledon and West Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill.
Highgate and Kilburn Open Spaces Bill.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W. R. SELWAY,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
GEO. EDWARDS,
F. H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Fowler, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented against the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1877, Amendment Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Fowler—That a Petition be presented against the Greenwich and Millwall Subway Bill.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Lenanton—That the question be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it, 4; against it, 25; and it was lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented against the Bexley-heath Railway Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That a Petition be presented against the East and West India Docks Bill.

The motion having been put to the vote, there were for it, 24; against it, 1; and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Fowler—That no Petition be presented against the Kensington Vestry Bill.

The motion having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That no Petition be presented against the Parliament-hill and Hampstead-heath Extension Bill.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That no Petition be presented against the Wimbledon and West Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That no Petition be presented against the Highgate and Kilburn Open Spaces Bill.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 29th January, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of Paddington, asking the Board to provide, fix, and maintain, at their own expense, flaps on the outlets of the Chilworth-street and Cleveland-square local Sewers into the Main Ranelagh Sewer at Gloucester-terrace, for the purpose of preventing floodings, and also to construct side-entrances to the Ranelagh Sewer near those flaps, so as to afford ready means of access to the latter; stating that the local Sewers to the East and West of Gloucester-terrace, more particularly those in Chilworth-street, Cleveland-terrace and square, and Bishop's-road, got overcharged with water from the Ranelagh Sewer each time that a heavy fall of rain occurred; that the Vestry, through their Surveyor, suggested that the Ranelagh Main Sewer should be lowered about seven feet, for a length of about 600 feet, but that the work would be a very tedious and expensive one, probably costing not less than £6,000; that the cheapest means of preventing the flooding would be to fix self-acting flaps in the Ranelagh Sewer, at a cost of about £250, and, with a view to give better access to the Main Sewer for the purpose of keeping it and the flaps clean and in good working order, to construct two long side entrances, at a further cost of about £240, and recommending that the Board should sanction the execution of those works, and that they should be forthwith carried out by the General Contractors.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account of the Board.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 29th January, 1886, recommending the execution of the following work, under the general Contract—

ESTIMATE.

Constructing a self-acting gauge in the Southern Outfall Sewer,	
on the premises of the Deptford Pumping Station ...	£35 0 0

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the work be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

19. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been introduced into the House of Commons on Friday last by Mr. Tatton Egerton, Sir James McGarel-Hogg, and Mr. Rider Cook, and read a first time, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 17th February next, and he presented a copy of the Bill.
20. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Water Supply, &c.) Bill had been introduced into the House of Commons on Friday last by Sir James McGarel-Hogg, Mr. Bryce, Sir George Russell, and Col. Hughes, and read a first time, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 24th February next, and he presented a copy of the Bill.
21. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill had been introduced into the House of Commons on Friday last by Mr. Rider Cook and Sir James McGarel-Hogg, and read a first time, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 17th March next, and he presented a copy of the Bill.
22. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Keeping of Firewood) Bill had been

introduced into the House of Commons on Friday last by Sir James McGarel-Hogg and Mr. Morgan Howard, and read a first time, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 9th June next, and he presented a copy of the Bill.

- 23.** The Solicitor reported that Mr. Plunket had given notice for the introduction of the Hyde-park-corner (New Streets) Bill to provide for the maintenance of the new streets at Hyde-park-corner.
- 24.** The Solicitor reported that the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill, which provided for the better regulation of Theatres and Music-halls in the Metropolis had been introduced by Mr. Dixon Hartland and Mr. McFarlane on Friday last, and read a first time, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 3rd February next, and he presented a copy of the Bill.
- 25.** The Solicitor reported that the Sanitation of Houses Bill, which provided for the better sanitation of houses in the Metropolis, had been introduced by Mr. Dixon Hartland and Sir Edmund Lechmere on Friday last, and read a first time., and that the second reading had been appointed for the 19th May next.
- 26.** The Solicitor reported that the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill, which was to amend the Employers' Liability Act, 1880, had been introduced by Mr. Arthur O'Connor, Dr. Commins, Mr. Sexton and Mr. Jesse Collings on Friday last, and read a first time, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 17th February next,
- 27.** The Solicitor reported that the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill, which was another Bill for amending the Employers' Liability Act of 1880, had been introduced by Mr. Burt, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Joicey, Mr. Haldane and Mr. Lockwood, on Friday last, and read a first time, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 10th March next, and he presented a copy of the Bill.
- 28.** The Solicitor reported that the Land Purchase Facilities Bill, for amending the law relating to the compensation of owners of land acquired for undertakings of public utility, had been introduced by Mr. McLaren, Mr. Joseph Bolton, Mr. Houldsworth and Mr. Jesse Collings, and read a first time on Friday last, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 7th July next.
- 29.** The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Contract with Sir C. Tennant, Bart, M.P., W. Tennant, J. D. Taylor, E. P. Tennant, and W. A. Tennant (trading as "C. Tennant, Sons and Co.) for the supply of Manganate of Soda.

Contract with F. J. Knight and H. D. Hill (trading together as Knigh Hill and Co.), for the supply and delivery of Caustic Soda "Bottoms."

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

- 30.** The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 15th instant (No. 6), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Crawley-mews	...	...	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
Diana-place	...	...	...	...	...	Ditto
Euston-street	...	...	...	...	...	Ditto
Grafton-mews	...	...	...	...	...	Ditto
Hampden-street	...	...	...	...	...	Ditto

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

- 31.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Wilkins, Clerk to the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, dated 22nd January, 1886, referring to the proposal in the Board's Various Powers Bill to form an approach from the Victoria Embankment to Charing-cross Foot-bridge, and expressing a hope that the Board would extend the improvement to the formation of an approach to the Foot-bridge on a level with the Strand.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

- 32.** The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

No. 282.
B. 22.1.

45, Fenchurch-street, London, E.C.,
January 23rd, 1886.

SIR,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of yesterday's date, bearing the above number.

I have much pleasure in expressing my readiness to accept the conditions imposed, and will endeavour to discharge the duties required of me faithfully and efficiently,

I am, &c.,
(Signed) HUGH McLACHLAN.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

- 33.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, M.P., Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 23rd January, 1886, referring to the reduction of the Board's promised contribution towards the Woodsome-road Improvement from £500 to £395, and asking how the figures £780 9s. 2d., stated by the Board's Officers to be the net cost, were arrived at; also asking that, in consideration of the circumstances mentioned in the Letter, the Board would make the full contribution of £500 originally promised.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

- 34.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, M.P., Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 23rd January, 1886, applying for payment of a moiety of the sum of £937, being the amount paid to the School Board for London in respect of land purchased for the Princess-terrace (Road) Improvement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

- 35.** The Clerk presented a copy Report of the Water Examiner, appointed by the Board of Trade, of the examination made by him of the Water supplied by the several Metropolitan Water Companies during the month of December, 1885.

- 36.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. W. Marchant, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Paul, Deptford, dated 25th January, 1886, as to complaints respecting the condition of Canterbury-road, Hatcham, and urging the Board to take such steps as they might think proper to enforce the performance by the Vestry of Camberwell of the duty placed upon them of putting the said road into a proper state of repair.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

- 37.** The Clerk presented a Letter from the Editor of *The Sanitary Record*, dated 26th January, 1886, stating that he would be glad to receive, for notice in that paper, a copy of the Report of the Special Purposes, &c., Committee as to the cleansing and ventilation of Sewers, presented to the Board on Friday last.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a copy of the Report be supplied.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. A. Ellis, dated 26th January, 1886, transmitting copy of a Resolution passed at a meeting of inhabitants of the neighbourhood of Brompton-road, requesting the Board to refuse their sanction to the proposed Subway along the Brompton-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. T. Bayley, Hon. Secretary of the Firewood Merchants Association, dated 26th January, 1886, transmitting copies of Resolutions passed at a meeting of Firewood Merchants in opposition to the Metropolis safe keeping of Firewood Bill, 1886.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

40. The Clerk presented two Letters from Mr. C. E. Parker Rhodes, [dated 23rd and 27th January, 1886, asking the Board to receive a Deputation from Oilmen and retailers of Firewood, in opposition to the Metropolis safe keeping of Firewood Bill, 1886.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to receive the Deputation.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Toon, dated 27th January, 1886, suggesting the name "King Theodore's-road," or, "King Theodore-street," for the line of thoroughfare from Piccadilly to New Oxford-street, for the reason that Theodore, who was King of the Island of Corsica, came to England and lived in exile in Soho, where he died, and was buried in the Parish Church of St. Anne, adjacent to the new street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. A. Hicks, Organising Secretary of the Marylebone and St. Pancras Branch of the Social Democratic Federation, dated 26th January, 1886, asking the Board, on account of the distress which prevailed in that District, to start relief works, and suggesting that the land at the junction of Great College-street and Kentish-town-road should be utilised for the erection of Artizans' Dwellings, and that the Hampstead Improvement should be commenced.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

43. The Clerk presented Letters, as follows—

Letter from Messrs. Sutton and Ommaney, dated 25th January, 1886, applying for the consent of the Board to such part of the North London Tramways Extensions as was proposed to be constructed within the Metropolis.

Letter from Messrs. Sutton and Ommaney, dated 25th January, 1886, on behalf of the Southwark and Deptford Tramways Company, applying for the consent of the Board to such of the Tramways proposed by the Company's Bill as would be within the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letters be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subjects to which they relate.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. W. Cook, Clerk to the Vestry of Christ Church, Spitalfields, dated 27th January, 1886, asking the Board to receive a Deputation

from the frontagers in Commercial-street and Leman-street, and the ratepayers of Spitalfields, in opposition to the application of the North Metropolitan Tramways Company (Bill No. 1), for power to make a Tramway along Commercial-street and Leman-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Cook be informed that, if he will send in a written statement of the objections to the Tramway referred to, it shall be carefully considered, but that the Board do not think it necessary that the Deputation should attend.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. A. Hubbard and R. J. Beale, dated January, 1886, submitting a Drawing of a vessel for transporting large quantities of Sewage Sludge out to sea, and explaining that the scheme was not in competition with the designs advertised for by the Board, but was an entirely independent suggestion.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

46. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works.

5, Tavistock-street, Strand,
28th January, 1886.

HAMPSTEAD-HEATH ENLARGEMENT.

DEAR SIR,—The Board, yesterday, further considered this question, and desired me to intimate to your Board that it will look with favour on the acquisition of the lands provided the rate of £500 per acre is the maximum price paid, and provided, also, that the Metropolitan Board of Works only contributes a moiety of aggregate amount paid for the lands.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. M. JENKINS, Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be received.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Mile-end-old-town, Middlesex.

Guardians' Offices, Bancroft-road,
Mile-end, London, E.
28th January, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Guardians of the Poor of the Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town to inform you that they have resolved to provide new Casual Wards at their Workhouse in Bancroft-road, at a cost not exceeding £5,000, which expenditure has been approved by the Local Government Board.

I am further directed to enquire whether the Metropolitan Board of Works will advance the said sum of £5,000 on loan to the Guardians, repayable within a period of 20 years, and if so, at what rate of interest per centum per annum.

I enclose a copy of the Order of the Local Government Board authorising the Guardians to borrow the said sum of Five thousand pounds.

The favour of an early reply will be appreciated.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. THACKER,
Clerk to the Guardians.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. Rogers Field, C.E., dated 28th January, 1886, asking for a copy of the Report of the Special Purposes Committee on the ventilation and cleansing of Sewers.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be complied with.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. J. Phipps, dated 29th January, 1886, commenting upon the Report of the Building Act Committee with respect to the Portland Hall (India in London); applying for the Board's Certificate for the building, and asking that the legal proceedings directed by the Board to be taken might be temporarily suspended, and that he might be heard upon the consideration of his application for a Certificate.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Fewson, dated 28th January, 1886, submitting his invention for the treatment of noxious Gases, separately, or combined as in sewer gas.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, for consideration and report.

51. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. O'Shaughnessy, Hon. Secretary of the South West Ham Radical Association, dated 29th January, 1886, forwarding a Resolution protesting against the decision of the Board not to open the Main Drainage embankment as a public promenade.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

52. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Casey, dated 29th January, 1886, stating that he had sent in designs for a Sludge Vessel, and that should the Board ultimately decide to adopt the scheme for the removal of the Sewage sludge, he would be prepared to submit an amended Tender for the work.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

53. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas-testing Stations during the week ended on the 26th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.3	16.8	17.0	13.4	9.1	10.2	0.3	0.0	0.1	None.
	Camden	17.1	16.0	16.6	10.3	7.8	9.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston	16.7	16.4	16.5	19.3	13.1	16.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow	17.3	16.8	17.0	12.7	9.1	11.3	0.3	0.0	0.2	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	17.0	16.6	16.7	17.9	15.2	17.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	" (Nine-elms)	16.8	16.3	16.5	15.2	12.1	13.5	0.2	0.1	0.2	"
	Kingsland-road	17.1	16.5	16.9	15.6	12.2	13.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross	16.9	16.8	16.8	15.2	11.4	13.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	St. John's-wood	16.8	15.9	16.4	15.3	13.3	14.3	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	21.5	20.3	21.1	23.5	13.1	16.9	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Peckham	17.1	16.6	16.8	26.3	15.3	21.1	0.6	0.4	0.5	"
	Tooley-street	16.7	16.0	16.3	11.3	6.4	8.3	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
	Clapham	16.9	16.4	16.6	21.0	15.4	18.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Lewisham	17.0	16.0	16.5	10.7	8.0	9.4	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Old Ford	17.4	16.7	17.1	8.2	7.1	7.5	0.3	0.0	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East	17.0	16.5	16.8	14.5	10.9	12.5	0.2	0.1	0.2	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Sun-street, E.C., on 21st January, 1886, at 9.30 p.m., was 2.3 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in Cottage-lane, Clapham, on January 20th, 1886, at 7.30 p.m., was 2.10 inches.

54. It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That Mr. Bonthron be appointed on the Building Act Committee.

55. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Vulliamy, on behalf of Mr. Willoughby, for the consent of the Board to the erection of ten one-storey shops on the forecourts of houses in Bushey-hill-terrace, Peckham-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

56. CLERKENWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. M. Davis, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of Nos. 1 and 2, North-street, Pentonville, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

57. FULHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for the consent of this Board to the erection of three open play-sheds at the Schools in Westville-road, Hammersmith, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be [completed within Eighteen months from this date, that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

58. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. J. C. Pawley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four one-storey shops upon land adjacent to the South-Eastern Railway Station in Greenwich-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

59. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. T. Wood, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of wooden hoods and steps to two houses in Mycenæ-road, Westcombe-park.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

60. PLUMSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Pharaoh, for the consent of the Board to the erection of eight cottages on the East side of Troughton-road, Charlton, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the cottages therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

61. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. V. Grose, on behalf of Mr. H. Ward, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Factory at the corner of Miller-street, Arlington-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

- 62. WESTMINSTER.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Baines, on behalf of Messrs. J. W. Hobbs and Co., for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the erection of residential flats on the West side of Carlisle-street, in the position and to the line shown thereon, also for approval of the open spaces at the rear of such buildings, as shown upon the said Plan.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 63. WOOLWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. Davey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a three-storey house in Queen-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the house therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of the Board.

- 64. SHOREDITCH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Woodthorpe and Hammond, on behalf of the Estate Trustees of St. Giles Without, Cripplegate, and St. Luke, Middlesex, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney shaft at the Baths and Laundry of the Artizans' Dwellings in Chatham-gardens, Nile-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 65. ST. PANCRAS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Turner, on behalf of Messrs. Batho and Wheeler, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the rear of No. 68, Mansfield-road, Kentish-town.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 66. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. J. Downes, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the erection of buildings on the West side of Combe Farm-lane, Blackheath, in the position and to the line shown thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 67. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. S. Archer, on behalf of Dr. T. Watney, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a street at "Water-side," leading out of Jew's-row, York-road, and abutting upon the River Thames.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

- 68. CHELSEA.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. J. Stevenson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of two stables, with living rooms over the same, in Clabon-mews, Cadogan-

square, with open spaces at the rear thereof, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

62. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. M. H. Davies, on behalf of Messrs. J. and R. Bennett, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of an open iron shed at the rear of Park-villas, Norwood-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

70. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Payne, District Surveyor, stating that a building used as a Blacksmith's forge, and situated on land belonging to the Regent's Canal Company, was claimed by the Secretary of such Company to be exempt, under the 54th Section of the Company's Act, from the operation of the Building Act, 1855, and asking for the advice of the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto; and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

71. STRAND.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, a License in respect of a temporary iron building erected at the rear of the Offices of the London School Board, Victoria Embankment.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

72. METROPOLIS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th January, 1886, relative to the expiration of the several Licenses granted by the Board, for the erection and use of the following wood and iron buildings, viz.—a School-room at the rear of No. 93 (late No. 60), Coningham-road, Shepherd's-bush, a Mission-room at the rear of premises in Evelyn-street, Deptford, a Chapel in Verney-road, Rotherhithe, and a studio in Berkeley-grove, Regent's-park, and stating that applications had not been received for the renewal of such Licenses.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the subject be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

73. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Leoni and Co., for the permission of the Board to retain for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected at the rear of No. 54, St. Paul-street, New North-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

74. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th January, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. H. F. Swynfin, Secretary of the St. James's Temperance Mission and Lecture Hall Company, enquiring when the Company might hope to receive the Certificate of the Board in respect of the St. James's Temperance Mission-hall, in Royal-road, Kennington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

75. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Braby and Co., on behalf of Mr. A. C. Moore, for

approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and iron shed at the rear of No. 220, Anerley-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

76. PLUMSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. A. Dash, on behalf of Mr. C. E. Norris, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a loft addition to stabling adjoining Holmesdale-house, at Eltham-green.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

77. SOUTHWARK (CHRISTCHURCH)—Read a communication from Mr. Edwin Richard Hewitt, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of St. Saviour, St. George-the-Martyr (part) and Christchurch, Southwark, and the Northern Division of Lambeth, dated 26th January, 1886, stating that certain works were about to be carried out at Nos. 8 and 9 Charles-street, and asking the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—~~Whereas~~, Mr. Edwin Richard Hewitt, District Surveyor for the District of St. Saviour, St. George-the-Martyr part, and Christchurch, Southwark, and the Northern Division of Lambeth, did on the 26th day of January, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said Edwin Richard Hewitt, was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain works at Nos. 8 and 9, Charles-street, and the said Edwin Richard Hewitt has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is *ordered* by this Board—That Mr. John Alexander James Woodward, District Surveyor for the District of Central Lambeth, and part of Battersea, be appointed by the Board, and the said John Alexander James Woodward is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

Adjourned until Friday, the 5th February next,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 5.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday, the 5th day of February, 1886**, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	HON. ALANDE TATTON EGER- TON, M.P.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR- RETT, Esq.	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	JOHN LENANTON, Esq.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
GEORGE HILL, Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.	JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH- ARDSON, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL- LIAMS, Esq.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND- SAY, Esq.
JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.
GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.
WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	LIEUT.-COL. HUGHES, M.P.
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.
WILLIAM JAMES WETEN- HALL, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.
		ROBERT JONES, Esq.
		JOHN JONES, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 29th January last, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.
2. Mr. Phillips handed in Memorials, as follows—

In Parliament.—Session 1886.

NORTH METROPOLITAN AND THE LONDON STREET TRAMWAYS.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

We, the undersigned Members of the Holborn District Board of Works, are of opinion that an extension of the Tramways from the Holborn Town Hall, along Theobald's-road, towards Bloomsbury, as far as Devonshire-street, or thereabouts, and from King's-cross to Holborn, would be of great public utility and convenience, would materially improve the trade of the District, and be otherwise advantageous to the ratepayers and inhabitants.

That your Petitioners therefore pray that the consent of your Honourable Board may be given, subject to such Clauses as your Honourable Board may deem necessary. '

(Signed) S. JACOBS,
And 25 others.

In Parliament.—Session 1886.

NORTH METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Petition of the undersigned persons, being respectively Owners, Lessees or Occupiers of property fronting on the Theobald's-road, through which it is proposed to construct a Tramway, under the powers of the above-mentioned Bill, from the Holborn Town-hall to Devonshire-street, or thereabouts.

SHEWETH AS FOLLOWS—

1.—That your Petitioners are respectively Owners, Lessees and Occupiers of property along the Theobald's-road, and pay large sums in the shape of rent, rates and taxes of such premises.

2.—That the Bill now pending is calculated to greatly facilitate the traffic in the said streets, and thereby to improve the value of property in the route.

3.—That there exists a great necessity for some means of public conveyance between the districts inhabited by your Petitioners and the North and East of London, and that the Tramway proposed by the said Bill is eminently calculated to fulfil this end.

4.—That the road along which the said Tramway is proposed to be laid is a wide and level road of easy gradient, and well adapted for the construction and working of Tramways.

Your Petitioners therefore pray that the consent of your Honourable Board may be given to the Bill, subject to such Clauses as your Honourable Board may think necessary.

(Signed) T. S. BENNETT,
37A, Theobald's-road,
And 52 others.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Wetenhall, and resolved—That the Memorials be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject of the Bill to which they relate.

3. Mr. Harben handed in a Memorial, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of Saint John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex.

SHEWETH—

That a Bill has been introduced into Parliament, and is now pending, intituled, "A Bill for incorporating the Cricklewood, Kilburn and Harrow-road Tramways Company," empowering them to construct Tramways, and for other purposes.

That Tramways Numbers 1 and 2, referred to in such Bill, commence from "The Crown," at Cricklewood, entering the Parish of Hampstead, at the boundary of the Parish in Edgware-road, passing along the Edgware-road and High-road, Kilburn to Cambridge-road, where it leaves the Parish of Hampstead.

That, irrespective of the general objections to the formation of Tramways in roads belonging to your Memorialists, the construction of such Tramway is most strongly objected to by the residents and occupiers of houses on the line proposed to be taken by the Tramway, and influential Deputations, adverse to the Bill, and another not so influential in favour of it, have attended your Memorialists to urge their respective wishes in regard to the Tramway.

That your Memorialists are of opinion that the objections entertained by the whole body of residents along the line of route of the proposed Tramway, within the Parish of Hampstead, considerably outweigh the supposed advantages thereof, and in consequence your Memorialists have resolved to oppose the same, and to withhold their consent thereto.

That another Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise the London Street Tramways Company to construct additional Tramways, and for other purposes," has also been introduced into and is now pending in Parliament, one of such Tramways, No. 3A, being partly in the Parish of Saint Pancras, and partly in the Parish of Saint John, Hampstead, passing along Chalk-farm-road, Haverstock-hill, and Adelaide-road, and terminating in the last-named road; and the other of such Tramways, No. 3B, being wholly in the Adelaide-road aforesaid, in the Parish of Saint John, Hampstead.

That the houses in the Adelaide-road, and in the immediate neighbourhood, are occupied almost entirely as private residences by persons of good private means, and they, without exception, as far as is known to your Memorialists, object most strongly to the formation of

the proposed or any Tramway in the Adelaide-road, and a Deputation has attended your Memorialists to urge their objections.

That your Memorialists have resolved to withhold their consent to the last-mentioned Tramways also, and to oppose the same.

Your Memorialists, for the reasons before appearing, hope your Honourable Board will also see fit to withhold their consents to the above-mentioned Tramways, and to actively oppose the same.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

The Common Seal of the Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, was affixed hereto at a Meeting held on the First day of February, 1886, by Richard Hackworth, Esquire, Chairman, in the presence of

L. S.

(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,
Vestry Clerk.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Harben, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject of the Bills to which it relates.

4. Mr. Bonthron handed in a Memorial, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of St. James, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, under their Common Seal.

SHREWETH,

That your Memorialists are informed that your Honourable Board have under consideration the subject of assigning a name to the new street recently formed between Piccadilly and New Oxford-street.

That your Memorialists are much interested in the question, and, having carefully considered various names which have been mentioned in connection with the thoroughfare referred to, most respectfully suggest that "St. James's-avenue" would in every respect be most appropriate and suitable for the following, among other reasons—

Firstly.—It is distinctive. No other thoroughfare in the Metropolis bearing the same name.

Secondly.—It is appropriate, as leading into the very heart of the Parish of St. James, and would throughout its whole length form an excellent guide to strangers visiting the West-end of London from Holborn, Bloomsbury, and the Northern Railway Stations.

Thirdly.—It is euphonious.

Fourthly.—It is not unduly long.

Fifthly.—The thoroughfare may truly be described as an Avenue, as trees are already planted along both sides of a portion of its length; arrangements are in progress for planting trees in another portion, and the remainder will in all probability be dealt with in the same way.

Your Memorialists, therefore, pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to order that the new street, leading from Piccadilly-circus to New Oxford-street, shall be named "St. James's-avenue."

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

Sealed by Order.

(Signed) HARRY WILKINS,
Vestry Clerk,
28th January, 1886.

L.S.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Bonthron, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

5 February, 1886.

5. Mr. Middlemass handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of St. Giles, Camberwell.

Vestry Clerk's Department,
Vestry-hall, Camberwell, S.E.,

February 4th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to draw your attention to the following facts—

Complaint was made to the Vestry that W. W. Tanner had erected a certain structure at 81, Meeting-house-lane, without the License in writing first obtained of your Board. Notice was given to Mr. Tanner, by order of the Vestry, that he would be liable to a penalty, not exceeding £5, and to a further penalty of Forty shillings for every day during which such structure continued to be erected without such License having been obtained. This notice was served on the 23rd of December, giving Mr. Tanner 14 days to remove the said structure; it has not been removed, and I have now to ask whether your Board will take proceedings to compel the offender to comply with the Statute.

The notice was served under Section 13 of the Metropolis Management and Building Acts (Amendment) Act, 1882.

I am, &c.

(Signed) GEO. W. MARSDEN,
Vestry Clerk.J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was moved by Mr. Middlemass, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

6. Mr. Meaden handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.

DEAR SIR,

4th February, 1886.

Parliamentary Schemes.—Session, 1886.

SOUTH METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS COMPANY.

Referring to your Letter of the 24th December last, and to mine of the 8th ultimo, I beg to inform you that this Board, at their Meeting held yesterday, resolved to consent to the construction of these Tramways, subject to the insertion in the Provisional Order of the enclosed Clauses, but the consent of the Board is not to be handed over until an Agreement satisfactory to the Board's Solicitor, to insert the Clauses in question has been entered into by the Promoters, nor until amended Plans in accordance with such Clauses have been submitted by the Promoters, and approved by the Board.

The Board are also of opinion that the Clause suggested by the Engineer to the Metropolitan Board of Works in his Report upon Railway and other Schemes for this Session, providing for the right of the authorities to break up the roads and streets for the purpose of constructing new, or repairing or altering existing Sewers, Subways, and drains, or other public works, and requiring the Promoters to divert, and, for the time being, if necessary, to stop the traffic of the Trams, without making any claim for compensation therefor, should be inserted in the Order.

SOUTHWARK AND VAUXHALL WATER BILL.

At the Meeting of this Board, held yesterday, it was resolved that this Bill be opposed in Parliament with the view of procuring certain amendments, of which I enclose a copy.

LAMBETH WATER BILL.

This Board have instructed me to write to the Local Government Board, requesting them to secure, if possible, the insertion in the Bill of provisions similar to those contained in the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Bill, with regard to the raising of the proposed additional capital; also of a similar clause to Section 24 of the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company's Act of 1884, and to call the attention of the Local Government Board to the fact that the Bill does not specify the works for which the additional capital is required.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) HEN. GEO. HILLS,
Clerk.J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

The Clauses, &c., referred to were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Meaden, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, and the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

7. Mr. Meaden handed in a Letter from Mr. H. G. Hills, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 4th February, 1886, requesting to be supplied with six additional copies of the Report made by the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee on the cleansing and ventilation of Sewers.

It was *moved* by Mr. Meaden, seconded, and *resolved*—That the request be complied with.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Clerk be authorised to supply to any Vestry or District Board, who may make application for the same, such number of copies of the said Report as they may require, not exceeding six.

8. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 1st February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account.</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Griffin (Battersea)—(271)—</i>							
Griffin, W.—							
98	Proportion of Rent of tenant of No. 40, Bridge-road, from Michaelmas, 1885, to 20th January, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	...		3	14 9
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>							
<i>Re Tompkins (Charing-cross)—(272)—</i>							
Rae, J., Carr and Martin—							
8569	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	...	60	-	-	
<i>Re Penny (Charing-cross)—(273)—</i>							
Penny, Mrs. Eliza—							
8570	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 39 and 41, Crown-street, Soho, including Trade compensation	...	...	117	-	-	
Baines, C., and Ball—							
8571	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	6	6	-	
<i>Re Carter's Charity (Charing-cross)—(274)—</i>							
Bank of England, for Chancery—							
8572	Purchase-money for Freehold of part of No. 65, Crown-street, Soho	...	...	900	-	-	
Wigg, Oliver and Son—							
8573	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	...	23	2	-	
Carried forward				...	£1,106	8	- 3 14 9

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	1,106	8	-	3	14	9
<i>Re</i> Simpson (Charing-cross)--(275)—								
	Simpson, Wm. Frederick and Simpson, Edward Henry—							
8574	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 5, White Hart-court	... ..	£180	-	-			
8575	Trade compensation	... ..	1,020	-	-			
					1,200	-	-	
Isaacs and Florence—								
8576	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	... ..	23	2	-			
<i>Re</i> Jacob Evans (Southwark-bridge-road)—(276)—								
	Simpson, Palmer and Winder—							
8577	Surveyors' Fee, as per Order of Committee	... ..	24	3	-			
8578	Preliminary Costs, as per Order of Committee	... ..	7	7	-			
<i>Re</i> Angus (Southwark-bridge-road)—(277)—								
	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 117, Southwark-bridge-road—							
8579	Rutter, William	... ..	£1,690	-	-			
8580	Angus, William	... ..	810	-	-			
					2,500	-	-	
Gwyther, W. W.—								
8581	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	... ..	27	6	-			
Phillips, J. and J.—								
8582	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	... ..	12	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Marshall (Charing-cross)—(278)—								
	Marshall, Jas. Saunders—							
8583	Compensation in respect of Yearly tenancy in part of No. 5, White Hart-court, including loss of trade	... ..	70	-	-			
Chadwick, S.—								
8584	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	... ..	4	4	-			
<i>Re</i> Kirchenstein (Charing-cross)—(279)—								
	Kirchenstein,—							
8585	Compensation in respect of Yearly tenancy in first floor of No. 5, New Compton-street, Soho	... ..	10	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Willis (Southwark-bridge-road)—(280)—								
	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 20 and 22, Mint-street, including Trade compensation—							
8587	Willis, E. E....	... ..	£892	18	9			
8588	Willis, E. E....	... ..	107	1	3			
					1,000	-	-	
Coxwell, J. E.—								
8589	Costs of Chancery action, as agreed before Jury	... ..	30	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Nicholson (Southwark-bridge-road)—(281)—								
	Nicholson, Wm.—							
8590	Purchase-money for Weekly tenancy in No. 82, Red-cross-street, for Leasehold interest in part of house and yard and Blacksmith's shop, No. 84, Red-cross-street, and Trade compensation, &c.	... ..	350	-	-			
	Carried forward	... ..	£6,365	-	-	3	14	9

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
	Brought forward	...	...	6,365	-	-	3	14	9
Haynes, B.—									
8591	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	...	13	-	-			
Compensation for loss of business and removal—									
Rawle and Co. (Charing-cross)—(282)—									
8592	No. 12, Hemming's-row	...	...	150	-	-			
Bell, Mrs. J. (Charing-cross)—(283)—									
8593	No. 14, Hemming's-row	...	...	50	-	-			
Ball, E. (Charing-cross)—(285)—									
8594	No. 12, Denmark-street	...	...	30	-	-			
Van Boolen (Charing-cross)—(284)—									
8595	No. 77, Castle-street	...	...	25	-	-			
Wilmott, H. (Charing-cross)—(286)—									
8596	No. 27, Crown-street	...	...	25	-	-			
Goodman, E. (Charing-cross)—(287)—									
8597	No. 37, Crown-street	...	...	20	-	-			
Curling, C. (Charing-cross)—(288)—									
8598	No. 37, Crown-street	...	...	20	-	-			
Wilkinson, Mrs. C. (Charing-cross)—(289)—									
8599	No. 20, Castle-street	...	...	15	-	-			
Bailey, Mrs. E. (Charing-cross)—(290)—									
8600	No. 8, Denmark-street	...	...	15	-	-			
Byrne, J. (Charing-cross)—(291)—									
8601	No. 57, Crown-street	...	...	15	-	-			
Brockington, T. (Charing-cross)—(292)—									
8602	No. 4, New Compton-street	...	...	10	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Willis (Southwark-bridge-road)—(293)—									
Funge, J.—									
8603	Assistance on Trade claim	...	...	12	12	-			
						6,765	12	-	
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>									
<i>Re</i> Benham (Upper-street, Islington)—(294)—									
Alexander, General Sir Jas., K.C.B., and Price, Jno. Blount—									
752	Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in Nos. 167 and 168, Upper-street	...	...	3,300	-	-			
Newbon and Harding—									
753	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	31	10	-			
Phillips, J. and J.—									
754	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	...	...	16	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Hood (Upper-street, Islington)—(295 and 296)—									
Eady, G. J.—									
755	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	...	24	12	10			
Maddison, F. B., and Co.—									
756	Costs of obtaining concurrence of Trustee	...	...	12	12	-			
Carried forward						£,3385	4	10	
						6,769	6	9	

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	3,385	4	10	6,769	6	9
<i>Re J. and C. Brown (Upper-street, Islington)—(297)—</i>								
Brown, Miss Jane and Brown, Miss Caroline—								
757	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 165, Upper-street	... ..	£363	-	-			
758	Trade compensation	... ..	1,037	-	-			
						1,400	-	-
Isaacs and Florence—								
759	Surveyors' Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	21	-	-			
<i>Re Harding (Upper-street, Islington)—(298)—</i>								
Price, S., and Son—								
760	Taxed costs of Jury proceedings	... ..	229	17	8			
<i>Re Benn (Upper-street, Islington)—(299)—</i>								
Bolton and Mote—								
761	Costs of Title and Conveyance, including Mortgagee's charges	... ..		19	9	10		
<i>Re Ward (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(300)—</i>								
Smith, F. R., and Son—								
762	Thirteen weeks' Rent of No. 19, Green-street, to 18th January, 1886 (less Tax)	... ..		8	16	-		
<i>Re Burl (Upper-street, Islington)—(301)—</i>								
Burl, Hy.—								
763	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in No. 278, Upper-street...	... ..	350	-	-			
Newbon and Harding—								
764	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	... ..	11	11	-			
<i>Re Ransom (Upper-street, Islington)—(302)—</i>								
Child, W. J., and Son—								
765	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	11	13	8			
<i>Re Russell (Upper-street, Islington)—(303)—</i>								
Russell, Joseph—								
766	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 318, Upper-street	... ..	£500	-	-			
767	Trade compensation	... ..	700	-	-			
						1,200	-	-
Newbon and Harding—								
768	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	... ..	26	5	-			
Assistance on Trade claims—								
Whitehead, J.—(304)—								
769	<i>Re</i> Hope (Bermondsey)	... ..	£5	5	-			
	„ Austin	... ..	5	5	-			
	„ Armfield	... ..	5	5	-			
	„ Mercer (Green-street, Bethnal-green)	... ..	5	5	-			
	„ Prince	... ..	5	5	-			
						26	5	-
Lavy, C.—(305)—								
770	<i>Re</i> Lines (Walworth-road)	... ..	15	15	-			
Johnson, D.—(306)—								
771	<i>Re</i> Simmonds (Green-street, Bethnal-green)	... ..	8	8	-			
	Carried forward	... ..	£6,714	6	-	6,769	6	9

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	6,714	6	—	6,769	6	9
Funge, J.—(307)—								
772	<i>Re</i> Neale (Tower-hill)	...	7	7	—			
Bourn, H.—(308)—								
773	<i>Re</i> Mackay (Green-street, Bethnal-green)	...	5	5	—			
<i>Re</i> Ebbs (Tower-hill)—(325)—								
	Ebbs, S. and A. B.—							
774	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 5, Postern-row, Nos. 20 and 22, George-street, and portions of Nos. 21 and 23, George- street, as per Contract	...	2,000	—	—			
775	Trade compensation	...	4,400	—	—			
Green and Son—								
776	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	100	—	—			
Phillips, J. and J.—								
777	Stamp-duty	...	10	10	—			
						13,237	8	—
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re</i> Simon—								
	Bell, Stewards and May—(309)—							
279	Costs of obtaining concurrence of Lord of Manor, and of enrolling Conveyance	...	5	9	6			
Squire, E. B. and H.—(310 and 311)—								
280	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	30	17	7			
281	Insurance premium, half-year to Midsummer, 1886, and one-third of Rates to Lady-day, 1886	...	2	14	—			
						39	1	1
<i>Streets (Act of 1884).</i>								
<i>Re</i> Creaser (St. Pancras)—(312)—								
	Creaser, Ann—							
25	Compensation for removal, &c., from No. 291, Great College-street	...				15	—	—
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>								
<i>Re</i> Griffin (Battersea)—(313)—								
	Shaw and Co.—							
15	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	16	5	4			
<i>Re</i> Holland (Battersea)—(314)—								
	Lee and Pemberton—							
16	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	13	—	—			
						29	5	4
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re</i> Ball's Charity (Goulston-street)—(315 and 316)—								
	One year's Rent-charge upon the Meadow's Estate to 30th November, 1885 (less Tax)—							
5641	Cuming, S. (Totnes)	...	£12	8	11			
5642	Bickerton, J. J. (Oxford)	...	24	17	9			
						37	6	8
<i>Re</i> Wright (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(324)—								
	Bristow, W.—							
5643	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	£1	12	6			
	Carried forward		£1	12	6	37	6	8
						20,090	1	2

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	£1 12 6	37	6	3	20,090	1	2
<i>Re</i> Paul (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(317)—								
	Bristol, W.—							
	Costs of Title and Conveyance	... 2 2 -				3	14	6
<i>Re</i> Gaunt and Fuller (Windmill-row)—(318)—								
	Turner, F. H.—							
5644	Costs of Arbitration	... ..	11	-	6			
<i>Re</i> Bellaers (Tench-street)—(319)—								
	Bellaers, Dr. James—							
5645	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 43 to 45, and 167 to 170, on Plan of Scheme		35	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Marshall (Tench-street)—(320)—								
	Woodroffe, C. G.—							
5646	Costs of Title and Conveyance	... ..	6	15	8			
<i>Re</i> Walker (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(321)—								
	Walker, Thomas—							
5647	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 15, 16, and 17, Elliott's-square ...	... ..	240	-	-			
	Briant and Son—							
5648	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	... ..	8	8	-			
						342	5	4
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>								
<i>Re</i> Vernon (Upper-street, Islington)—(322)—								
	Shaen, Roscoe and Co.—							
1526	Proportion of tenants' Rent of No. 318, Upper-street, from Michaelmas to 22nd October, 1885 (less Tax)	... ..	4	3	1			
<i>Re</i> Collins (Walworth-road)—(323)—								
	Collins, J.—							
1527	One-quarter's Rent of No. 94, Walworth-road, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	... ..	15	14	2			
						19	17	3
						£20,452	3	9

Your Committee have to report they have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 15th ultimo (No. 29), from Mr. F. R. Conder, submitting his process for the treatment of Sewage. Mr. Conder states that by his process, which consists in the addition of eight grains of protosulphate of iron to each gallon of Sewage, instead of the usual precipitated sludge, a simple silt, without water is obtained, and that neither effluent nor precipitate contains any putrescible matter. Your Engineer and your Chemist have reported to your Committee that, from careful consideration of the statements submitted by Mr. Conder, and the results of numerous carefully-conducted experiments made by your Chemist, they are of opinion that the process is not one which they can recommend to the favourable notice of the Board. Your Committee concur in that view, and recommend—

That a reply be addressed to Mr. Conder accordingly.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 8th ultimo (No. 37), from the Tottenham Local Board of Health, asking to be informed of this Board's views relative to the River Lee Purification Bill, and what course they intend to adopt respecting it. The Parliamentary Committee reported upon

the Bill on the 15th ultimo (No. 11), and the Board, upon their recommendation, decided to present a Petition against it. Your Committee recommend—

That a Letter be addressed to the Tottenham Local Board, informing them to that effect.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 8th ultimo (No. 38), from Messrs. Goldring and Mitchell, transmitting on behalf of their clients, the Whitehall Court, Limited, a copy of the Horse Guards Avenue Bill, and of the deposited Plans and Book of Reference, and stating that their clients would be glad to consider any suggestions the Board might have to make with reference to the Bill, and to arrange an appointment between the Board's Architect and Mr. Driver to discuss the matter generally. On the 6th November last your Committee reported on a Letter which had been received from the promoters of the Bill, and the Board, upon the recommendation of your Committee, decided to inform them that they were not disposed to contribute towards the expense of the proposed approach, and that in the event of a Bill being introduced into Parliament for the purpose suggested, the Board would feel it to be their duty to oppose it. The Board have presented a Petition against the Bill, and your Committee now recommend—

That Messrs. Goldring and Mitchell be informed to the foregoing effect in reply to their Letter.

Your Committee have had before them an application by the Trustees of the Estate of the late David Mitchell, for permission to erect six cottages over the site of the Board's Sewer, passing under the Trustees' building land at Garratt-lane, Wandsworth. Your Engineer reports that the Sewer is sufficiently deep and strong not to be injuriously affected by the buildings, and under those circumstances your Committee recommend—

That the Board do grant the requisite permission, subject to all their rights in the Sewer being reserved under the usual form of Agreement to be prepared by the Solicitor.

Your Committee, on the 6th November last (No. 7), reported the course they had taken in authorising your Engineer to continue, for a further period of three months, the employment of seventeen temporary Assistants engaged under the authority of the Board's Resolutions of 19th November, 1880 (No. 9), and 11th March, 1881 (No. 18). Your Committee have now to state that upon the application of your Engineer, they have authorised him to retain those temporary Assistants for a further period of six months, and they ask the sanction of the Board to that course.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Islington, referred to them on the 27th November last (No. 35), stating that the Vestry had completed the Improvement at the Parish Churchyard, and that, owing to the circumstances stated in the Letter, the actual outlay (exclusive of professional charges) had amounted to £1,758 16s. 8d., and asking the Board to increase the amount of their contribution agreed to on the 11th July, 1884, from £550 to one-half of the outlay. Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Superintending Architect describing the extra works in respect of which the application is made, and also a Report by your Accountant, and they are of opinion that the Board may be advised to contribute a further sum of £300 towards the cost of the Improvement. They recommend accordingly, and that a Cheque be now drawn for the total amount of the Board's contribution, namely, £850.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

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FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. J. WETENHALL,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
W^m. SHEPHERD,
GEO. HILL,
W. R. SELWAY,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
F. M. WENBORN,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Conder be informed in reply to his Letter, relative to his process for the treatment of Sewage, that the Board, after conference with their Engineer and Chemist, are unable to adopt the process.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Tottenham Local Board of Health be informed in reply to their Letter, enquiring as to the intentions of the Board with regard to the Lee River Purification Bill, that the Board have decided to oppose the Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Messrs. Goldring and Mitchell, be informed, in reply to their Letter on the subject of the Horse Guards Avenue Bill, that the Board have decided to oppose the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of the Trustees of the Estate of the late Mr. D. Mitchell, for permission to erect six Cottages over the site of the Board's sewer passing under the Trustees' building land at Garratt-lane, Wandsworth, be granted, on condition that all the Board's rights in the sewer be reserved, and that the usual Agreement for that purpose be prepared by the Solicitor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the course taken by the Committee in authorising the Engineer to retain, for a further period of Six months, the temporary Assistants in his Department, whose employment was reported to the Board on the 6th November last (No. 7), be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do contribute an additional sum of £300 towards the cost of the Improvement carried out by the Vestry of Islington at the Churchyard of that Parish.

9. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 2nd February, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Lewisham District Board, referred to them on Friday last, asking that Fire-alarms may be provided in the Hamlet of Penge, and suggesting various points as suitable for the purpose. The Board on the 27th November last resolved that Fire-alarm circuits should be established in such neighbourhoods as had not already been provided with them, and among the localities were included the districts in which are situated the Lewisham and Sydenham Fire-Brigade Stations, which cover the Hamlet of Penge. The points at which Fire-alarms will be placed in Penge are not quite the same as those suggested in the Letter from the District Board, but they are those recommended by the Chief Officer as most suitable after a general survey of the District. The order for these Fire-alarms has been given to the Post Office, and they will be proceeded with in due course. Your Committee recommend—

That the District Board be informed of what has been done.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the St. Giles's District Board, referred on Friday last, suggesting the desirability of an official inquiry being held into the causes of all fires in the Metropolis which the Fire Brigade is called upon to deal with. In January, 1883, the Board communicated to the Home Secretary, in reply to a request from him, its opinion that a public inquiry into the origin of fires should be held in such cases as the Home Secretary or the Board might consider necessary, and that such inquiry should be conducted by some officer, other than the Coroner, to be appointed by the Secretary of State. The Board subsequently, in reply to a further Letter from the Home Department, expressing its willingness to defray the expenditure of such inquiry as the Board might think necessary in cases where no death had occurred. The Secretary of State having been placed in possession of the Board's views and the

question being one for his consideration, it does not appear to your Committee that any further action can be taken by the Board. They recommend—

That the St. Giles's District Board be informed of the course taken by this Board in the year 1883.

The Chief Officer has reported that ten manual fire-engines, which were made for the Board in the years 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869 and 1874, and upon which a considerable sum of money has since been spent in repairs, are now in such a state as to require either that a further large sum should be spent upon them, or that new Engines should be obtained in their stead. The Chief Officer thinks it better that new Engines should be obtained, and he advises that, instead of ten new manual Engines, the Board should order three new Steam Engines, and that the makers should be required to take the old Manual Engines in part payment. Your Committee agree with the Chief Officer, and they accordingly recommend—

That they be authorised to obtain three new Steam Fire-engines.

Your Committee have received a Report from the Chief Officer, and a Certificate from the Medical Officer of the "B" District to the effect that William R. Devine, a First-class Fireman, is incapacitated for further service by reason of the loss of two of the fingers of his left hand. He was engaged in working the Engines of the fire-float "Buffalo" at the fire in Mill-street, Dockhead, on the 19th November last, when he slipped, and the first and second fingers of his left hand coming in contact with the machinery were cut off at the knuckle joint. Devine was born in June, 1841, and joined the Brigade in September, 1865. He is therefore 44 years of age, and has completed 20 years' service. He has a wife and five children depending on him. The Pension to which 20 years' service entitles a First-class Fireman is 13s. 8d. a week, but this amount is hardly sufficient when it is considered that the injury by which Devine is incapacitated was received while he was discharging his duty. It occurs to your Committee however that, as the injury is a local one, and as Devine's general health and strength are not injured, he is capable of other employment in which the use of his fingers would not be so necessary as it is in the Fire Brigade. He would probably be fit for the place of Keeper or Assistant-Keeper on one of the Open Spaces under the Board's control, and if he be fit, the Board will probably consider that he has a good claim for such employment. Your Committee therefore make the following recommendation—

That W. R. Devine, be discharged with a Pension of 13s. 8d. a week, the amount to which he is entitled under the Board's Regulations; that it be referred to the Parks, Commons and Open Spaces Committee to consider and report whether Devine is a fit person to fill the next vacancy among the Common Keepers; and that until that Committee shall have reported, Devine be allowed a further sum of 6s. 4d. a week, so as to make his total allowance from the Board £1 a week.

Your Committee have to report, for the information of the Board, that Second-class Fireman Henry E. Matthews, Third-class Firemen Alfred Iddenden, William Cudmore, and Frederick J. Bamberger, and Fourth-class Firemen James Samworth, William H. Hodskins, and Walter W. Potter have withdrawn from the service, and that their names have accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Your Committee have to submit the following recommendations—

That Third-class Fireman Walter Cobden be promoted to the Second Class, and Fourth-class Firemen Jerome Moon, Joseph Allen, John Williams and Charles T. Stubbings to the Third Class.

That Alfred May, Gilbert C. Girault, William S. Harding and Frederick Dennison be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

Your Committee reported in May, 1880, that there was an accumulated surplus amounting then to about £400, arising mainly from the increase of the value of the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, in which the Firemen's Savings Fund was invested, and they explained that, as the surplus had been produced partly by the savings of men who had left the force and received back their money with interest thereon, it

could not be said to belong to the individual subscribers to the Fund who were then in the Brigade. Your Committee stated, however, that the money seemed rightly to belong to the Brigade as a body, and, as they had ascertained that there was a Widows and Orphans' Fund established and maintained by the men, they expressed the opinion that nothing better could be done than to pay the interest on the accumulated surplus to that Fund. A question was, however, raised by the Board as to the propriety of this course, and upon further consideration, your Committee decided not to do anything further in the matter at that time, and they so reported to the Board. The surplus has continued to increase, and now amounts to about £600. It appears to your Committee that something should be done with this money, and whilst they are not, at present, prepared to recommend a way of disposing of the surplus itself, they are of opinion that it would be well to pay over annually the interest upon it to the Firemen's Widows and Orphans' Fund, and they recommend—

That that be done.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) GEORGE HILL,
W. J. WETENHALL,
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS,
W. R. SELWAY,
ROBT. JONES,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, and seconded—That the Lewisham District Board be informed that the Board have requested the Post Office to establish Fire-alarm circuits in connection with the Lewisham and Sydenham Stations, and that some of the call-points will be in the Parish of Penge.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, and seconded by Mr. Harben—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it, 7; against it, 19; and it was lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, and seconded—That the Saint Giles's District Board be informed that this Board in January, 1883, expressed to the Home Secretary its opinion that a public inquiry should be held, by some Officer, other than the Coroner, into the origin of Fires, in such cases as the Home Secretary or the Board might consider necessary.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Hewitt, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it, 14; against it, 18; and it was lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, and seconded—That the Committee be authorised to obtain three new Steam Fire-engines in the place of ten old Manual Engines, upon which it is not deemed expedient to spend more money in repairs.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the question be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it, 28; against it, 10; and

it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an original motion, it was also carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That W. R. Devine, a First-class Fireman, who is incapacitated for service by the loss of two fingers, through an accident while on duty, be discharged with a pension of 13s. 8d. a week, the amount to which he is entitled under the Board's Regulations; that it be referred to the Parks, Commons and Open Spaces Committee to consider and report whether Devine is a fit person to fill the next vacancy among the Common Keepers; and that until that Committee shall have reported, Devine be allowed a further sum of 6s. 4d. a week, so as to make his total allowance from the Board £1 a week.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That the following promotions be made—viz., Third-class Fireman Walter Cobden to the Second Class; and Fourth-class Firemen Jerome Moon, Joseph Allen, John Williams, and Charles T. Stubbings to the Third Class.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That Alfred May, Gilbert C. Girault, William S. Harding, and Frederick Dennison be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That the interest on the accumulated surplus of the Firemen's Savings Fund be transferred annually to the Firemen's Widows and Orphans' Fund.

10. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 2nd February, 1886.

Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Solicitor with reference to the proceedings which the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 8), ordered to be taken against the person or persons who are keeping open the Portland Hall, formerly the Portland Bazaar in Langham-place, St. Marylebone, as a place of public entertainment without the Certificate of the Board, and having regard to the views expressed in such Report your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be authorised to retain Mr. Besley as Counsel on behalf of the Board.

Your Committee have to report that the Board, on the 20th March last (No. 9), directed a Notice under the 45th Section of their Various Powers Act, 1882, to be prepared and served upon the person keeping open the Royalty Theatre, in Dean-street, Soho, as a place of public entertainment. The Notice had reference to the fastenings of the exit doors, the placing of inscriptions in the corridors to show the way out, and the provision of oil lamps in certain parts of the Theatre to be kept burning during the whole time of the performance. The original Notice was served on the 8th April last, but in consequence of the Theatre changing hands it was found necessary to renew the Notice. This was done on the 11th November last, and your Committee have now to report for the information of the Board that the Notice has been complied with.

Your Committee have also to report their proceedings under the Resolution of the Board of the 30th October last (No. 12), authorising them to confer with the Owner of the Beaumont Literary and Philosophical Institution, in Beaumont-square, Mile-end, upon the subject of the structural defects of the building. The Board's draft Notice was transmitted to the Owner on the 12th November last, and shortly afterwards his Solicitors, Messrs. Burton, Yeates, Hart and Burton, asked that the Notice might be abandoned, upon their client undertaking not to renew the existing License, which would expire at Michaelmas, 1886. Your Committee deemed it right to point out to Messrs. Burton that the Board, having regard to the duty placed upon them by the Act of Parliament, could not acquiesce in that suggestion, and that, as the building was licensed as a place of public entertainment, their Requisitions must be complied with.

Messrs. Burton thereupon made an application to the Court of Quarter Sessions for Middlesex, for the formal cancelment of the License, and the Court, on the 21st ultimo, resolved that the License should be revoked, pursuant to Section 3 of the Act 25 Geo. II. cap. 36, and an endorsement to that effect has been made upon the License by the Clerk of the Peace. This forfeiture of the License withdraws the building from the jurisdiction of the Board, under the Act of 1878, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That the reference with regard to remedying the structural defects of the building be discharged.

The Board on the 26th June last (No. 11) instructed their Solicitor to serve, with the consent of the Home Secretary, a sealed Notice under the Act of 1878 upon the Owner of the Eagle Tavern Music-hall, in the City-road, containing Eleven Requisitions for remedying the structural defects of the building. The Notice was served on the 25th July, 1885, and the usual period of Six months was allowed for the completion of the works. It appears from a recent survey that the site of the entrance vestibule has been added to the bar of the Tavern, and that the direct approach to the Music-hall is through that bar. The only work referred to in the Board's Notice which has been commenced is the construction of the floor of the refreshment saloon on the gallery level, and that remains in an unfinished condition. The Hall is at present closed, but as the License still remains in force, it is desirable, in the interest of the public safety, to insist upon the execution of the necessary structural alterations. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary legal proceedings against the owner of the Eagle Tavern Music-hall, in the City-road, to enforce compliance with the Board's Requisitions for remedying the structural defects of the building.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. J. Edmeston, on behalf of the National Agricultural Hall Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a proposed alteration in the position of the staircases of the large Hall of the National Agricultural Hall adjoining the Kensington (Addison-road) Railway Station, Hammersmith, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 72). The object of the slight alteration proposed in the position of the four staircases to the gallery of the Hall is to avoid interference with the principals of the roof. The staircases as altered, instead of being entirely within the building, will project 9 feet beyond the external face of its enclosing walls. The alteration appears to your Committee to be an improvement, as the new arrangement will afford greater facilities for the exit of the public. They therefore recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 27th November last (No. 8), authorising them to confer with the Owner of Neumeyer Hall, in Hart-street, Bloomsbury, upon the question of the structural defects of the building. The representatives of the Owner, who have accordingly attended your Committee, raised, in the first instance, a general objection to the Board's Notice on the ground that the building, being used only for private meetings, was not a place of public resort within the terms of the Act. Your Committee, however, dissented from that view, and pointed out that the building, being licensed by the Justices of Middlesex, might at any time be used for public purposes, and that it was therefore the duty of the Board to deal with it in accordance with the provisions of the Act. The only Requisitions to which serious objection has been taken are the Fourth and Sixth, requiring two new staircases constructed in conformity with the Board's Regulations, to be built in lieu of those now existing respectively on the South side of the Hall, and at the North-West angle of the Hall premises. The Owner is desirous of meeting the Board's Requisitions by re-arranging the present staircases in accordance with the Drawings submitted by his Architect, Mr. J. D. Mathews, and as these are satisfactory your Committee are of opinion that the proposal may be accepted, and the Fourth and Sixth Requisitions modified accordingly. The only other Requisition which your Committee consider it

expedient to alter in any way is the Eighth, in which they think it unnecessary to retain the provision for covering the vertical sashes of the lantern light in the roof with iron guards. Your Committee are therefore of opinion that a revised Notice, containing the following Requisitions, should be served upon the Owner of the Hall—

1.—That so much of the floors of the rooms on the first floor of Bloomsbury Mansion as extend over the entrance to the Hall leading out of Hart-street, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

2.—That the floor of the Hall, together with the floors of the two retiring rooms and the lobby, and of the two ante-rooms at the North-West angle of the premises, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

3.—That the spiral staircase leading from the show-room on the ground-floor to the retiring-room on the West side of the Hall, be removed, and the flooring of the retiring-room made good with fire-resisting materials.

4.—That the public staircase on the South side of the Hall be pulled down, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place, in accordance with the drawings submitted by Mr. J. D. Mathews, and signed by the Chairman of the Committee; that such new staircase do have spandril steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet wide in the clear, with the necessary intermediate landing; that the steps be supported at both ends; that the intermediate landing of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landing at the head of such staircase be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor; and that the lower flight of the stairs do have two iron standards bolted to the floor and the ceiling, and an additional iron handrail secured to the same, at a height of 5 feet from the level of the upper surface of the steps.

5.—That the window on the South side of the staircase-hall be stopped up with brickwork 14 inches thick.

6.—That the staircase at the North-West angle of the Hall premises, leading into Pied Bull-yard, be pulled down, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place, in accordance with the drawings submitted by Mr. J. D. Mathews, and signed by the Chairman of the Committee; that the lower flight of such new staircase do have solid square steps, and that the upper flights do have spandril steps, of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported on the outer edge, partly by a brick wall 9 inches thick, and partly by iron bearers; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landing at the head of such staircase be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor; that the lower flight of the stairs do have four iron standards bolted to the steps and the ceiling, and an additional iron handrail secured to the same at a height of 5 feet from the level of the upper surface of the steps; and that a bulk-head be formed over such staircase, enclosed at the sides with half-brick work in cement, and with a roof formed of concrete on iron bearers.

7.—That the door-way at the North-West angle of the Hall be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, or as far as practicable.

8.—That the skylights over the show-rooms on the ground-floor be protected by galvanised iron wire guards.

9.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the two staircases.

10.—That all doors used by the public be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

And they recommend—

That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

Your Committee have had under consideration the application of Mr. J. W. Brooker, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Moore, Jun., for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed Music-hall to be erected at the rear of the “Royal Standard” Public-house, in York-road, Battersea, as shown upon the Drawings accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 8th ultimo (No. 63). The Hall will be 69 feet long by 54 feet wide, having a gallery around three of its sides, and will accommodate an audience of more than 600 persons. It will be approached by two corridors leading out of York-road, through the Public-house, and enclosed on all sides by fire-resisting materials. Your Committee, after carefully examining the drawings originally submitted, pointed out to the applicant certain particulars in which it appeared desirable that they should be amended, with a view to bringing them into conformity with the Board’s Regulations, and securing the greater safety of the public. These suggestions had reference to the improvement of the two staircases leading to the gallery, one of which it was deemed desirable should be made to communicate directly with the street, the reduction of the area of the gallery, the removal of the dressing-rooms under the stage, the protection of certain windows and skylights, the substitution of iron for wooden ventilators in the roof, and the provision of the requisite open space at the rear of two proposed shops next York-road. These suggestions have been embodied by the applicant in the amended Drawings submitted by him on the 23rd ultimo, which your Committee are of opinion may, with one further modification, receive the approval of the Board. They therefore recommend—

That the application of Mr. J. W. Brooker, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Moore, Jun., for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed Music-hall to be erected at the rear of the “Royal Standard” Public-house, in York-road, Battersea, as shown upon the amended Drawings submitted by the applicant on the 23rd January, 1886, be granted, on condition that the opening between the entrance to the gallery and the Eastern corridor be bricked up; that the said drawings be approved; and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the building, in accordance with such drawings and the above condition, to the satisfaction of the Board.

Your Committee have carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Britannia (late Bijou) Music-hall, No. 58, Blackfriars-road, Southwark (Christchurch), and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. The Music-hall, which is situated at the rear of a small Beer-shop, is about 45 feet long by an average width of 18 feet, and will accommodate about 150 persons seated. It has a raised platform at the Western end, with dressing-rooms under, and a small balcony at the Eastern end, approached by a wooden staircase, 2 feet 6 inches wide, which also serves for access to the rooms over the Public-house. The entrance to the Hall is through the Public-house-bar, and there are no other means of exit. The floor of the Hall is of wood, with cellars extending under its whole area. Your Committee, after considering the Report and Drawings prepared by your Superintending Architect, are of opinion that the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That an entrance passage-way, 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the

Hall through the bar of the Public-house ; that such passage be enclosed upon all sides by brickwork or other fire-resisting materials, to be approved by the Board, and that no openings be formed between such passage and the bar of the Public-house.

2.—That a brick wall, 14 inches thick, be built at the Eastern end of the Hall, on the ground floor, in a line with the back wall of the Public-house, to separate the Hall from the Public-house ; that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey, and that not more than one opening, not exceeding 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall for access to the Music-hall.

3.—That the floor of the Music-hall be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the dressing-rooms under the stage be removed, or be properly lighted and ventilated to the satisfaction of the Board.

5.—That the staircase to the balcony be removed, and that a new staircase be provided to the same ; that such new staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6 inch risers, 3 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings ; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick ; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 3 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick ; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings ; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or be constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

6.—That the window of the kitchen of the Public-house on the first floor, overlooking the balcony of the Hall, be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

7.—That the floor of the scullery of the Public-house, which extends over a portion of the Hall at the South-East angle, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

8.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by galvanised iron wire guards fixed on the outside of such skylights.

9.—That handrails be fixed on both sides of the balcony staircase.

10.—That all door-ways used by the public be made not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide, and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

Your Committee recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor ; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon ; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee have also carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Eyre Arms Assembly Rooms, Nos. 1 and 3, Finchley-road, St. Marylebone, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. The premises, otherwise known as St. John's-wood Assembly-rooms, are situated at the rear of the “Eyre Arms” Tavern, at the corner of Grove-end-road. The large

Assembly Room is on the level of the first floor, and is approached by two staircases, which should be reconstructed in accordance with the Board's regulations. The large Assembly-room is 79 feet long by a width varying from 36 to 40 feet, having a superficial area of about 3,080 feet, and accommodating from 500 to 600 persons. There is a small platform at the Eastern end, and a refreshment bar on the South side, with openings at each end of the bar communicating with the two staircases. At the Eastern end of the Hall is a large supper-room, adjoining which are a cloak-room and two bed-rooms, and a staircase leading to the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house. The ground floor under the large Assembly Room is occupied by a smoking room communicating with the Public-house, a billiard-room and cloak rooms. Your Committee, having considered the Report of your Superintending Architect on the subject, and inspected the Drawings prepared under his direction, are of opinion that the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That the staircase to the Assembly rooms at the South-West angle of the premises be pulled down, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place; that such new staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps, of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads, and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

2.—That the floor of the lobby at the foot of such staircase be constructed of iron joists and concrete, or of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

3.—That the staircase at the South-East angle of the premises be pulled down, together with the lavatories adjoining, and that a new staircase be constructed on the site of such staircase and lavatories adjoining; that such new staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps, of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the floor of the lobby at the foot of the staircase last described be constructed of iron and concrete, or other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

5.—That the two openings in the North wall of the staircase at the South-East angle of the premises be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

6.—That the floor of the Assembly room, and of the refreshment bar adjoining, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

7.—That the floors of the rooms on the first floor of the “Eyre Arms” Public-house, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

8.—That the lower part of the windows on the North and West sides of the Assembly room be protected by wrought-iron guard-bars to a height of 6 feet from the floor.

9.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircases at the South-East and South-West angles of the Assembly room.

10.—That the skylights over the Assembly room refreshment bar be protected by a galvanized-iron wire guard fixed on the outside.

11.—That all doors used by the public be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

Your Committee recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly, or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee have also carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Griffin Music-hall, No. 99, Shoreditch High-street, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. This is a small Music-hall on the level of the ground floor at the rear of a Public-house on the East side of High-street, flanking upon a narrow foot-way, known as Jane Shore-court. The Hall is of an irregular shape, being 39 feet long in the longest part, by 33 feet in width, and accommodating 250 persons. The entrance to the Hall is through the bar of the “Griffin” Public-house, and the door-ways through which the public pass vary in width from 2 feet 5 inches to 3 feet 10 inches, and all open inwards. There is an exit door-way, about 3 feet wide, into Jane Shore-court, with one step 18 inches deep, from the Hall floor to the pavement of the court. A wooden staircase to the rooms over the Public-house opens into the Hall. After considering the Drawings and Report submitted by your Superintending Architect, your Committee are of opinion that the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That an entrance passage, not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the Hall through the bar of the “Griffin” Public-house; that such passage be separated from the Public-house by a brick wall, 9 inches thick, without openings, and that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the Public-house; that the floor of such passage be formed of brick arches 9 inches thick, or of concrete on wrought-iron joists; and that such passage do have a ceiling of concrete 6 inches thick on wrought-iron joists.

2.—That a brick wall, 9 inches thick, be built at the Western end of the Hall, to separate the Hall from the Public-house adjoining; that such wall be carried down to the basement of the Public-house, and be carried up to a height of 3 feet above the flat roof of the Music-hall; and that not more than one opening, not exceeding 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall, on the ground floor level, for access to the Music-hall.

3.—That the staircase leading from the Hall to the rooms on the first floor of the Public-house be removed.

4.—That the door-way in the North wall of the Music-hall, leading into Jane Shore-court, be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, and that an additional step be formed to such door-way as enlarged.

5.—That the doors to the Hall be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

In accordance with those views your Committee recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee have further to report that they have carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Kensington Hall, in Kensington-park-road, Notting-hill, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. This is a small and inconvenient Hall at the rear of a shop and dwelling-house, No. 188, Kensington-park-road, near Archer-street. It is about 50 feet long by 15 feet 6 inches wide, having a gallery approached by an iron staircase around three of its sides, and will accommodate about 150 persons. The approach to the Hall is by a long passage-way, a portion of which passes under the upper floors of the house No. 188, Kensington-park-road, and there are no other means of exit. Your Committee, having had before them the Report of your Superintending Architect upon the subject, are of opinion that the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That a brick wall, 9 inches thick, be built under the wall on the West side of the passage-way leading to the Hall, and be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the house, No. 188, Kensington-park-road.

2.—That the door-way leading into the shop on the ground floor of No. 188, Kensington-park-road be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

3.—That so much of the first floor of the house, No. 188, Kensington-park-road, as extends over the entrance to the Hall, together with the roof over such entrance, be constructed of fire resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the dressing rooms under the stage be removed, or be properly lighted and ventilated to the satisfaction of the Board.

5.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by galvanised-iron wire guards, fixed upon the outside of such skylights.

6.—That handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase to the gallery.

7.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards.

Your Committee recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. B. Fletcher, M.P., on behalf of Mr. C. Zierenberg, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, in respect of the construction of the St. James's Temperance-hall, in Royal-road, Kennington-park, as shown on the amended Drawings accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 4th December last (No. 71). The Hall, which is in course of erection, is 76 feet long by 41 feet wide, will accommodate 900 persons, namely, 600 on the area level and 300 in the gallery. The floor of the Hall is 5 feet above the street, and underneath is a basement containing Committee and other rooms. The dressing-rooms under the platform will be enclosed with fire-resisting materials, and cisterns for fire-extinguishing purposes will be provided in the roof. Your Committee, upon examining the Drawings suggested to the applicant the desirability of carrying down to the basement certain of the columns supporting the gallery, and of constructing the external staircase on the Southern

side of the Hall, in accordance with the Board's Regulations. The applicant accordingly submitted, on the 29th ultimo, further Drawings embodying those suggestions; and, provided that suitable handrails be placed on the staircase, your Committee are of opinion that the erection of the Hall may receive the sanction of the Board. They therefore recommend—

That the application of Mr. B. Fletcher, M.P., on behalf of Mr. C. Zierenberg, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, in respect of the construction of the St. James's Temperance-hall, in Royal-road, Kennington-park, as shown on the amended Drawings accompanying the application, be granted, on condition that certain of the columns supporting the front of the gallery be carried down to the basement, and that the external staircase at the Southern side of the Hall be constructed of stone, as shown on the three further drawings accompanying Mr. Fletcher's Letter of the 29th January, 1886, and also on condition that the handrails of such external staircase be carried up to a height of 4 feet 6 inches from the level of the upper surface of the steps; and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the Hall, in accordance with the deposited drawings and the above conditions, to the satisfaction of the Board.

Your Committee beg to submit herewith three Reports which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under Magistrates' Orders at the premises therein mentioned, the same being Dangerous Structures, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrates to be done at the following premises, the same being Dangerous Structures, viz.—

No. 34, South-street, St. Marylebone.

„ 66, Wardour-street, St. Anne, Soho.

„ 168, Whitecross-street, St. Luke, Old-street.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration the Letter from Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor, relative to an iron pent roof recently erected in front of No. 234, Southwark-park-road, Bermondsey, without the consent of the Board, referred by the Board on the 30th October last (No. 47). The Board, on the 27th November last, instructed the Solicitor to take proceedings against the builder of the pent, and your Committee are informed that the iron roof, girders, and columns have been removed, and that a temporary blind has been erected in place thereof, upon old wooden posts. Your Committee agree with your Solicitor in thinking further proceedings unnecessary, and they recommend—

That no further action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Williams be so informed.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from Mr. T. Dakers, relative to the alleged defective construction of flues against the South party-wall of No. 5, Gordon-villas, Ravenshaw-road, Hampstead, referred by the Board on the 15th ultimo (No. 62). It appears that flues have been erected against a party structure, without a proper withe, at least 4 inches in thickness, as required by the Building Act. Your Solicitor is of opinion that proceedings should be taken by the District Surveyor before a Magistrate, and your Committee recommend—

That the substance of the Solicitor's Report on the subject be communicated to the District Surveyor, and that Mr. Dakers be informed of the course adopted.

The attention of your Committee has been directed by your Solicitor to the necessity for modifying the form of License at present in use with respect to temporary buildings, so as to include a reference to, and an identification of, the Plan which has been approved by the Board. Your Committee submit herewith a revised form of License, which contains an additional Clause framed with that object; and they recommend—

That it be approved and adopted by the Board.

Your Committee have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of Friday last (No. 72), referring to them the subject of the expiration of the several Licenses granted by the Board, for the erection and use of the following wood and iron buildings, viz.—a

School-room at the rear of No. 93 (late No. 60), Coningham-road, Shepherd's-bush ; Mission-room at the rear of premises in Evelyn-street, Deptford ; a Chapel in Verney-road, Rotherhithe, and a Studio in Berkeley-grove, Regent's-park. The Licenses expired about two months since, and your Superintending Architect reports that the buildings are still in use. Under these circumstances, your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve Notices under Section 12 of the Act of 1882, and to summon the Owners, if necessary.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from Mr. A. Moseley, District Surveyor for Fulham, relative to the commencement, by Mr. J. Rowe, Jun., of the erection of houses in a street 20 feet wide, with one entrance leading out of Margravine-road, without the approval of the Board, referred by the Board on the 16th October last (No. 52). Your Solicitor took out a Summons against the builder, for forming a way without the sanction of the Board, and also for not giving two entrances, and the case was heard at the Hammersmith Police-court on the 26th ultimo. The Magistrate dismissed the Summons on the ground that the road had not been laid out as a way, inasmuch as there was no road of defined width in front of the houses. The case was a difficult one, inasmuch as the houses are built upon a piece of Common land. Your Committee report the facts for the information of the Board, and recommend—

That a Cheque for £3 3s. be drawn for the costs allowed by the Magistrate at the hearing.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from the Vestry of Kensington, relative to the erection of buildings on the East side of Canning-passage, Victoria-road, within the statutory distance from the centre of such passage, referred by the Board on the 10th July last (No. 61). The Board, on the 24th July last, instructed the Solicitor to serve a Penal Notice, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary, against the builder. Your Committee have received a further Letter from the Vestry, stating that they have sanctioned an amended line for the railing on the East side of Canning-passage, on certain conditions, to which the builder has assented. The Vestry think it unnecessary that any further action should be taken, and your Committee, concurring in that view, recommend—

That the reference be discharged.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the application of Mr. E. V. Grose, on behalf of Mr. H. Ward, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Factory at the corner of Miller-street, Arlington-road, St. Pancras, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 61). On the 23rd December last the Board declined to sanction the erection of the Factory to the line then proposed. The present Plan shows that a narrow strip of ground is to be given up, so as to widen Miller-street from 18 to 21 feet. The Vestry of St. Pancras object to the application, and your Committee, having heard the parties interested, recommend—

That it be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. G. S. Harrison, on behalf of Mr. T. Slowman, for the permission of the Board to retain a two-storey bay-window, recently erected in front of No. 5, Jardin-street, Camberwell, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 44). In connection with the application, your Committee have also considered the Letter on the subject from Mr. A. R. Stenning, District Surveyor, referred by the Board on the 8th ultimo (No. 48). Jardin-street appears to be of the full width, and there is a forecourt 8 feet deep in front of the house. The bay projects 2 feet 6 inches beyond the main wall of the house, and is similar in every respect to the neighbouring bay-windows, which were approved by the Board in October last. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection be in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any

time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of the Board, and that Mr. Stenning the District Surveyor, be so informed.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. H. E. Milner, on behalf of Dr. D. H. Watney, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and names of new roads on the Down Estate, High-street, Wandsworth, referred by the Board on the 15th ultimo (No. 54). The Board on the 27th November last declined to sanction the formation of new roads on the Estate. The amended Plans show the roads and bridges made 45 feet in width, and the latter strengthened to the satisfaction of your Engineer. As a precaution against floods, the roads have been planned to a minimum height of 20 feet above Ordnance datum. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the roads, and that the names “Broomhill-road, S.W.,” “Buckhold-road, S.W.,” “Lambden-road, S.W.,” and “Mapleton-road, S.W.,” be approved for the same.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Messrs. Masters and Sons, on behalf of Mr. H. Phillips, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 24, Collier-street, Pentonville, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 46). It is proposed to re-construct the premises, and to extend the shop to the line of the forecourts, the part beyond the main wall of the houses being one-storey in height. Several adjoining houses have been erected to the proposed line. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted upon condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 5th instant, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. G. Sherrin, on behalf of Mr. J. B. Carrington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a conservatory at premises at the corner of Nutley-terrace, and Netherhall-terrace, Fitzjohn’s-avenue, Hampstead, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 47). The conservatory will project 15 feet beyond the flank wall of the house and the ground line of houses in Netherhall-terrace. The road-way is 40 feet in width, and the Vestry of Hampstead do not object to the proposal. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months, from the 5th instant, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Gardiner, Son and Theobald, on behalf of Messrs. Meux and Company, Limited, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the “Thatched House” Public-house, in Essex-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 50). The Board on the 11th December last declined to give their consent to the erection of the building to the line then proposed. The applicants state that they have endeavoured to comply with the views of the Vestry, and they now propose to give up more land in Astey’s-row to pave the forecourt level with the path in Essex-road. The Vestry of Islington do not object to the present application. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the re-erection of the building therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 5th instant; that the land coloured Blue on the Plan be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. F. Edwards, on behalf of the Lion Brewery Company, Limited, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the "Fishmongers' Arms" Public-house, in St. George's-road, Southwark, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 53). The land, colored Pink, containing an area of 66 feet 9 inches is proposed to be taken from the public way, and the land colored Blue, containing an area of 40 feet 6 inches, will be given up to the public. Your Committee do not consider this an advantageous arrangement, as the line of frontage between Newington-butts and Temple-street will be broken, and the frontage of the Public-house will be irregular, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. H. Lafone, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a warehouse on the North-West side of Thomas-street, Horselydown, Southwark, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 56). The present width of Thomas-street, between the fronts of the houses opposite the applicant's premises is 33 feet 9 inches, and if the warehouse be erected as proposed, the average width will be reduced to 31 feet. Your Committee consider the proposal objectionable, and recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. E. Yates, for approval by the Board of the erection of houses on the West side of Gaywood-street, Southwark, with open spaces at the rear thereof, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 65). The applicant proposes to pull down some of the houses in the street, and to widen it by giving up to the public way the part coloured Blue on the Plan submitted. He states, however, that there will be a difficulty in obtaining the necessary area at the rear of four of the new houses, possession of the ground coloured Yellow on the Plan submitted not falling in until 1888. Your Committee do not consider it desirable that the present Plan should be sanctioned, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. P. Hunter, District Surveyor for Lower Norwood, asking the Board, under the circumstances mentioned in his Letter, that his District might be re-named "West Norwood," referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 68). Mr. Hunter states that an arrangement has been made by owners of property and tradesmen at Lower Norwood with the Post Office authorities and the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Company to call the locality "West Norwood." Your Committee, however, deem it inexpedient to alter the name of the District, and they recommend—

That Mr. Hunter be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the Board are unable to comply with his request.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 55), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. H. Vulliamy, on behalf of Mr. Willoughby, for the consent of the Board to the erection of ten one-storey shops on the forecourts of houses in Bushey-hill-terrace, Peckham-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. It is intended to erect to a line about 25 feet in advance of the main wall of the Terrace one-storey shops which will be considerably in advance of the private houses adjoining, both to the East and West, the strip of land intervening between the proposed shops and the existing pavement being given up to the public. The Vestry of Camberwell and the adjoining owners object. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

In pursuance of the reference by the Board of Friday last (No. 56) your Committee have considered the application of Mr. M. Davis, for the consent of the Board to the re-

erection of Nos. 1 and 2, North-street, Pentonville, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. It is proposed to extend the premises by re-erecting them up to the line of forecourts. There are no projections to the extent shown by the applicant within some distance of his premises. Your Committee, having regard to the narrowness of the pathway at this point, consider the proposal objectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. C. J. C. Pawley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four one-storey shops upon land adjacent to the South-Eastern Railway Station in the Greenwich-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 58). The shops front partly on the Station-yard, and partly on the Greenwich-road, and will be kept back to a line 5 feet from the pavement. The Greenwich District Board consider the proposal most objectionable, and your Committee agreeing with that opinion recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 66), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. J. J. Downes, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the erection of buildings on the West side of Combe-farm-lane, Blackheath, in the position and to the line shown thereon. The Plan now submitted agrees with one which the Board, in June, 1882, approved conditionally, on the surrender of certain land to the public way, so far as regards the frontage of the eight shops erected at the Southern end of the land. The applicant, however, proposes to take the frontage line straight from the eighth shop to the corner of the first road leading out of Combe-farm-lane, instead of the broken line of frontage which was previously approved. The Greenwich District Board object to the proposal. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. J. Stevenson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of two stables, with living rooms over the same, in Clabon-mews, Cadogan-square, Chelsea, with open spaces at the rear thereof, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 68). The frontage of the buildings measures 24 feet in each case, and the Amendment Act requires an area of 300 superficial feet to be left at the rear above the ground floor. The space at the rear, as shown on the Plan, is much less, and does not extend across the entire width of the building, as required by the Act. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 73), referred to your Committee the application of Messrs. Leoni and Co., for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected at the rear of No. 54, St. Paul-street, New North-road, Islington. The Board first approved the building in July, 1879, and have extended the License from time to time, the last occasion being for a period of two years from December, 1883. The District Surveyor states that he considers the building to be in a fit state for use for a further period of Two years. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, for a period of Two years from the 5th instant, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W^m. SHEPHERD.

The revised form of License, with respect to temporary buildings, submitted with the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Selway, and ~~resolved~~—That the Solicitor be authorised to retain Mr. Besley as Counsel, on behalf of the Board, in the proceedings which the Board on the 22nd ultimo, (No. 8), directed should be taken against the person or persons who are keeping open the Portland Hall, formerly the Portland Bazaar, Langham-place, St. Marylebone, as a place of public entertainment, without the Certificate of the Board.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That, inasmuch as the License granted by the Court of Quarter Sessions of Middlesex, for the Beaumont Literary and Philosophical Institution, in Beaumont-square, Mile-end, has been revoked, pursuant to Section 3 of the Act 25th Geo. II., cap. 36, and an entry to that effect has been made on the License by the Clerk of the Peace, the reference to the Committee with regard to remedying the structural defects of the building be discharged.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary legal proceedings against the owner of the Eagle Tavern, Music-hall, in the City-road, to enforce compliance with the Board's requisitions for remedying the structural defects of the building.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application of Mr. J. Edmeston, on behalf of the National Agricultural Hall Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a proposed alteration in the position of the staircases of the large Hall of the National Agricultural Hall, adjoining the Kensington (Addison-road) Railway Station, Hammersmith, be granted.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That so much of the Report as relates to Neumeyer-hall in Hart-street, Bloomsbury, be approved, and that, with a view to remedying the structural defects of the building, a revised Notice, containing the following Requisitions, be served upon the Owner thereof—

1.—That so much of the floors of the rooms on the first floor of Bloomsbury Mansion as extend over the entrance to the Hall, leading out of Hart-street, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

2.—That the floor of the Hall, together with the floors of the two retiring rooms and the lobby, and of the two ante-rooms at the North-West angle of the premises, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

3.—That the spiral staircase leading from the show-room on the ground-floor to the retiring-room on the West side of the Hall, be removed, and the flooring of the retiring-room made good with fire-resisting materials.

4.—That the public staircase on the South side of the Hall be pulled down, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place, in accordance with the drawings submitted by Mr. J. D. Mathews, and signed by the Chairman of the Committee; that such new staircase do have spandril steps of York, or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet wide in the clear, with the necessary intermediate landing; that the steps be supported at both ends; that the intermediate landing of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported upon all sides by brick walls, not less than 9 inches thick; that the landing at the head of such staircase be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor; and that the lower flight of the stairs do have two iron standards bolted to the floor and the ceiling, and an additional iron handrail secured to the same, at a height of 5 feet from the level of the upper surface of the steps.

5.—That the window on the South side of the staircase-hall be stopped up with brickwork 14 inches thick.

6.—That the staircase at the North-West angle of the Hall premises, leading into Pied Bull-yard, be pulled down, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place, in accordance with the drawings submitted by Mr. J. D. Mathews, and signed by the Chairman of the Committee; that the lower flight of such new staircase do have solid square steps, and that the upper flights do have spandril steps, of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6 inch risers, 4 feet wide in the clear, in flights of not more than twelve steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported on the outer edge partly by a brick wall 9 inches thick, and partly by iron bearers; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet wide and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landing at the head of such staircase be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor; that the lower flight of the stairs do have four iron standards bolted to the steps and the ceiling, and an additional iron handrail secured to the same at a height of 5 feet from the level of the upper surface of the steps; and that a bulk-head be formed over such staircase, enclosed at the sides with half brickwork in cement, and with a roof formed of concrete on iron bearers.

7.—That the doorway at the North-West angle of the Hall be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, or as far as practicable.

8.—That the skylights over the show-rooms on the ground-floor, be protected by galvanized iron wire guards.

9.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the two staircases.

10.—That all doors used by the public be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application of Mr. J. W. Brooker, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Moore, Jun., for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed Music-hall to be erected at the rear of the "Royal Standard" Public-house, in York-road, Battersea, as shown upon the amended Drawings submitted by the applicant on the 23rd January, 1886, be granted, on condition that the opening between the entrance to the gallery and the Eastern corridor be bricked up; that the said Drawings be approved; and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the building, in accordance with such Drawings and the above condition, to the satisfaction of the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Britannia (late Bijou) Music-hall, No. 58, Blackfriars-road, Southwark (Christchurch), and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878, be approved, and that in the opinion of the Board the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That an entrance passage-way, 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the Hall through the bar of the Public-house; that such passage be enclosed upon

all sides by brickwork or other fire-resisting materials, to be approved by the Board, and that no openings be formed between such passage and the bar of the Public-house.

2.—That a brick wall, 14 inches thick, be built at the Eastern end of the Hall, on the ground floor, in a line with the back wall of the Public-house, to separate the Hall from the Public-house; that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey, and that not more than one opening, not exceeding 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall for access to the Music-hall.

3.—That the floor of the Music-hall be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the dressing-rooms under the stage be removed, or be properly lighted and ventilated to the satisfaction of the Board.

5.—That the staircase to the balcony be removed, and that a new staircase be provided to the same; that such new staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 3 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 3 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or be constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

6.—That the window of the kitchen of the Public-house on the first floor, overlooking the balcony of the Hall, be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

7.—That the floor of the scullery of the Public-house, which extends over a portion of the Hall at the South-East angle, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

8.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by galvanised iron wire guards fixed on the outside of such skylights.

9.—That handrails be fixed on both sides of the balcony staircase.

10.—That all door-ways used by the public be made not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide, and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Eyre Arms Assembly Rooms, Nos. 1 and 3, Finchley-road, St. Marylebone, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878, be approved; and that, in the opinion

of the Board, the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That the staircase to the Assembly Rooms at the South-West angle of the premises be pulled down, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place; that such new staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps, of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

2.—That the floor of the lobby at the foot of such staircase be constructed of iron joists and concrete, or of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

3.—That the staircase at the South-East angle of the premises be pulled down, together with the lavatories adjoining, and that a new staircase be constructed on the site of such staircase and lavatories adjoining; that such new staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps, of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the floor of the lobby at the foot of the staircase last described be constructed of iron and concrete, or other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

5.—That the two openings in the North wall of the staircase at the South-East angle of the premises be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

6.—That the floor of the Assembly room, and of the refreshment bar adjoining, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

7.—That the floors of the rooms on the first floor of the “Eyre Arms” Public-house, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

8.—That the lower part of the windows on the North and West sides of the Assembly room be protected by wrought-iron guard-bars to a height of 6 feet from the floor.

9.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircases at the South-East and South-West angles of the Assembly room.

10.—That the skylights over the Assembly room refreshment bar be protected by a galvanized-iron wire guard fixed on the outside.

11.—That all doors used by the public be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly, or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Griffin Music-hall, No. 99, Shoreditch High-street, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878, be approved, and that, in the opinion of the Board, the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That an entrance passage, not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the Hall through the bar of the Griffin Public-house; that such passage be separated from the Public-house by a brick wall, 9 inches thick, without openings, and that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the Public-house; that the floor of such passage be formed of brick arches 9 inches thick, or of concrete on wrought-iron joists; and that such passage do have a ceiling of concrete 6 inches thick on wrought-iron joists.

2.—That a brick wall, 9 inches thick, be built at the Western end of the Hall, to separate the Hall from the Public-house adjoining; that such wall be carried down to the basement of the Public-house, and be carried up to a height of 3 feet above the flat roof of the Music-hall; and that not more than one opening, not exceeding 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall, on the ground floor level, for access to the Music-hall.

3.—That the staircase leading from the Hall to the rooms on the first floor of the Public-house be removed.

4.—That the doorway in the North wall of the Music-hall, leading into Jane-Shore-court, be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, and that an additional step be formed to such door-way as enlarged.

5.—That the doors to the Hall be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Kensington Hall, in Kensington-park-road, Notting-hill, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878, be approved, and that, in the opinion of the Board, the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That a brick wall, 9 inches thick, be built under the wall on the West side of the passageway leading to the Hall, and be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the house, No. 188, Kensington-park-road.

2.—That the doorway leading into the shop on the ground floor of No. 188, Kensington-park-road, be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

3.—That so much of the first floor of the house, No. 188, Kensington-park-road, as extends over the entrance to the Hall, together with the roof over such entrance, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the dressing rooms under the stage be removed, or be properly lighted and ventilated to the satisfaction of the Board.

5.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by galvanized-iron wire guards, fixed upon the outside of such skylights.

6.—That handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase to the gallery.

7.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. B. Fletcher, M.P., on behalf of Mr. C. Zierenberg, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, in respect of the construction of the St. James's Temperance-hall, in Royal-road, Kennington-park, as shown on the amended Drawings accompanying the application, be granted, on condition that certain of the columns supporting the front of the gallery be carried down to the basement, and that the external staircase at the Southern side of the Hall be constructed of stone, as shown on the three further Drawings accompanying Mr. Fletcher's Letter of the 29th January, 1886, and also on condition that the handrails of such external staircase be carried up to a height of 4 feet 6 inches from the level of the upper surface of the steps; and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the Hall, in accordance with the deposited Drawings and the above conditions, to the satisfaction of the Board.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner and the Occupier of the Structure, No. 34, South-street, St. Marylebone, had failed to comply with the Orders made by James Smith Mansfield, Esquire, and Alfred De Rutzen, Esquire, two of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Marylebone Police-court, on the 22nd day of October last, and the 4th day of November last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby *resolved* and *ordered*, on the *motion* of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the back front and the back chimney stack of the structure, No. 34, South-street, Marylebone, as low as they are cracked or not upright.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 66, Wardour-street, St. Anne, Soho, had failed to comply with the Order made by Robert Milnes Newton, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Marlborough-street Police-court, on the 19th day of October last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the bulged and defective parapets of the back addition to the house, No. 66, Wardour-street, St. Anne, Soho, and the defective and cracked brickwork at the junction of the North party-wall with the front wall of the same.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner and Occupier of the Structure, No. 168, Whitecross-street, St. Luke, Old-street, had failed to comply with the Order made by John Hosack, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Clerkenwell Police-court, on the 30th day of June last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the front and flank walls of the house, No. 168, Whitecross-street, St. Luke, Old-street, where the same are fractured, bulged, defective, or out of the perpendicular.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That no further action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor, relative to an iron pent roof recently erected in front of No. 234, Southwark-park-road, Bermondsey, without the consent of the Board, and that Mr. Williams be so informed.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. T. Dakers, relative to the alleged defective construction of flues against the South party-wall of No. 5, Gordon-villas, Ravenshaw-road, Hampstead, be approved; that the substance of the Solicitor's Report on the subject be communicated to the District Surveyor, and that Mr. Dakers be informed of the course adopted.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the revised form of License now submitted, with respect to temporary buildings, be approved and adopted.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Solicitor be instructed to serve Notices under Section 12 of the Act of 1882, and, if necessary, summon the Owners of the following wood and iron buildings, the Licenses for which have expired :—Schoolroom at the rear of No. 93 (late No. 60), Coningham-road, Shepherd's-bush; Mission-room at the rear of premises in Evelyn-street, Deptford; Chapel in Verney-road, Rotherhithe; and a Studio in Berkeley-grove, Regent's-park.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the proceedings taken on the Letter from Mr. A. Moseley, District Surveyor, relative to the commencement by Mr. J. Rowe, Jun., of the erection of houses in a street 20 feet wide, leading out of Margravine-road, without the approval of the Board, be received; and that a Cheque for £3 3s. be drawn for the costs allowed by the Magistrate at the hearing of the Summons.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That, inasmuch as the Vestry of Kensington are not now desirous that any action should be taken, relative to the erection of buildings on the East side of Canning-passage, Victoria-road, the reference be discharged.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. E. V. Grose, on behalf of Mr. H. Ward, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Factory at the corner of Miller-street, Arlington-road, St. Pancras, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. G. S. Harrison, on behalf of Mr. T. Slowman, for the permission of the Board to retain a two-storey bay-window, recently erected in front of No. 5, Jardin-street, Camberwell, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection be in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of the Board, and that Mr. Stenning, the District Surveyor, be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. E. Milner, on behalf of Dr. D. H. Watney, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and names of new roads on the Down Estate, High-street, Wandsworth, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names “Broomhill-road, S.W.,” “Buckhold-road, S.W.,” “Lambden-road, S.W.,” and “Mapleton-road, S.W.,” be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Masters and Sons, on behalf of Mr. H. Phillips, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 24, Collier-street, Pentonville, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. G. Sherrin, on behalf of Mr. J. B. Carrington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a conservatory at premises at the corner of Nutley-terrace and Netherhall-terrace, Fitzjohn’s-avenue, Hampstead, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs Gardiner, Son and Theobald, on behalf of Messrs. Meux and Company, Limited, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the “Thatched House” Public-house, in Essex-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the re-erection of the building therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date; that the land coloured Blue on the Plan be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the re-erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. F. Edwards, on behalf of the Lion Brewery Company, Limited, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the “Fishmongers’ Arms” Public-house in St. George’s-road, Southwark, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. Lafone, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a warehouse on the North-West side of Thomas-street, Horselydown, Southwark, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. E. Yates, for approval by the Board of the erection of houses on the West side of Gaywood-street, Southwark, with open spaces at the rear thereof, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. P. Hunter, District Surveyor for Lower Norwood, be informed in reply to his Letter asking that his District might be re-named “West Norwood,” that the Board are unable to comply with his request.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. Vulliamy, on behalf of Mr. Willoughby, for the consent of the Board to the erection of ten one-storey shops on the forecourts of houses in Bushey-hill-terrace, Peckham-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. M. Davis, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of Nos. 1 and 2, North-street, Pentonville, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. C. J. C. Pawley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four one-storey shops upon land adjacent to the South-Eastern Railway Station in Greenwich-road, Greenwich, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. J. Downes, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the erection of buildings on the West side of Combe Farm-lane, Blackheath, in the position and to the line shown thereon, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. J. Stevenson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of two stables, with living rooms over the same, in Clabon-mews, Cadogan-square, Chelsea, with spaces at the rear of less area than is required by the Act, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Leoni and Co., for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected at the rear of No. 54, St. Paul-street, New North-road, Islington, be granted, for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th February, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
WANDSWORTH.				
Buckhold, Broomhill, Mapleton, Lambden and Brathway Roads, Down Estate 	} 900 4,266	3' 6" × 2' 0" 18 inch	Brick Pipe	} Recommended as applied for.
POPLAR.				
High-street, Bromley ...	250	12-inch	Pipe.	Recommended as applied for.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the said District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th February, 1886, on applications from the following District Board and Vestry, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of Applications	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
HOLBORN.					
1886. 28th Jan.	Lamb's Conduit-street ...	Re-paving	5 weeks	5 weeks	Great James, &c., Streets
HAMPSTEAD.					
1st Feb.	Abbey - road, between Springfield and Boundary Roads.	Paving crossing	1 week	1 week	Belgrave, &c., Roads.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said District Board and Vestry, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

13. The Engineer presented a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department,
Spring-gardens,
1st February, 1886.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE SEVERAL SPECIAL CONTRACT WORKS.

Holloway and Northern High Level Sewers Relief Lines.—Mr. W. Rigby, Contractor.—A length of about 11,000 feet of brick sewers, varying in diameter from 7 feet to 5 feet 6 inches, has been constructed, at an estimated cost, with other works in connection therewith, of £39,000, of which about £4,900 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. T. Panter, G. Larkin, T. Wighton, J. Driffield, J. Boyden, W. Grimwood, and W. Jennings, at a weekly cost of £22 1s.

Queen's-road, Dalston, &c., Sewer.—Messrs. Nowell and Robson, Contractors.—A length of about 5,760 feet of brick Sewer, varying in size from 5 feet by 4 feet to 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches egg shape, is complete, at an estimated cost, with other works in connection therewith, of £12,700, of which about £1,000 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. J. Carter, J. Lake, and J. Pope, at a weekly cost of £9 9s.

Clapham to Putney Relief Sewers.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The main line of sewer from the "Bedford Arms" Public-house, Clapham, to Roehampton-lane, Putney, and five out of the six branch sewers have been completed, with the exception of the shafts, connections, and minor works, and the aqueduct crossing the Wandle valley, which, with the branch sewer at Putney boundary, are in progress. The approximate value of the work done is about £131,000. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. C. Bedloe, R. Lynn, and J. Judd, at a weekly cost of £9 9s.

Putney (new) Bridge.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The four piers and the two abutments have been constructed up to the formation level of the road-way. The five granite arches have been constructed, the spandrel ashlar and brickwork have been built up to the formation level of the Bridge road-way, and the cornices and parapets are being fixed. The construction of the road-way approaches at the Fulham and Putney extremities of the Bridge, together with the parapet and retaining walls thereto, is well advanced. The total approximate value of permanent work executed is about £208,500 (which amount includes the value of materials delivered and accepted), of which about £1,500 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. A. Boag and J. Gooding, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Hammersmith Bridge.—Messrs. Dixon, Appleby, and Thorne, Contractors.—The temporary Bridge has been completed and opened for traffic since April last. The whole of the road metalling, the planking of the carriage and footways, the cross girders, and the suspension rods of the old Bridge have been removed. The temporary chains for the erection of the permanent link chains have been raised to the required positions. The masonry of the Northern and Southern pier towers has been demolished to the levels of the key-stones of the tower arches. The coffer dam for the underpinning of the Surrey pier has been completed. The

excavations for the Northern and Southern abutments of the new structure have also been completed, and the concrete is being filled into them. The anchor abutment castings, steel anchor forgings, and abutment saddles have been fixed. Some portions of the wrought-iron towers, the new cross girders, the steel pins and nuts for the new chains, and the cut-water pier castings have been manufactured. The total approximate value of permanent work (which includes ironwork delivered) is about £34,500, of which about £500 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. T. M. Carey, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

Battersea Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., the Contractors for the execution of the works comprised in the construction of the temporary foot-bridge, and the removal of the old structure, have completed the temporary Bridge. The old Bridge is undergoing demolition, the large timber trusses which spanned the navigable openings, have been removed, and the piling is being drawn. The total approximate value of work executed is about £7,000. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. P. Sharpe, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, and be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. H. Eaton, Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, applying for permission to suspend an additional cable in the Board's Subways, from Queen Victoria-street (opposite Lambeth-hill) to Westminster Bridge; stating that it was proposed to carry the additional telegraph cable on the existing supports in the Subways, and recommending that the application should be granted, upon conditions similar to those under which the Board had permitted the present cables to be placed in the Subways, viz., that the work should be carried out, and any damage that might be done in its execution, made good under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the proper Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Post Office authorities, and that the cable should be removed within three months of the receipt of a notice from the Board to that effect.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the application be granted, on the conditions recommended.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th February, 1886, stating that Mr. W. E. W. Crane, a Constructive Draughtsman in his Department, had recently died.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th February, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal were required for use at the undermentioned Pumping Stations—

<i>Deptford Station.</i>					ESTIMATE.
300 Tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	£271 5 0
300 „ Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	196 5 0
<i>Western Station.</i>					
80 Tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	72 6 8
80 „ Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	56 6 8
Total	...	...	...	...	£596 3 4

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th February, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contracts—

						ESTIMATE.
Filling up a portion of the old disused Main Sewer, and connecting drains with the new Sewer near the "Swiss Cottage," in Finchley-road ...	...	...	...	...	...	£75 0 0
Repairing the side-entrance and Sewer opposite the new College in Finchley-road ...	...	...	...	...	...	35 0 0
Repairs to the Board's private road from Plumstead to the Crossness Pumping Station ...	...	...	...	...	...	75 0 0
Total	...	...	...	...	...	<u>£185 0 0</u>

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th February, 1886, stating that during the past quarter certain urgent works of repair to the brickwork of the boiler furnaces at the Abbey-mills Pumping Station had been executed by the Board's General Contractors, at a cost of £43 3s., and asking the sanction of the Board thereto.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the execution of the works referred to be sanctioned, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th February, 1886, on a Letter from the Rev. C. E. T. Roberts, asking the Board to compensate Mr. Dawdry, No. 352, Hackney-road, for the alleged loss of business sustained by him during the execution of the Board's Sewerage works in front of his shop; stating that the new Sewer had been constructed in the road past Mr. Dawdry's and other premises; that, for the purpose of properly fencing off the works, and protecting the public, a hoarding had been erected at the side of the road-way, but that ample space had been left along the foot-way for the public traffic, and that everything had been done by the Contractors to lessen, as much as possible, the temporary inconvenience to the residents and others; that the Board had invariably declined to admit their liability for claims of that description, and recommending that the present application should be similarly dealt with.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Board deny any liability in respect of the claim.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th February, 1886, stating that the Board, in April last, had granted a pension to George Fernley, Flap-keeper, in consequence of his having become incapacitated for further service; that the Flaps to which he had attended were placed in the temporary charge of Robert Hooper, who had previously been in the employ of the Board as a grating-cleaner, and that Hooper had given every satisfaction in the performance of his duties; and recommending that he should be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, as a Flap-keeper at the same salary as was paid to Fernley, viz., £80 per annum.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Robert Hooper be appointed as a Flap-keeper, during the pleasure of the Board, at a salary of £80 per annum.

21. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill, 1886, had been introduced into the House of Commons by the Chairman of the Board and Sir Robert Fowler on the 1st instant.

22. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been appointed for the 17th instant; that the second reading of the Board's

(Water Supply, &c.) Bill had been appointed for the 24th instant; that the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill had been appointed for the 17th March next; and that the second reading of the Board's (Keeping of Firewood) Bill had been appointed for the 9th June next, and that Mr. Bartley, M.P., had given notice to move that the Bill be read a second time on that day six months.

23. The Solicitor reported that the Hyde-park-corner (New Streets) Bill, to provide for the maintenance of the new streets at Hyde-park-corner, had not yet been introduced into the House of Commons.
24. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill, (Mr. Dixon Hartland), had been appointed for this evening, but that as the House had been adjourned it could not be taken.
25. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Sanitation of Houses Bill had been appointed for the 19th May next; that the second reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 1) Bill, had been appointed for the 17th instant; that the second reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill, had been appointed for the 10th March next; and that the second reading of the Land Purchase Facilities Bill had been appointed for the 7th July next.
26. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

27. The Solicitor reported that several Bills in which the Board were interested had been introduced and read a first time in the House of Commons.
28. The Solicitor presented for sealing Five Leases to Messrs. Sage and Oxley, of Plots Nos. 14 to 18, Gray's-inn-road, in the line of the Gray's-inn-road Improvement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Leases; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

29. The Solicitor presented a copy Writ which had been issued against the Board at the suit of Mr. Paul D'Humy, in connexion with the works for the new street from Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road, and stated that he would appear to the Writ in due course; and he suggested that the action should be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with power to act.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

30. The Solicitor reported that, in accordance with the instruction given to him by the Building Act Committee, he had attended at the inquest relative to the falling of houses in course of demolition in Holloway-road, on Saturday last, and that the Jury had, in a rider to their verdict, recommended that the Board should procure powers so that District Surveyors should have control over the pulling down of old houses as well as the erection of new ones.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the subject be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

31. The Solicitor reported that it was necessary that the Board should draw a Cheque for £500 in favour of the Woolwich Local Board, for the purchase of their gravel-digging rights in Plumstead-common, to enable him to complete the purchase under Section 54 of this Board's Various Powers Act, 1885.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for £500 be now drawn in favour of the Woolwich Local Board of Health; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

32. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 29th ultimo (No. 12), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Woodland-hill, &c. ...	...	...	Lambeth
George-street, St. Paul, Deptford	...	...	Greenwich
Nile-street, &c. Do.	...	...	Do.
Seymour-street, &c. Do.	...	...	Do.
Collingwood-street, Christchurch	...	...	St. Saviour's, Southwark
Wellington-street ...	...	...	Hackney

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

33. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Homerton, E.,
28th January, 1886.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by the Guardians of the Hackney Union to acknowledge the receipt of the Letter of the Accountant of your Board under date the 16th instant, and to apply for a Loan of £13,300 at 3½ per cent. interest, payable quarterly.

The amount is required to redeem certain Loans due from the Guardians to the Public Works Loan Commissioners.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JNO. GODWIN,
Clerk.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

34. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Homerton, E.,
28th January, 1886.

GENTLEMEN—I am directed by the Guardians of the Hackney Union, to acknowledge the receipt of the Letter of the Accountant of your Board, under date the 16th instant, and to apply for a Loan of £4,300, to be repaid within a period of Thirty years, with interest at the rate of 3½ per cent., payable quarterly upon the balance remaining unpaid.

The money is required to pay the Guardians of the Parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, the share of their interest in the Brentwood Schools as directed by an Order of the Local Government Board.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JNO. GODWIN,
Clerk.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

35. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. C. Harding, Clerk to the Vestry of Kensington, dated 29th January, 1886, stating that the Vestry had decided to petition Parliament against the South Kensington, Knightsbridge and Marble Arch Subways Scheme, and asking the Board to refuse their sanction to the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry be informed that the Board have decided to petition against the Bill.

36. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. E. Salway, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 29th January, 1886, stating that the Vestry had, in reply to the request of the Home Secretary, to be furnished with the Vestry's observations with regard to Clause 4 of the Hampstead-heath Enlargement Bill, 1886, passed a Resolution to the effect that they did not concur in the terms of the Clause, and that the Board should be requested to make a contribution on behalf of the united Parishes of London.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

37. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Wilkins, Clerk to the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, dated 30th January, 1886, with regard to the Board's Bill for regulating the keeping of Firewood, expressing the opinion of the Vestry that the Board should have some controlling power with regard to the stacking of Firewood.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Bonthron, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

38. The Clerk laid before the Board a Letter from Mr. J. J. Stokes, Clerk to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, dated 30th January 1886, transmitting a copy of a Resolution of the Vestry disapproving of the Board's Bill, relative to the stacking of Firewood.

It was *moved* by Mr. Tolhurst, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. W. Allen, dated 30th January, 1886, again calling attention to the injury done to Tooting-common by horse-riding thereon, and asking that early steps might be taken to place the Common upon the same footing as Clapham-common with regard to horse-riding.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

40. The Clerk presented Letters and a Memorial, as follows—

Letter from Messrs. Hicklin, Washington and Pasmore, dated 2nd February, 1886, transmitting a Petition signed by owners and occupiers of houses in opposition to the Tramways proposed by the North London Tramways Bill.

Letter from Messrs. Hicklin, Washington and Pasmore, dated 2nd February, 1886, transmitting a Petition signed by owners and occupiers of houses in High-street and Chalk-farm-road in opposition to the London Street Tramways Extension Bill.

Memorial from owners or occupiers of houses in Adelaide-road in opposition to a Tramway along Adelaide-road.

Letters from Mr. W. L. Howard, dated 2nd February, 1886, and Mr. O. Bonnor, dated 2nd February, 1886, forwarding Petitions signed by owners and occupiers of houses in Harrow-road and Chippenham-road, in opposition to a Tramway being laid in that road, as proposed by the Cricklewood, Kilburn, and Harrow-road Tramway Bill.

Letter from Mr. T. W. Cook, dated 2nd February, 1886, forwarding a Petition from frontagers in opposition to the Bill of the North Metropolitan Tramways Company for a Tramway in Commercial-street and Leman-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letters and Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which they relate.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Hewes, Hewes and Geary, dated 2nd February, 1886, calling attention to Hewes's patent for utilising all waste, refuse, and sewage, from which they could produce an effective precipitant, entirely doing away with the use of lime, the process being simply carbonisation, and asking to be allowed to put up apparatus at the Board's works free of charge, the Board providing room, labour and firing, and the Board agreeing to take up the system in the event of its proving successful, and offering to attend or furnish further information.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. E. Duckham, Engineer of the Millwall Docks Company, dated 1st February, 1886, referring to his offer to provide Steamers and convey Sewage Sludge from the Main Drainage Outfalls to sea, and forwarding papers illustrating the process.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Jones, Clerk to the Fulham District Board, dated 1st February, 1886, acknowledging the receipt of a copy of the Report of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee of this Board as to the cleansing and ventilation of Sewers, and asking to be supplied with 50 additional copies thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That six copies of the Report be sent to the District Board.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. M. Elborough, Town Clerk of Croydon, dated 3rd February, 1886, asking to be furnished with a copy of the Report on the cleansing and ventilation of Sewers, and enquiring whether the Board had any objection to its being reprinted and circulated amongst the Members of the Town Council.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a copy of the Report be sent to the Croydon Town Council, and that the Council be informed that the Board have no objection to the reprinting and circulation of the Report on the understanding that it is for the use of the Council only.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Whale, Clerk to the Plumstead District Board, dated 29th January, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Letter addressed to the Home Secretary and the Commissioner of Police, on the subject of the supervision and control of Costermongers trading in the public streets, and requesting this Board to use their influence to induce those authorities to take such measures as might be necessary to prevent obstruction of the public streets of the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

46. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. H. Gover and Son, dated 3rd February, 1886, appealing against the decision of the Board with respect to the structural defects of the Lecture-hall at Royal-hill, Greenwich.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. F. Kite, on behalf of his client, Mr. J. R. Roberts, dated 3rd February, 1886, transmitting a copy of correspondence respecting a house which had been erected, or was in course of erection in Collingham-road, at the corner of Harrington-gardens, Kensington, and enquiring what steps could be taken to enforce the carrying into effect the Superintending Architect's decision as regards the general line of frontage.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred

to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. Bayley, Clerk to the St. Olave District Board, dated 3rd February, 1886, with a copy of a Resolution of that Board, asking this Board to strenuously oppose the Clauses of the South-Eastern Railway Company (Various Powers) Bill, for a further extension of time for the acquisition of property and the execution of works already authorised.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

St. Luke's Vestry.

Vestry-hall, City-road, E.C.,

3rd February, 1886.

SIR,—The St. Luke's Vestry are about to carry out the works of sewerage in Old-street, indicated on the drawings and in the manner mentioned in the Letter, dated 2nd February instant, addressed to me by Mr. Alfred Allen, Jun., the Surveyor to the Vestry, enclosed herewith, and at an estimated cost of £1,700.

The Vestry have instructed me to enquire whether the Metropolitan Board of Works will advance to them the sum required on loan, re-payable within a period of Thirty years.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) G. W. PRESTON,

Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. A. B. C. Bellamy, Clerk to the Vestry of Streatham, dated 3rd February, 1886, referring to the Board's Letter of the 28th February, 1884, with reference to the Petition of the inhabitants of Streatham for increased protection of life and property from fire, and asking the Board to provide a Fire-escape to be stationed in the neighbourhood of St. Leonard's Church, pending the further provision of an Engine and Station.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration and report.

51. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. Armstrong, dated 4th February, 1886, stating that he had overlooked the Advertisement inviting designs for the Sludge steamer; and asking to be allowed to submit his plan of a "combined tank and cargo" steamer for inspection.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Armstrong be informed that as the time fixed for sending in Designs has expired the Board are unable to receive those prepared by him.

52. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of St. Marylebone.

Guardians' Offices, Northumberland-street, W.,

4th February, 1886.

SIR,—On the 25th August, 1876, the Guardians of this Parish borrowed the sum of £15,000, to defray the cost of the completion of the Northumberland-street frontage of the Workhouse, this Loan was repayable by equal half-yearly instalments, reckoning principal and interest together, in thirty years. In consequence, however, of some portion of the work not being carried out, and from other causes, the whole of the Loan has not been expended, and there remains at the present time a balance of £2,478 17s. 10d. in hand. The Local Government Board were asked to sanction this amount being expended in the erection of accommodation

for the reception of aged married couples, inmates of the Workhouse, but the Local Government Board state that they "have no power" to "authorise the appropriation of unexpended "balances of Loans to any objects other than those for which the Loans were originally raised," and they suggest that the balance should be appropriated "to making an extra payment or "payments on account of the principal of the Loan, so that the annual re-payments may be "proportionately reduced."

I am, therefore, directed to ask if the Metropolitan Board of Works will receive back the unexpended balance of £2,478 17s. 10s. of the Loan above referred to, and if so, on what terms and conditions.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,

Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,

Spring-gardens, S.W.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. BEDFORD,

Clerk.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

53. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas-testing Stations during the week ended on the 2nd instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Specimen Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphureted Hydrogen.
		Max.	M'n.	Mean.	Max.	M'n.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.1	16.8	17.0	13.3	9.4	10.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	None.
	Camden ...	17.3	16.3	16.6	10.6	7.9	9.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston ...	16.9	16.5	16.8	16.8	12.4	14.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow ...	17.4	16.6	16.9	15.1	11.0	12.6	0.6	0.0	0.3	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.7	16.4	16.6	18.8	16.5	17.8	0.4	0.1	0.3	"
	" (Nine-elms) ...	16.6	15.1	16.4	17.2	11.0	14.6	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	Kingsland-road ...	17.0	16.8	16.9	23.7	9.1	15.6	0.1	0.0	0.1	"
	Charing-cross ...	16.9	16.5	16.7	14.3	10.0	12.4	0.7	0.4	0.5	"
	St. John's-wood ...	17.0	16.3	16.7	15.5	10.2	12.6	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	21.1	20.8	21.0	15.9	12.7	14.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Peckham ...	17.1	16.5	16.8	20.9	12.5	15.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	"
	Tooley-street... ..	16.8	16.1	16.4	13.7	7.3	10.0	0.5	0.0	0.2	"
	Clapham ...	16.9	16.3	16.6	19.6	11.1	13.9	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Lewisham ...	16.8	16.4	16.5	11.3	7.9	10.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Old Ford ...	17.1	16.5	16.8	8.9	6.8	7.8	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	17.0	16.0	16.6	12.7	8.6	10.8	0.4	0.2	0.2	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested at Albion-street, Lewisham, on January 28th, 1886, at 8 p.m., was 2.2 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Commercial Gas Company, as tested at Nightingale-lane, E., on January 27th, 1886, at 8 p.m., was 1.9 inches.

54. BERMONDSEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1886, on a Letter from Messrs. Stock, Page and Stock, on behalf of Mr. J. O. Parker, asking, under the circumstances mentioned in their Letter, for a modification of the condition imposed by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd ultimo (No.8), with reference to the period within which the re-erection of buildings from the "Eagle" Public-house, to the "Prince Teck" (both inclusive) on the North side of Abbey-street, shall be commenced and completed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

55. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Edmondson and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourt of Pond House, in High-road, Clapton, and to the erection of buildings upon the land adjoining in the High-road, also for the erection of four shops on the Eastern side of Clarence-road, Clapton, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

56. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. F. Bentley, on behalf of the Rev. H. J. Van Doorne, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Church and buildings on the West side of Brixton-rise, between Horsford and Trent Roads, to the lines shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

57. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for the consent of this Board to the erection of four open play-sheds at the Schools in Haseltine-road, Bell-green, Lower Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

58. NEWINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. H. Gledhill, on behalf of Mr. J. Gledhill, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of Nos. 183 to 197 (odd numbers only), East-street, Walworth, with projecting bays, also to the re-erection of the “Apollo” Beer-house, No. 197, East-street, with a one-storey addition in front, and the re-erection of houses in Flint-street, Walworth, to the lines shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date; that previously to the commencement of building operations, the space coloured Blue upon the Plan be given up and added to the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

59. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Linsell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 243, 245, 247 and 249, Roman-road, Old Ford, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

60. ROTHERHITHE.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. G. Legg, Surveyor to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, relative to the re-building of premises at the corner of Princes-street and Rotherhithe-street, and asking the Board to take steps to cause the building to be set back to the general line.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

61. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Branch, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops on the South-East side of St. John’s-hill, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That the application be not granted.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Meaden, and seconded—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

The motion having been, by leave of the Board, withdrawn, the amendment was put as an original motion, and it was declared to be carried: and it was resolved accordingly.

62. WESTMINSTER.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. D. Hobson, on behalf of Dr. Rigg, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop front to No. 138, Horseferry-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

63. WOOLWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. H. Church, on behalf of Mr. J. C. Bonnett, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 97, 98, and 99, Wellington-street, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

64. HOLBORN.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. J. Mansell, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of two foot-bridges connecting Nos. 35 and 36, Red Lion-square.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

65. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Carline, on behalf of the Lewisham District Board, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction of a Sewer ventilating shaft upon land adjoining Ivy-lane.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

66. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Eggar, on behalf of the Vestry of St. Pancras, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the Mortuary premises in Cambridge-street.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

67. WHITECHAPEL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. F. Goodey, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron shed at the rear of No. 116, Leman-street.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

68. FULHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Wall, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of roads to lead out of Cumberland-avenue, Hammersmith.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

69. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January 1886, on the application of Mr. R. Livett, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a paved foot-way, to lead out of the High-road, Balham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

70. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Drake and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a workshop upon land at the rear of houses in Battersea-park-road, with walls of Portland cement concrete.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, and that a License, with such conditions as to the quality and composition of the concrete, and other matters, as are contained in the form of License approved by the Board on the 28th November, 1879 (No. 6), be granted to the applicant.

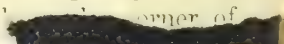
71. ISLINGTON.—Read a communication from Mr. John Goldicutt Turner, Deputy District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of East Islington, dated 25th January, 1886, notifying that certain alterations and additions to the premises of Messrs. Crisp and Co., in Seven Sisters'-road, were about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—
Whereas, Mr. John Goldicutt Turner, Deputy District Surveyor for the District of East Islington, did on the 25th day of January, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said John Goldicutt Turner, was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain alterations and additions to the premises of Messrs. Crisp and Co., in Seven Sisters'-road, and the said John Goldicutt Turner has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is *ordered* by this Board—That Mr. Frederic Hammond, District Surveyor for the District of North-West Islington, be appointed by this Board, and the said Frederic Hammond is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

72. BERMONDSEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor, relative to the non-payment of his fees in respect of alterations to a building in Richardson-street, Long-lane.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

73. BERMONDSEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, stating that Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor for the District of Bermondsey and St. John, St. Olave and St. Thomas, Southwark, proposed to remove his District Office to the new block of buildings at the corner of Railway Approach, London Bridge, and Denman-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the change in the said District Office be approved.

74. METROPOLIS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th February, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, Licenses in respect of a temporary Coffee-room erected in Great Western-road, Paddington, an iron Church  corner of Rectory-road and Evering-road, Stoke Newington, and a Mission  St. Michael's Church, at Greenbank, Wapping.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

75. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Ernest George, and Peto, on

behalf of Messrs. Warner and Andrews, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the separation and construction of premises in Mount-street, Berkeley-square.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

76. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor, asking the Board to afford him legal assistance in proceedings taken by him with reference to the erection of a house and shop at the North-West corner of Bisham-gardens and Highgate-hill with an insufficient space at the rear thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

77. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. E. Burrows, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards to four houses on the North side of Greyhound-lane, Streatham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

78. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th February, 1886, stating that Mr. E. H. Wilkinson, a Second-class Clerk in the Dangerous Structures Branch, of the Department, was unable to attend to his duties in consequence of illness.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That one month's leave of absence be granted to Mr. Wilkinson, and that the Superintending Architect do report again at the expiration of that period.

79. CITY OF LONDON (WESTERN DIVISION).—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd February, 1886, stating that Mr. H. McLachlan, District Surveyor for the District of the Western Division of the City of London, proposed that his District Office should be at No. 17, Farringdon-street, City.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the situation of the said District Office be approved.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 12th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 6.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday, the 12th day of February, 1886**, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M'GAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOWLER, BART., ALDERMAN, M.P.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.		HON. ALAN DE TATTON EGER- TON, M.P.
CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., Eng.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.
JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.		GEORGE BROWN, Esq.
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL- LIAMS, Esq.
ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.	ROBERT JONES, Esq.
WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR- CLOUGH, Esq.
	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND- SAY, Esq.
JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN- HALL, Esq.
BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	
EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH- ARDSON, Esq.	LIEUT.-COL. HUGHES, M.P.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 5th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.
2. A Deputation from inhabitants of the Eastern part of the Metropolis, introduced by Mr. Cook, M.P., and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. F. W. Buxton, Mr. E. N. Buxton, M.P., Mr. A. A. Hollingsworth, Mr. C. Gearey, Dr. Moir, Mr. H. Bradley, Mr. S. Chandler, Mr. C. H. Yell, Mr. H. Pontin, Mr. J. Westlake, M.P., Mr. A. Coote, Mr. A. Simmons, and Sir H. E. Knight, Alderman, accompanied by the Right Hon. the Earl Cowper, K.G., attended the Board, and presented a Memorial which was read, as follows—

To the Chairman and Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Humble Petition of the ratepayers, inhabitants, and persons employed at the East-end of London.

SHEWETH—

That the Main Drainage embankment Northern Outfall, ranging from Victoria Bank to Beckton, passing through poor and crowded neighbourhoods, if utilised for the purpose of a

footpath and promenade would be a greater boon to the inhabitants of these localities through which it passes, enabling working-men and others to proceed direct to their respective works, saving both time and fatigue.

Further, that at but comparatively slight expense to your Honourable Board, this embankment could be converted into a grand, and at the same time unique, boulevard, blending alike the facilities for business and pleasure, conferring an inestimable amount of pleasure, enjoyment, and health, upon thousands of children who have no playground but the streets.

Further, calling attention to a public meeting held in the Drill Hall, Stratford, on the 18th June last, attended by some 2,000 persons, when it was duly resolved that a Deputation wait upon your Honourable Board to urge the desirability of their utilising this embankment.

Further, that on the 26th June last a Deputation waited upon your Honourable Board, when the Scheme was ably and lucidly placed before you by the Right Honourable the Lord Brabazon.

Further, to direct attention that, upon 11th July last, a Petition, signed by 2,500 inhabitants of the neighbourhood, was duly presented by Mr. E. Rider Cook, praying that immediate steps be taken to confer this boon upon these poor and crowded localities.

They therefore pray your Honourable Board will take early measures to carry into effect a scheme by which the public can use the embankment for the purposes of a footpath and promenade, in the interests of convenience and business. Should it not be considered advisable to grant the greater boon in taking advantage of the natural facilities presented for conversion at but small expense into a magnificent boulevard.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.,

(Signed)

COWPER,

And 1,458 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was moved by Mr. Cook, M.P., and seconded by Mr. Jolly—That the Memorial now presented be referred to the Engineer, with instructions to report to the Board as soon as possible what works would be necessary to be carried out before the prayer of the Memorialists could be properly granted, and what would be their cost.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee what works would be necessary to be carried out before the prayer of the Memorialists could be properly granted, and what would be the cost of such works.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an original motion, it was also carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

3. A Deputation from inhabitants of Theobald's-road, introduced by Mr. Phillips, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. K. Maclean, Mr. J. E. Wood, Mr. S. Jacobs, Mr. J. Hayes, Mr. G. Nuthall, Mr. G. Myatte, Mr. G. E. Cross, Mr. M. Barratt, Mr. H. M. Clark, Mr. J. Pettitt, Mr. R. G. Bubb, Mr. P. J. Bennett, Mr. S. Moore, and Mr. W. Easy, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

In Parliament—Session 1886.

NORTH METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Humble Petition of the undersigned, comprising a majority of the Members of the Holborn District Board of Works.

SHEWETH—

That your Petitioners are much impressed with the importance and necessity of extending the Tramways in this District, from the Holborn Town-hall, along Theobald's-road to Devonshire-street, or thereabouts, and along Gray's-inn-road to Holborn, and earnestly hope that the schemes for that purpose, now under consideration, will receive the sanction and cordial support of your Honourable Board.

Your Petitioners desire also to call your attention to the fact that a large majority of the ratepayers and inhabitants generally are extremely anxious that the proposed extensions shall be completed as soon as possible, and that it was only upon the urgent request of an influential Deputation from the inhabitants, supported by a Deputation from the District Board of Works, that the Tramway Company were induced to renew their application to Parliament.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

(Signed) KENNETH MACLEAN,
83, Lamb's Conduit-street,
And 28 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Phillips, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the consideration of the Memorial be deferred until the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee, with respect to the Tramways to which it relates, shall be brought up.

4. Mr. Wetenhall stated that a Deputation from the Vestry of St. Pancras was in attendance, and desired to address the Board in support of the proposed Tramway Schemes in that Parish, although no notice thereof appeared in the Paper of Business, and he ~~moved~~—That the Standing Order with respect to the reception of Deputations be, on the present occasion, suspended, and that the Deputation be now received.

The ~~motion~~ having been seconded by Mr. Furniss, it was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was ~~resolved~~ accordingly.

The Deputation was then introduced by Mr. Wetenhall, and consisted of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. T. B. Westacott, Mr. H. Davis, Mr. W. H. Bryant, Mr. G. A. Lucas, Mr. T. W. Beaves, Mr. R. Bennetts, Mr. D. J. Wood, Mr. J. Ingar, Mr. T. Cooper, Mr. A. D. Brown, Mr. W. Baker, Mr. H. Dart, Mr. F. Andrew, Mr. C. H. Reed, Mr. J. J. D. Deverell, Mr. T. Purchase, Mr. J. A. Hall, Mr. F. Bremner, Mr. A. Boden, Mr. W. Ives, and Mr. J. W. Dixon.

The Deputation handed in a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

Vestry of Saint Pancras.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex.
SHEWETH,—

That your Memorialists have had under consideration the Bill of this Session of Parliament promoted by the London Street Tramways Company, for an extension of Tramways in and from this Parish.

That your Memorialists are of opinion that the Parish of St. Pancras has greatly benefited by the introduction of Tramways, and that the extension of Tramways towards the outlying districts, and towards the central parts of London as proposed, would greatly add to the usefulness of existing lines, and render them of even greater convenience to the inhabitants of the Parish.

That your Memorialists beg especially to point out that, in the event of the proposed lines extending the existing system, towards Holborn, along Gray's-inn-road, and towards Hampstead-heath by South-end-green, being constructed, a pleasant and easy communication between the Holborn District and Hampstead-heath would be afforded.

That the proposed extension along Archway-road, Highgate-road, Chalk-farm-road, and Adelaide-road, will be of the greatest service to the residents in the outer districts of the Parish travelling to the City, as well as enabling the poorer classes in Holborn and Clerkenwell to reach such outer districts.

That your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to give their sanction to all the extensions of Tramways in this Parish, as proposed by the London Street Tramways Extension Bill, Session 1886.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

The Common Seal of the Vestry of the Parish of St. Pancras, Middlesex,
affixed hereto by Order of the said Vestry.

(Signed) THOS. ECCLESTON GIBB,
Vestry Clerk,
St. Pancras, Middlesex.

L. S.

The Deputation addressed the Board in support of the Memorial.

Mr. Wetenhall handed in a Memorial from Frontagers in the line of Tramway proposed by the London Street Tramways Extensions Bill, from King's-cross to Clerkenwell-road, in favour of the proposed Tramway; and also a Memorial from Frontagers in the line of the proposed Tramway in Chalk-farm-road, in favour of that Tramway.

It was *moved* by Mr. Wetenhall, seconded by Mr. Furniss, and *resolved*—That the consideration of the Memorials be deferred until the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee with respect to the Tramways to which they relate shall be brought up.

5. Mr. Cook, M.P., on behalf of Mr. Abbott, handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Limehouse District.

Office, White-horse-street,

Commercial-road East, E.

10th February, 1886.

Artizans and Labourers' Dwellings Acts, 1875 to 1882.

BROOK-STREET AREA.

GENTLEMEN,—As directed by the Board of Works for the Limehouse District, I beg to forward you on the other side copy Resolution passed at their Meeting held this day in reference to the above area.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. W. RATCLIFF,

Clerk of the Board.

To the

Metropolitan Board of Works.

Copy Resolution.

“That, considering that the site known as the Brook-street area has been acquired by
“the Metropolitan Board of Works for more than 12 months, and having regard
“to the need for Labourers' Dwellings in the District to prevent overcrowding,
“and to the distress so prevalent from want of employment, this Board earnestly
“requests the Metropolitan Board of Works to clear the site and let the land for
“building purposes without further delay.”

It was *moved* by Mr. Cook, M.P., seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

6. Mr. Fardell handed in a copy of Resolutions passed by the Vestry of Paddington on the 9th instant, with reference to amendments in the Bill for the Cricklewood, Kilburn, and Harrow-road Tramways.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Urquhart, and *resolved*—That the said Resolutions be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which they relate.

7. Mr. Debenham handed in a Letter, as follows—

Court House, St. Marylebone, W.,

February 11th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—The Vestry have decided to execute wood-paving works in the Parish during the current year, 1886, to the extent of £14,000, and the Board are desirous of raising that sum by Loan on the credit of the General Rate, the same to be re-paid by instalments, and I have been instructed to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction to the Loan, to be effected pursuant to the 183rd Section of the Metropolitan Local Management Act.

I am further directed to make respectful application to the Metropolitan Board of Works to advance the amount required by the Vestry, under the “Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act (1871),” the same to be re-paid in the manner above set forth.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) W. E. GREENWELL,

Vestry Clerk,

per W. H. G.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,

Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was **moved** by Mr. Debenham, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

8. Read a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.,

11th February, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by this Board to inform you, with the view of such steps being taken in the matter as the Metropolitan Board of Works may deem expedient, that it has been reported to them that some posts have been recently erected in Harraway-road, and two hoardings in Buckton-street, Battersea, as shown in Red colour on the enclosed Plan. The posts shown in Black colour on the Plan in Harraway-road and Holman-road have been there for many years. The Plans of the roads were approved by the Metropolitan Board of Works in April, 1868, and January, 1869 (Case No. $\frac{3008}{11203}$, and Case No. $\frac{287}{1133}$).

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) HEN. GEO. HILLS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.

Spring-gardens, S.W.

The Plan referred to was laid before the Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Cameron, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

9. Mr. Williams handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Lewisham District.

Catford, S.E.,

11th February, 1886.

STACKING OF FIREWOOD.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed to forward you the following copy of a Resolution passed at the last Meeting of this Board, and to request that the same may be laid before the Metropolitan Board at their next meeting.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) H. S. WINNETT,
Clerk to the Board.

The Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works.

Copy Resolutions.

RESOLVED—"That this Board desire to express their disapproval of the Bill promoted
"by the Metropolitan Board of Works in relation to the keeping of Firewood
"within the Metropolis, and their concurrence in the opinion expressed in the
"Resolution passed upon the subject by the Vestry of Rotherhithe, as commu-
"nicated by their Letter of the 5th February, 1886."

RESOLVED—"That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Metropolitan
"Board of Works, and also to the Member representing the Borough in
"Parliament, and that he be requested to oppose the Bill when brought forward
"in the House."

It was **moved** by Mr. Williams, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

10. Mr. Richardson handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

141, Greenwich-road, Greenwich, S.E.,

12th February, 1886.

SIR,—I am instructed by this Board to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works for a Loan of £15,000, re-payable by instalments, extending over a period of not less than twenty years, such Loan to be applied, as to £12,000, in paving with granite cubes, and as to £3,000

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in paving with wooden blocks, the unpaved portions of the several roads in the Parish of Greenwich, from Wellington-grove, Greenwich-road, to Marsh-lane, along which Tramways are laid. I shall be obliged by your laying this application before your Board.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. SPENCER,
Clerk of the Board.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

11. Mr. Robson handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of the Parish of St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell.

Vestry-hall, Clerkenwell,
58, Rosoman-street, E.C.,
12th February, 1886.

NORTH METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS (No. 1) SCHEME.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that this Vestry have had under consideration this Scheme, by which it is proposed to connect the Clerkenwell-road line with the London Street Tramways authorised extensions in Farringdon-road, and that the Vestry have given their assent thereto.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) ROBERT PAGET,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Robson, seconded, and *resolved*—That the consideration of the Letter be deferred until the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee with respect to the Tramways to which it relates shall have been brought up.

12. Mr. Robson handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of the Parish of St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell.

Vestry-hall, Clerkenwell,
58, Rosoman-street, E.C.,
February 12th, 1886.

NORTH LONDON TRAMWAYS SCHEME.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that this Vestry have had under consideration this Scheme, which, as far as Clerkenwell is concerned, proposes to run along Penton-street, across Pentonville-road, along the West side of Claremont-square, and down Amwell-street, terminating at River-street, and that the Vestry have given their assent thereto.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) ROBERT PAGET,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Robson, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

13. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 9th February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 23rd January, 1886...	...	...	...	£309,596	9	1		
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day				128,261	15	1		
							£437,858	4 2
Payments since 23rd January, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	221,900	7 6
Balance on 6th February, 1886	{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank ...			£225,048	14	11		
	{ Less cheques not presented			9,090	18	3		
								215,957 16 8

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance on 23rd January, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	£1,055	13	1
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	...	...	5,048	14	3
							£6,104	7 4
Payments since 23rd January, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,209	7 9
Balance on 6th February, 1886	{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank...			£970	12	11		
	{ Less cheques not presented			75	13	4		
								894 19 7

Total Cash Balances on 6th February, 1886 **£216,852 16 3**

Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 23rd January, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.		Balances, 6th February, 1886.		Cheques drawn but not issued.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.	At Debit.	At Credit.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Working Accounts—							
General	127,101 8 -	...	82,102 1 9	10,227 16 11	55,227 3 2	...	...
Fire Brigade	2,388 5 2	...	1,021 17 3	6,695 2 7	8,061 10 6	...	...
Bridges	...	6,385 10 2	350 14 8	339 11 6	...	6,396 13 4	...
Capital Accounts—							
General	...	495,194 5 8	...	103,549 14 10	...	391,644 10 10	500 - -
Fire Brigade	33 11 5	...	...	688 15 10	722 7 3	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1877)... ..	14 7 6	...	...	...	14 7 6	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1881)... ..	1,978 13 10	...	...	1,177 2 -	3,155 15 10	...	3,103 11 -
Bridges (Act of 1883)... ..	22 1 -	...	...	56 19 10	79 - 10	...	715 15
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	266 2 -	...	...	6,041 2 -	6,307 4 -	...	15 - -
Parks and Open Spaces	39 14 8	...	...	15 5 1	54 19 9	...	...
Highbury Fields	60,301 11 6	...	...	...	60,301 11 6	...	...
Streets (Act of 1872)... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	899 2 6
Streets (Act of 1877)... ..	7,837 14 11	...	...	4,638 18 3	12,476 13 2	...	20,811 19 1
Streets (Act of 1883)... ..	4,978 17 1	...	...	13,221 16 8	18,200 13 9	...	28,016 12 4
Streets (Act of 1884)... ..	2,835 18 9	...	...	21 1 6	2,857 - 3	...	...
Streets (Act of 1885)... ..	7 10 -	...	...	...	7 10 -	...	...
Appold Street	...	51 10 1	141 - -	...	...	192 10 1	...
Hampstead Improvements	27,859 4 8	...	79 7 4	3,140 5 -	30,920 2 4	...	8,631 19 2
Poplar Improvement	16 19 7	...	...	...	16 19 7	...	...
Thames Floods Prevention	48 6 3	...	...	27 9 4	75 15 7	...	...
Miscellaneous—							
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	...	7,491 - 11	55 6 9	4,077 - 6	...	3,469 7 2	8,503 13 4
Consolidated Loans Fund	...	35,987 8 8	44,511 7 4	67,982 5 8	...	12,516 10 4	9 18 7
Firemen's Savings Fund	...	216 19 11	...	...	...	216 19 11	...
	235,730 6 4	545,326 15 5	128,261 15 1	221,900 7 6	198,478 15 -	414,436 11 8	71,207 11 -
	£309,596 9 1				£215,957 16 8		

INVESTMENTS.

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND	...	...	£3,120 8 5	...	Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT	...	...	£100,000 - -	...	Treasury Bills, due 7th April, 1886.
Do.	...	...	£100,000 - -	...	Do. 6th May, 1886.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 25th January to 6th February, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Assessments—											
Bermondsey...	...	...	...	...	...	£6,180	18	7			
Bethnal-green	...	...	...	...	...	5,792	10	6			
Charterhouse	...	...	...	...	...	190	19	1			
Rotherhithe	...	...	...	...	...	3,130	3	8			
St. Giles' District	...	...	...	...	...	5,676	12	3			
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	...	...	...	...	...	6,412	3	8			
St. Marylebone	...	...	...	...	...	21,702	9	1			
St. Pancras	...	...	...	...	...	23,149	4	7			
South Hornsey	...	...	...	...	...	551	14	9			
Strand District	...	...	...	...	...	6,854	14	7			
						79,641 10 9					
Supplemental Assessments, <i>re</i> Government property—											
Camberwell]	...	...	...	...	...	£6	14	11			
Hackney District	...	...	...	...	...	2	7	8			
Plumstead District	...	...	...	...	...	564	16	1			
St. Marylebone	...	...	...	...	...	81	14	2			
St. Pancras	...	...	...	...	...	36	14	6			
Woolwich...	...	...	...	...	...	1,050	4	9			
						1,742 12 1					
Fees—											
<i>Re</i> Construction of buildings (Building Act)					...	£7	-	-			
„ Dangerous structures				„	...	246	4	5			
„ Gas-meter testing	...	...	...	...	...	330	11	-			
„ Petroleum	...	...	...	...	...	16	15	-			
„ Explosives	...	...	...	...	...	5	10	-			
						606 - 5					
Costs recovered—											
<i>Re</i> Lease					...	...	19	16	-		
Proceeds of sales of carcases—											
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act					...	...	66	12	2		
Plans, &c., sold	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	17	10		
Drain junctions to main sewers	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	19	8		
Refund of cost of chemicals, &c., supplied to gas-testing stations	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	12	10		
						82,102 1 9					
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.											
Contributions from insurance companies					...	...	879	1	3		
Contributions from men towards rent					...	...	103	12	6		
Chimney-fire penalties...					...	...	18	6	-		
Refund of cost of damage to fire-raft “Beetle”					...	...	10	17	6		
National Debt Commissioners—Half-year’s annuity <i>re</i> Morris					...	...	10	-	-		
						1,021 17 3					
BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.											
Rent					...	...	350	14	8		
APPOLD STREET.											
Sales					...	...	141	-	-		
HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.											
Rent					...	...	79	7	4		
Carried forward						...	...	£83,695	1	-	

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				83,695	1	-

DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Rent	34	16	9			
Sales—						
Goulston-street	20	-	-			
Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by the Board ...	-	10	-			
				55	6	9

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Rent	4,195	5	8			
Loans—						
Interest	£26,974	14	3			
Repayments	11,557	4	10			
				38,531	19	1
Sales—						
Gray's-inn-road	£1,665	-	-			
Bermondsey (old materials)	10	-	-			
Southwark-bridge-road (old materials)	66	14	3			
Upper Street (old materials)	10	-	-			
				1,751	14	3
Interest, <i>re</i> sales—						
Gray's-inn-road	13	17	9			
Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by the Board ...	18	10	7			
				44,511	7	4
				£128,261	15	1

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £21,303 11s. 1d., be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 6th July, 1883 (No. 8), your Committee have had before them a Statement of the Salaries which will become payable to the Board's Officers on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £2,948 16s. 8d., which Statement has been approved by your Committee; and they beg to submit the same, and to recommend—

That the Board do pass an Order authorising the Treasurer to pay the several amounts on or after the 25th instant.

The Board on the 3rd June, 1881 (No. 6), agreed to contribute a sum of £1,500, and on the 15th January, 1886 (No. 5), the further sum of £628 12s. 6d., towards the cost of the construction, by the Hackney District Board, of the new Bridge over the River Lee, at Temple-mills. Your Engineer reported to the Works and General Purposes Committee on the 11th ultimo that the Bridge, and the strengthening works required by the Board, had been duly carried out by the District Board, at a cost, as certified by your Accountant, of £4,257 5s. 2d., and your Committee therefore recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £2,128 in favour of the Hackney District Board, being the amount of this Board's promised contributions towards the construction of the new Bridge over the River Lee, at Temple-mills.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, for permission to borrow, and also for the advance of a sum of £3,000, referred by the Board on the 18th December last (No. 4). On the 27th March, 1885 (No. 6), the Vestry applied for a Loan of a sum of £10,000 to defray the cost of certain

asphalte, wood paving, and other works, and on the 5th May (No. 4), the Board agreed to advance to the Vestry £7,700, towards the cost of the works. It has been reported to your Committee that works have been executed as follows—Asphalte £6,046 10s. 9d., wood £1,872 5s., and metallic paving £287 16s., and the construction of 600 feet of brick Sewer (3 feet 9 inches by 2 feet 6 inches) in Little Pulteney-street and Great Crown-court £920. In addition to the foregoing the Vestry propose to improve the foot and carriage ways of Little Pulteney-street and Rupert-street, at an estimated cost of £1,827 7s. 4d., making a total of £10,953 19s. 1d., leaving a sum of £3,253 19s. 1d. to provide for, after crediting the £7,700 already borrowed. Your Engineer has examined the rates of charge in the several Contracts for the works above referred to, and also the detailed estimate for the proposed works in Little Pulteney-street and Rupert-street, and reports the same to be fair and reasonable, and having regard thereto, and to the necessity for the works, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor of the Board, the application of the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, for permission to borrow, and also for the advance of a sum of £3,000 to defray the cost of asphalte and wood paving, and sewerage works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum. per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January within 5 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Guardians of the Poor of the Strand Union, requesting an advance of a sum of £1,150, referred by the Board on the 15th ultimo (No. 31). The Guardians have purchased (at auction) about three-fourths of an acre of Freehold land adjoining their school at Edmonton, having a frontage of 274 feet to Silver-street, for £850, and propose to erect a dwarf wall and iron railings along such frontage, at a probable cost of £300. Your Superintending Architect has reported to your Committee that he considers the price paid for the land, and the cost of the wall and railings, to be reasonable, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Strand Union, for a Loan of a sum of £1,150, to defray the cost of purchasing a piece of land at Edmonton, adjoining their schools, and erecting a boundary fence thereto, be granted to the extent of £1,100, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January within 10 years; that the sum of £5 5s. be charged for Surveyor's Fee; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

Your Committee have considered the application of the School Board for London, for a further advance of a sum of £100,000, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 42). The money is required to provide or enlarge school-houses, and the necessary consent of the Educational Department has been obtained to the raising of the Loan. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the School Board for London, for a further Loan of a sum of £100,000, for providing or enlarging school-houses, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up by the 26th instant, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January within 50 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

On the 23rd October last (No. 15), the Board, on the recommendation of your Committee, agreed to advance the sum of £3,500 to the Vestry of Hampstead to defray the cost of the erection of additional buildings and the execution of other works at

their Vestry Hall, and they also sanctioned the borrowing of £16,000 by the Vestry of Chelsea, to defray the cost of the erection of a Vestry Hall and additional Offices, and agreed to advance the sum of £6,000, and referred the matter to the Solicitor to complete the Loans. During the necessary investigation by that Officer it appeared that certain of the rooms and offices were not exclusively used for Vestry purposes, and entertaining some doubt whether under those circumstances the Board could properly sanction the proposed expenditure, he consulted Mr. Brickdale, one of the Conveyancing Counsel to the Court of Chancery, on the subject, whose opinion was adverse to the proposed Loans. The representatives of the several Vestries were dissatisfied with that decision, on the ground that all the material facts were not fully set out in the case submitted to Counsel. Accordingly your Committee decided that a further opinion should be taken, and that it should be referred to the Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, and the Solicitor, to ascertain from the representatives of the Vestries, and the Officers and legal advisers of those bodies, what additional facts they wished to be stated in the case. A conference took place, all the parties mentioned were present, and after the representatives of the Vestries had been heard, it was decided to take the opinion of the late Attorney-General (Sir R. Webster) and Mr. Meadows White, Q.C., when the views of the Vestries' professional advisers on the subject were submitted to them. The result has been that those eminent Counsel have given it as their opinion that the Board may, under the circumstances detailed in the case submitted to them, sanction the Loans, and also advance the money. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to complete the Loan of £3,500 agreed to be advanced to the Vestry of Hampstead to defray the cost of making certain alterations and additions to the Vestry Hall.

That the Solicitor be instructed to complete the Loan of £6,000 agreed to be advanced to the Vestry of Chelsea towards the cost of the erection of a Vestry Hall and additional Offices.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Guardians of the Poor of Mile-end Old-town, enquiring whether the Board can advance to them £5,000, to defray the cost of erecting new Casual Wards, re-payable in 20 years, and if so upon what terms, referred by the Board on the 29th ultimo (No. 47). The Board have ample funds for making the advance, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That the Guardians of Mile-end Old-town be informed, in reply to their enquiry, that the Board have funds out of which they could advance them £5,000, provided the Reports of their Officers are satisfactory, and that the rate of interest now being charged on Loans is £3 10s. per cent.

It will be in the recollection of the Board that the borrowing power sanctioned by Parliament, for the year 1886, is £17,000 in connection with the Streets Improvement Act, 1877, and the Board may also expend such further sum as the Treasury may approve, provided that the total expenditure does not exceed £4,193,507. There is a necessity for procuring the assent of the Treasury to expenditure in excess of the sum sanctioned by Parliament. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the question of the probable further amount to be expended by the Board, during the year 1886, under the Street Improvements Act of 1877, and of the Board's borrowing power in relation thereto, be referred to the Works, &c., Committee, with authority to procure the assent of the Treasury for such expenditure, and that the Engineer, the Superintending Architect and the Solicitor be directed to report to that Committee on the subject.

Your Committee have to report that notwithstanding the communication directed by the Board on the 15th ultimo to be sent to the Vestries, &c., who had made default in paying their Precepts, the second moiety payable by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and the Greenwich District Board is still unpaid, and your Committee recommend—

That the usual Orders be sealed for procuring copies of the Poor Rate with a view to levying Rates in default, and that fourteen days' notice be given of the course intended to be taken prior to the service of such Orders.

Your Committee recommend—

That the two Cheques, Nos. 541 and 542, dated 4th August, 1885, drawn on the Streets (Act of 1883) Account in favour of Mrs. M. Jerman and Mr. J. K. Thomson, be cancelled, in consequence of having been drawn longer than Three months.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

T. G. FARDELL,
P. W. FUNNELL,
CHAS^S. HARRIS,
CHARLES MOSSOP.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
JUDD AND Co.—(443)—						
6102 Bill for general printing, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	914	8	9		
STREET BROTHERS—(429)—						
6103 Advertisements, December, 1885	...	28	19	8		
HOLTZAPFFEL AND Co.—(361)—						
6104 Scales for drawing-office, October, 1885	...	2	7	6		
COMPTON, J., AND SONS—(353)—						
6105 Uniform clothing for hall-porter, messengers, &c., at office, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	13	1	-		
EYRE AND SPOTTISWOODE—(428)—						
6106 Parliamentary papers, July, 1884, to 31st December, 1885	...	94	10	5		
HANSARD, H., AND Co —(341)—						
6107 Parliamentary papers, year 1885	...	17	12	7		
COMPTON, J., AND SONS—(427)—						
6108 Uniform clothing for park and common keepers, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	56	5	6		
WHATCOTT, J.—(179 and 257)—						
6109 Boots for park and common keepers—						
December, 1885	...	£12	1	-		
January, 1886	...	8	10	-		
				20	11	-
YATES, W. AND J.—(454)—						
6110 Further on account of contract for new troughs, penstocks, and pump-rod connections for Crossness pumping-station (No. 703)	1,630	-	-			
CHELSEA WATERWORKS Co.—(445)—						
6111 Water for flushing sewers, June to October, 1885	...	47	12	-		
NORRIS, S. E., AND Co.—(358)—						
6112 Leather valves, &c., for pumping-stations, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	68	9	-		
PATTENDEN AND HICKS—(359)—						
6113 Rope, canvas, &c., for pumping-stations, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	151	2	9		
GREEN, J.—(354)—						
6114 Oils, colours, &c., for flushing-stores, pumping-stations, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	333	18	4		
CHAMBERLAIN, J.—(350)—						
6115 Brooms, brushes, &c., for flushing-stores, pumping-stations, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	5	4	11		
FRASER AND FRASER—(421)—						
6116 Repairs to boiler at Abbey Mills pumping-station, December, 1885, and January, 1886	...	19	-	-		
Carried forward	...	£23,403	3	5	...	

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	3,403	3	5	...		
WISE, DR. A—(424)—											
6117	Medical attendance at Crossness pumping-station, half-year to 6th February, 1886	...	...	...	...	25	-	-			
WILLIAMS, SON AND WALLINGTON—(363)—											
6118	Work in connection with sewage experiments at Crossness. February to July, 1885	...	...	...	...	335	19	1			
JOHNSON, S. H., AND Co.—(423)—											
6119	Jute cloths for sewage experiments, January, 1886	...	...	...	...	25	13	-			
WADESON, C. A.—(416)—											
6120	Mounting plans, &c., December, 1885, and January, 1886...	...	...	...	...	11	8	4			
VEITCH, J., AND SONS—(255)—											
6121	Shrubs for parks, &c., December, 1885	...	...	...	...	53	8	6			
PAUL, W., & SON—(253)—											
6122	Shrubs for Hackney-downs, December, 1885	...	...	...	...	40	7	-			
NEAL, R.—(252)—											
6123	Shrubs for parks, &c., July to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	45	3	6			
HOBMAN, A. C. W., AND Co.—(247)—											
6124	Rag-topping for paths, Southwark-park, November and December, 1885	...	...	...	...	28	2	6			
LAPTHORNE AND Co.—(259)—											
6125	Repairs to notice-boards at parks and open spaces, August to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	92	-	1			
JOHNSON, BROTHERS AND Co., LIMITED—(250)—											
6126	Hurdles for commons and open spaces, November, 1885 and January, 1886	...	...	...	...	78	13	4			
WHATLEY, T.—(256)—											
6127	Carting-work at Hampstead-heath, June to December, 1885, and turf supplied, December, 1885	...	...	...	...	25	11	6			
MESTON, J. F.—(251)—											
6128	Carting-work at Finsbury-park, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	26	11	-			
HOBMAN, A. T., AND SON—(248)—											
6129	Carting-work at Southwark-park and Tooting-commons, November and December, 1885	...	...	...	...	26	-	-			
WYMAN, J. W.—(258)—											
6130	Carting-work at Plumstead-common and Bostall-heath, July to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	25	-	-			
BASSETT, H.—(246)—											
6131	Food, &c., for pony and waterfowl at Finsbury-park, October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	9	9	1			
HARDING, R.—(249)—											
6132	Repairs to drinking-fountains at Finsbury-park and Tooting-commons, August to October, 1885	...	...	...	...	7	10	6			
BRASS, W., AND SON—(441)—											
6133	Shoring, hoarding, &c., dangerous structures	...	...	...	...	30	13	4			
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(431)—											
Fees, re dangerous structures—											
6134	Carritt, E.	...	...	...	...	£8	17	6			
6135	Clarkson, J.	...	...	...	...	2	17	6			
6136	Conder, A.	...	...	...	...	4	12	6			
6137	Fletcher, B.	...	...	...	...	3	-	-			
6138	Fowler, C.	...	...	...	...	2	10	-			
6139	Hammon, H. J.	...	...	...	...	30	6	4			
6140	Hayward, C. F.	...	...	...	...	5	5	-			
6141	Legg, H. S.	...	...	...	...	4	5	-			
6142	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	...	3	5	-			
Carried forward...											
		...	£64	18	10	4,289	17	2	...		

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward						4,289	17	2	...		
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—Fees, &c.—(<i>continued</i>)						£64	18	10			
6143	Notley, R. P.	...	...	...	...	11	10	—			
6144	Oliver, H.	...	...	...	...	4	2	6			
6145	Parsons, H.	...	...	...	...	5	7	6			
6146	Redman, J. B.	...	...	...	...	4	—	—			
6147	Stenning, A. R.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
6148	Tanner, A. W.	...	...	...	...	4	15	—			
6149	Walker, R.	...	...	...	...	4	7	6			
6150	Watson, T. H.	...	...	...	...	2	10	—			
6151	Williams, T.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
6152	Woodward, J. A. J.	...	...	...	...	3	10	—			
						109	6	4			
GREENWOOD, J. AND J.—(442)—											
6153	Repairs at offices, Spring-gardens, March to July, 1885	...	...	...	...	85	—	3			
SCOTT, J. A.—(438)—											
6154	Repairs to office furniture, September to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	7	17	6			
HALLING, PEARCE AND STONE—(437)—											
6155	Floor-cloth, &c., for offices, November and December, 1885	...	...	...	...	3	15	11			
MILNE, SONS AND MACFIE—(430)—											
6156	Gas-fittings and materials for repairs at offices, July to September, 1885	...	...	...	...	51	15	3			
COOK, R. J., AND HAMMOND—(260)—											
6157	Lithography, <i>re</i> Foresters' Music-hall, April, 1885	...	...	...	...	4	10	—			
KNIGHT, HILL, AND Co.—(433)—											
6158	Caustic soda-bottoms for deodorising purposes, January, 1886	...	...	...	...	614	6	2			
ALLEN, W. G.—(434)—											
6159	Hire of steam-tug for sewage experiments, January, 1886	...	...	...	...	8	—	—			
RADCLIFFE, D., AND Co.—(372)—											
6160	Aquarium for sewage experiments, January, 1886	...	...	...	...	2	5	—			
TOWNSON AND MERCER—(346)—											
6161	Retorts, crucibles, &c., for sewage experiments, October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	10	2	2			
GREEN, J.—(357)—											
6162	Oils, colours, &c., for chemical department and offices, Spring-gardens, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	13	18	8			
STEEL AND JONES—(425)—											
6163	Newspapers, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	23	1	8			
PROVIDENT CLERKS' AND GENERAL GUARANTEE ASSOCIATION (LIMITED)—(345)—											
6164	Premium for guarantee of the cashier of the Board, one year to 27th February, 1887	...	...	...	...	7	10	—			
COMMERCIAL GAS Co.—(261)—											
6165	Gas for gas-meter testing-house, Spitalfields, quarter to Christmas, 1885	...	...	...	...	12	15	9			
PENSIONS—(343)—											
Month ending 25th February, 1886—											
6166	Fernley, G.	...	...	...	...	£3	15	6			
6167	Kennedy, T.	...	...	...	...	8	17	9			
6168	Welsh, R.	...	...	...	...	4	3	4			
6169	Whitworth, E.	...	...	...	...	5	—	—			
						21	16	7			
CHAMBERLAIN, J.—(325)—											
6170	Brooms, brushes, &c., for offices, Spring-gardens, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	4	12	—			
									5,270	10	5
Carried forward									£5,270	10	5

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	5,270	10	5

FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.**SHAND, MASON AND Co.—(335)—**

2535	Fittings for engine, October, 1885	...	...	£10	10	..
	Repairs to float "Dodo," November, 1885	...	...	125	-	..
						135 10 -

BAYLEY, E. H., AND Co.—(328)—

2536	Repairing and maintaining escapes, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	902 - -
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MILLS AND KNIGHT—(330)—

2537	Repairs to floats, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	69	8	6
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BRITTEN AND GILSON—(329)—

2538	Glass for repairs, &c, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	2	-	6
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WINGFIELD, S., AND SONS—(339)—

2539	Harness and repairs, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	16	7	-
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PARKINSON AND FRODSHAM—(333)—

2540	Cleaning, repairing, and winding regulator clock at head-quarters, year 1885	...	...	...	...	3 12 -
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STEEL AND JONES—(337)—

2541	Directories, &c., December, 1885	...	...	...	...	11 8 7
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MOORE, A.—(331)—

2542	Lamp and station-tablets, July, September, and October, 1885	...	...	61	2	-
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OXLEE, D.—(332)—

2543	Repairs to furniture of men's quarters, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	7 7 6
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MEDICAL OFFICERS—(340)—

Allowances for attendance on firemen, quarter to 31st December, 1885—

2544	Probert, J. L.	...	...	...	£48	18 4
2545	Taylor, A. A.	...	...	...	38	6 8
2546	Fowler, R.	...	...	...	32	8 4
2547	Sangster, C.	...	...	...	63	7 6
						183 - 10

SMITH BROTHERS—(338)—

2548	Repairs at stations, January to March, 1885	...	...	...	62	4 11
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UNDERHAY, F. G.—(264)—

2549	Repairs at stations, July to December, 1885	...	...	...	5	9 3
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GAS for sundry stations—(180 and 265)—

2550	Crystal Palace District Gas Co.	...	...	...	6	9 11
2551	Wandsworth and Putney Gaslight and Coke Co.	...	...	...	5	13 8

GATEHOUSE, R. H.—(344)—

2552	Pension, month ending 25th February, 1886	...	...	...	16	10 -
						1,488 4 8

GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.**BARRY, C.—(170)—**

6171	Surveyor's charges, June, 1883, to May, 1885, re Dulwich Park	...	...	105	-	-
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SURVEYORS' INSTITUTION—(269)—

6172	Hire of rooms for arbitration, re Hackney Commons	...	...	15	15	..
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LUCAS, H.—(367)—

6173	Expenses in connection with arbitration, re Hackney Commons	...	...	10	5	6
						131 -

FIRE BRIGADE CAPITAL ACCOUNT.**SHAND, MASON AND Co.—(336)—**

2553	New steam fire-engine, December, 1885	...	...	...	335	- -
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MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.**FELTON, G.—(451)—**

1250	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers, Stamford-brook-east and Bridge-road, Hammersmith (No. 705)	...	...	720	-	-
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Carried forward	£720	-	-	7,224	15	7
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			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	720	-	-	7,224	15	7
METROPOLITAN DISTRICT RAILWAY Co.—(456)—								
1251	Expenses incurred by the Company in connection with the construction of the relief-line of the Ranelagh and King's Scholars' Pond sewer in crossing their railway at Sloane-square, Chelsea	...	714	9	10			
NOWELL AND ROBSON—(453)—								
1252	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers, Queen's-road, Dalston, &c. (No. 727)	...	1,100	-	-	2,534	9	10
STREETS (ACT OF 1877).								
GASLIGHT AND COKE Co.—(327 & 422)—								
8623	Altering mains, &c., in line of new street from Piccadilly to Oxford-street, August to December, 1885	...	£707	16	1			
	Alterations to public lamps in new street as above, September, 1885...	...	6	12	1	714	8	2
DE GREY, HON. J. A.—(368)—								
8624	Counsel's fees, January, 1886, <i>re</i> Wilkes (Southwark-bridge-road)		24	13	-			
BAZALGETTE, C. N.—(374)—								
8625	Counsel's fees, December, 1885, <i>re</i> D'Humy (Charing-cross)	...	35	7	-			
TURNER, M. AND H.—(439)—								
8626	High bailiff's fees, <i>re</i> Dray (Charing-cross)	...	7	7	-	781	15	2
HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.								
WRIGHT, F., AND Co —(440;—								
286	Sheriff's fees, <i>re</i> Potter	...				5	15	6
BRIDGES (ACT OF 1881).								
MOSS, G.—(452)—								
19	Further on account of contract for alterations to Deptford-creek-bridge (No. 654)	...				200	-	-
BRIDGES (ACT OF 1883).								
DIXON, APPLEBY AND THORNE—(450)—								
7	Further on account of contract for alterations to Hammersmith-bridge, (No. 716)	...				900	-	-
DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.								
KERSEY, A. H.—(347)—								
5658	Surveyor's charges, <i>re</i> No. 168, Whitecross-street	...	8	8	-			
SURVEYORS' INSTITUTION—(263)—								
5659	Hire of rooms for inquiry <i>re</i> North and Wickes (Wells-street, Poplar)	...	2	12	6	11	-	6
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.								
RETURN of amounts in respect of deposits made on execution of tenancy Agreements—(415)—								
1528	Murphy, Mrs. H., No. 5, Queen's-head-court	...	£2	5	-			
1529	Griffin, Mrs. S., No. 23, Crown-street	...	4	-	-			
1530	Copplestone, J., No. 37, High-street, St. Giles'	...	10	-	-			
1531	Hely, A. A., No. 71, Crown-street, Soho	...	10	-	-	26	5	-
SMITH AND EBBS—(418)—								
1532	Return of property tax paid by them in respect of Nos. 20 and 22, George-street, and 5, Postern-row, Tower-hill	...	12	2	-	38	7	-
SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.								
COHEN, S., AND Co.—(420)—								
1879	Waterproof-clothing, quarter to 31st December, 1885—							
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	80	14	4			
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	9	17	1	90	11	5
	Carried forward	...				£11,786	15	-

					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...			11,786	15	-
BRASS, W. AND SON—(449)—										
1880	Hoarding, shoring, &c., in line of improvements, quarter to Michaelmas, 1885—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	14	3	10		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	48	17	11		
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	28	2	10		
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	35	-	11		
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	350	16	3		
									477	1 9
PETT, W.—(444)—										
1881	Repairs to premises occupied by tenants of the Board or taken for improvements, October, 1885—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	44	2	3		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	15	6	3		
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	7	3	6		
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	7	8	2		
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	35	14	8		
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	322	19	-		
									432	13 10
RADFORD, D., AND CO.—(266, 254, and 334)—										
1882	Coals and coke, December, 1885—									
	<i>General Working Account—</i>									
	Sluice-houses, &c....	...	...	...	£3	11	-			
	Finsbury and Southwark parks	...	...	...	18	1	9			
								21	12	9
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account—</i>									
	Stations, floats, &c.	...	...	...	...	192	12	3		
									214	5 -
MARRIOTT, RIGHT HON. W. T., Q.C.—(370)—										
1883	Counsel's fees, January, 1886—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	53	8	6		
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	57	15	-		
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	...	7	19	6		
									119	3
WHITE, F. M., Q.C.—(448)—										
1884	Counsel's fees, November and December, 1885—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	13	6	-		
	<i>General Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	...	106	-	6		
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	57	1	-		
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	5	12	6		
									182	- -
METHOLD, T. T.—(446)—										
1885	Counsel's fees, October to December, 1885—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	3	10	6		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	19	2			
	<i>Tooley Street Extension (Act of 1882)</i>	...	...	...	...	2	4	6		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	22	5	-		
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	6	16	-		
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	14	8	-		
									68	6 -
ARKCOLL, C. S.—(364)—										
1886	Counsel's fees, August, 1885—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1872)</i>	...	...	...	...	1	3	6		
	<i>Tooley Street Extension (Act of 1882)</i>	...	...	...	...	1	3	6		
									2	7 -
PHILLIPS, J. AND J.—(426)—										
1887	Fair-copying, stamps, &c., October, 1885—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	83	11	-		
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	5	6	9		
	<i>General Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	...	18	3	11		
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	12	3	-		
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	...	-	2	3		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	45	7	2		
	Carried forward	...	...	...	£164	14	1	13,282	11	7

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	13,282	11	7
PHILLIPS, J. AND J.—(continued)	...	...	...	...	...	...	164	14	1
Streets (Act of 1883)	...	...	...	...	...	...	62	12	—
Streets (Act of 1884)	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	11	2
Hampstead Improvements	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	4	6
Thames Floods Prevention	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	10	6
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	—	6
								277	12 9
RUSSELL, W.—(417)—									
1888 Commission on weekly rents collected, January, 1886—									
Bridges (Maintenance) Account	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	9	—
Hampstead Improvements	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	5	6
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4	—
Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	10	8
								20	9 2
CLERGY MUTUAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY—(432)—									
1889 General Working Account—									
Half-year's interest (less tax) on balance of loan of £50,000, due 26th February, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	326	5	—
Consolidated Loans Fund—									
Twenty-second instalment in repayment of loan	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,666	13	4
								1,992	18 4
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(457 and 458)—									
Repayment of advances—									
1890 Weekly wages—Two weeks to 5th February, 1886—									
General Working Account	...	...	...	£1,598	7	—			
Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	6	17	—			
Bridges (Maintenance) Account	...	...	...	4	4				
Fire Brigade Capital Account	...	...	...	18	6	—			
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	...	...	...	119	2	—			
Parks and Open Spaces...	...	...	...	23	3	9			
Streets (Act of 1877)	...	...	...	15	1				
Streets (Act of 1883)	...	...	...	4	4	—			
Hampstead Improvements	...	...	...	2	8	—			
Thames Floods Prevention	...	...	...	20	15				
Bridges (Act of 1881)	...	...	...	90	8	—			
Bridges (Act of 1883)	...	...	...	14	14	—			
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	...	...	...	33	5	6			
Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	...	39	—	—	1,989	15	3
Firemen's wages—Two weeks to 7th February, 1886—									
Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,989	—	5
Weekly pensions, 18th to 30th January, 1886—									
Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	...	...	...	89	16	8
								4,068	12 4
1891 Petty disbursements, 18th to 30th January, 1886—									
a General Working Account	...	...	...	£57	15	5			
b Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	£5	7	4			
Fire Brigade Capital Account	...	...	...	—	7	11			
							5	15	3
c Bridges (Maintenance) Account	...	...	...	—	18	5			
d General Working Account	...	...	...	£3	3	8			
Main Drainage and Main Sewers...	...	...	...	1	6	6			
							4	10	2
e Main Drainage and Main Sewers	...	...	...	1	8	—			
f Thames Floods Prevention	...	...	...	2	7	9			
g Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	...	—	15	—			
							73	10	—
Firemen's Savings Fund—									
h Amounts withdrawn, 18th to 30th January, 1886	...	...	...	46	16				
Carried forward	...	...	...	£120	6	7	...	19,642	4

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...				19,642	4	2
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)	...	120	6	7						
Compensations to tenants on removal—										
<i>i</i> Streets (Act of 1877)	... £120 - -									
Streets (Act of 1883)	... 5 - -									
Hampstead Improvements	... 5 - -									
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	... 161 - -									
					291	-	-			
Postages, 18th to 30th January, 1886—										
General Working Account	... 38 - -									
Streets (Act of 1883)—										
<i>k</i> Costs of production of deeds, <i>re</i> Hope (Bermondsey)	... 1 1 -									
Bridges (Act of 1881)—										
<i>l</i> Moiety of parish rates to Ladyday, 1886, <i>re</i> Thompson (Battersea)	... 1 1 8									
Dwelling House Improvement Fund—										
<i>m</i> Half-year's rent (less tax) to Michaelmas, 1885, of stable and yard, &c., in rear of College-buildings, <i>re</i> Harmsworth (Trafalgar-road)	... 1 18 8									
Consolidated Loans Fund—										
<i>n</i> Retainer to counsel, <i>re</i> Wallis (Northumberland-avenue)	... 1 3 6									
								454	11	5
Fire Brigade Working Account—										
<i>o</i> One-quarter's rent of escape standing at Camberwell to Christmas, 1885	... 5 - -									
<i>p</i> Rent of lodgings for firemen, January, 1886	... 152 4 6									
Hampstead Improvements—										
<i>q</i> Special jury expenses, <i>re</i> Potter	... 34 18 -							192	2	6
Amounts to be paid through the Account—										
Bills, &c., for sums under £2—										
<i>r</i> General Working Account—										
Roberts, E.—Overflow tide-tables	£1 10 -									
Clarkson, A.—Carbonic acid for sewerage experiments	... - 12 6									
Stanley, W. F.—Drawing-instruments, Architect's department	1 12 -									
Shinkfield, J.—Repairs to implements	... - 3 5									
Burrell, W. F.—Repairs to gardening tools	... - 14 5									
Cocksedge and Co.—Iron tablet at Blackheath	... 1 10 -									
District Surveyors—Fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures	... 6 12 6									
					12	14	10			
<i>s</i> Streets (Act of 1883)—										
Wilson, Bristows and Carpmael—Copies of leases, &c., <i>re</i> Junkison (Bermondsey)	... 1 19 4									
<i>t</i> Consolidated Loans Fund—										
Belshaw, R.—Return of amount paid on behalf of the Board for taxes	... £1 17 8									
New River Co.—Rent of site in Percy-square, Clerkenwell, (sub-let)	... 1 9 -									
					3	6	8			
<i>u</i> Cox and Sons—Lithography, &c., December, 1885—										
General Working Account	... £- 3 6									
Streets (Act of 1877)	... 1 13 -									
					1	16	6			
Carried forward	...	£19	17	4	646	13	11	19,642	4	2

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	19,642	4	2
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &C., ACCOUNT—(continued)	...	...	...	19	17	4	646	13	11
Rates and taxes on premises occupied or taken by the Board—									
v General Working Account	...	...	...	154	16	3			
w Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	326	6	11			
x Dwelling House Improvement Fund	...	...	...	2	3	9			
y Streets (Act of 1872)	...	...	£21	13	4				
Streets (Act of 1877)	...	...	266	5	2				
Consolidated Loans Fund...	...	...	223	10	3				
				511	8	9			
							1,014	13	-
									1,661 6 11
									£21,303 11 1

Examined,
(signed) T. G. FARDELL,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
JN^o. LENANTON,
P. W. FUNNELL,
JN^o. ABBOTT,
WILLIAM URQUHART,
CHAS. HARRIS.

Certified,
(signed) A. GUNN,
Accountant.

The Statement of the Officers' Salaries, submitted with the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £21,303 11s. 1d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Fees specified in the Three summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to C inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Badger, C. J.	1	- 12 6	...	...	- 12 6
2	Blashill, T.	1	- 15 -	...	...	- 15 -
3	Carritt, E.	9	8 10 -	1	- 7 6	8 17 6
4	Clarkson, J.	1	2 5 -	1	- 12 6	2 17 6
5	Conder, A.	4	4 12 6	...	...	4 12 6
6	Fletcher, B.	3	3 - -	...	...	3 - -
7	Fowler, C.	2	1 10 -	2	1 - -	2 10 -
8	Hammon, H. J.	25	30 6 4	...	...	30 6 4
9	Hayward, C. F.	3	4 17 6	1	- 7 6	5 5 -
10	Kerr, R.	1	1 7 6	...	...	1 7 6
11	Lansdown, G.	1	- 17 6	...	...	- 17 6
12	Legg, H. S.	3	3 17 6	1	- 7 6	4 5 -
13	McDonell, G.	4	3 5 -	...	...	3 5 -
14	Markham, S. S.	1	- 15 -	...	...	- 15 -
	Carried forward	59	66 11 4	6	2 15 -	69 6 4

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	59	66 11 4	6	2 15 -	69 6 4
15	Notley, R. P. ...	7	11 10 -	...	...	11 10 -
16	Oliver, H. ...	2	2 12 6	4	1 10 -	4 2 6
17	Parsons, H. ...	4	5 7 6	...	...	5 7 6
18	Redman, J. B. ...	1	2 7 6	2	1 12 6	4 - -
19	Stenning, A. R. ...	2	1 15 -	1	- 7 6	2 2 6
20	Tanner, A. W. ...	6	4 15 -	...	...	4 15 -
21	Turner, J. G. ...	1	1 5 -	...	...	1 5 -
22	Walker, R. ...	3	4 7 6	...	...	4 7 6
23	Watson, T. H. ...	2	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
24	Williams, T. ...	1	1 2 6	2	1 - -	2 2 6
25	Woodward, J. A. J. ...	2	3 10 -	...	...	3 10 -
26	Williams, G. B. ...	1	1 - -	...	...	1 - -
		91	108 13 10	15	7 5 -	115 18 10

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the under-mentioned expenses, incident to shoring and hoarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
33,028	Workshop, Moiety-road, Millwall ...	- 12 7
33,311	13, Goswell-road, St. Luke's ...	3 11 7
33,314	8, Rutland-court, St. Luke's ...	3 11 8
34,368	Shed, Lower Market-street, Woolwich ...	- 12 7
33,356	9, Frenche's-fields, Deptford ...	7 11 1
33,408	41, Bond-street, Lambeth ...	- 4 5
33,738	42, Broad-street, St. James, Westminster ...	- 8 5
33,949	108, Wandsworth-road, Lambeth ...	11 12 6
34,411	Steer's-cottage, Woolwich ...	1 18 5
34,415	39, Sidney-street, Islington ...	- 10 1
		£ 30 13 4

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Statement now submitted, showing the Salaries payable to the Officers of the Board on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £2,948 16s. 8d., be approved, and that the Treasurer of the Board, the London and Westminster Bank (Limited), be authorised to pay the several sums specified in such Statement, to the persons entitled to receive the same.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £2,128 in favour of the Hackney District Board, being the amount of the Board's promised contributions towards the construction of the new Bridge over the River Lee, at Temple-mills.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, for permission to borrow, and also for the advance of a sum of £3,000, to defray the cost of asphalte and wood-paving, and sewerage works, be granted on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January, within a period of Five years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Strand Union for a Loan of a sum of £1,150 to defray the cost of purchasing a piece of land at Edmonton, adjoining their schools, and erecting a boundary fence thereto, be granted to the extent of £1,100, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January, within a period of Ten years; that the sum of £5 5s. be charged for Surveyor's Fee; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the School Board for London for a further Loan of a sum of £100,000, for providing or enlarging School-houses, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up by the 26th instant, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st January, within a period of Fifty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Solicitor be instructed to complete the Loan of £3,500, agreed by the Board on 23rd October last (No. 15), to be advanced to the Vestry of Hampstead to defray the cost of making certain alterations and additions to the Vestry Hall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Solicitor be instructed to complete the Loan of £6,000, agreed by the Board on 23rd October last (No. 15), to be advanced to the Vestry of Chelsea towards the cost of the erection of a Vestry Hall and additional Offices.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Guardians of the Poor of the Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town be informed, in reply to their enquiry, that the Board have funds out of which they could advance £5,000 to the Guardians provided the Reports of the Board's Officers are satisfactory, and that the rate of interest now being charged on Loans is £3 10s. per centum per annum.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the question of the probable further amount to be expended by the Board during the year 1886, under the Street Improvements Act of 1877, and also of the Board's borrowing power in relation thereto, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to procure the assent of the Treasury to such expenditure, and that the Engineer, the Superintending Architect and the Solicitor do report to the Committee on the subject.

The Clerk reported that he had received no reply from the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, to the communication addressed to them pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 15th January last.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the necessary steps be taken for levying a Rate on default on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, for payment of the second moiety of the Precept of this Board for the Consolidated Rate for the year 1885.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the person in custody of the Poor Rate of the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, be required to furnish a copy of the same to this Board within fourteen days from the service of an Order upon him to that effect.

Ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorised, and he is hereby authorised, to demand and receive from Joseph Henry Smith, he being the person having control of the Rate for the relief of the Poor in the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, in the County of Middlesex, a true copy of such Rate.

A form of Order was laid before the Board, requiring Joseph Henry Smith, he being the person having the control of the Rate for the relief of the Poor in the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, in the County of Middlesex, to furnish within fourteen days from the service thereof, to Thomas Coggin, he being the person duly authorised to demand and receive the same, a true copy of such Rate, on payment, or tender for such copy at the rate of sixpence for every twenty-four names, inclusive of all the particulars in the several columns of the said Rate, so far as such particulars have reference to such names respectively; such copy to be verified by the declaration referred to in the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Ordered—That the said form of Order be approved and adopted; that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto; and that such Order be served on the said Joseph Henry Smith, after the expiration of fourteen days from the date of a written notice to be given by the said Thomas Coggin to the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square.

The Seal of the Board was affixed to the said Order accordingly.

The Clerk reported that he had received no reply from the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, to the communication addressed to them pursuant to the Resolution of this Board of the 15th January last.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the necessary steps be taken for levying a Rate on default on the several Parishes in the Greenwich District, for payment of the second moiety of the Precept of this Board for the Consolidated Rate for the year 1885.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the person in custody of the Poor Rate of the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, be required to furnish a copy of the same to this Board within fourteen days from the service of an Order upon him to that effect.

Ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorised, and he is hereby authorised, to demand and receive from T. W. Marchant, he being the person having control of the Rate for the relief of the Poor in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the Counties of Surrey and Kent, a true copy of such Rate.

A form of Order was laid before the Board requiring T. W. Marchant, he being the person having the control of the Rate for the relief of the Poor in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the Counties of Surrey and Kent, to furnish within fourteen days from the service thereof, to Thomas Coggin, he being the person duly authorised to demand and receive the same, a true copy of such Rate, on payment, or tender for such copy at the rate of sixpence for every twenty-four names, inclusive of all the particulars in the several columns in the said Rate, so far as such particulars have reference to such names respectively; such copy to be verified by the declaration referred to in the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Ordered—That the said form of Order be approved and adopted; that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto; and that such Order be served on the said T. W. Marchant, after the expiration of fourteen days from the date of a written notice to be given by the said Thomas Coggin to the Vestry of St. Paul, Deptford.

The Seal of the Board was affixed to the said Order accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the person in custody of the Poor Rate of the Parish of St. Nicholas, Deptford, be required to furnish a copy of the same to this Board within fourteen days from the service of an Order upon him to that effect.

Ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorised, and he is hereby authorised, to demand and receive from W. R. Kersey, he being the person having control of the Rate for the relief of the Poor in the Parish of St. Nicholas, Deptford, in the County of Kent, a true copy of such Rate.

A form of Order was laid before the Board requiring W. R. Kersey, he being the person having the control of the Rate for the Relief of the Poor in the Parish of St. Nicholas, Deptford, in the County of Kent, to furnish within fourteen days from the service thereof, to Thomas Coggin, he being the person duly authorised to demand and receive the same, a true copy of such Rate, on payment or tender for such copy at the rate of sixpence for every twenty-four names, inclusive of all the particulars in the several columns of the said Rate, so far as such particulars have reference to such names respectively; such copy to be verified by the declaration referred to in the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Ordered—That the said form of Order be approved and adopted; that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto; and that such Order be served on the said W. R. Kersey after the expiration of fourteen days from the date of a written notice to be given by the said Thomas Coggin to the Vestry of St. Nicholas, Deptford.

The Seal of the Board was affixed to the said Order accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the person in custody of the Poor Rate of the Parish of Greenwich be required to furnish a copy of the same to this Board within fourteen days from the service of an Order upon him to that effect.

Ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorised, and he is hereby authorised, to demand and receive from W. Bristow, he being the person having control of the rate for the Relief of the Poor in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, a true copy of such rate.

A form of Order was laid before the Board requiring W. Bristow, he being the person having the control of the rate for the relief of the poor in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, to furnish within fourteen days from the service thereof, to Thomas Coggin, he being the person duly authorised to demand and receive the same, a true copy of such rate, on payment or tender for such copy at the rate of sixpence for every twenty-four names, inclusive of all the particulars in the several columns of the said Rate, so far as such particulars have reference to such names respectively; such copy to be verified by the declaration referred to in the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Ordered—That the said form of Order be approved and adopted; that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto; and that such Order be served on the said W. Bristow after the expiration of fourteen days from the date of a written notice to be given by the said Thomas Coggin to the Vestry of Greenwich.

The Seal of the Board was affixed to the said Order accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That the two Cheques, Nos. 541 and 542, dated 4th August, 1885, and drawn on the Streets (Act of 1883) Account in favour of Mrs. M. Jerman and Mr. J. K. Thomson, be now cancelled, in consequence of having been drawn longer than Three months.

The said Cheques were thereupon cancelled accordingly.

14. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 8th February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Streets (Act of 1872).</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Harrow-road)—(376)—</i>							
Bank of England—							
4846	Compensation for enfranchisement of Copyholds of Webb and Hickman, Sims and French, Blackwell, Wall, Paddon's Trustees, and Langham				899	2	6
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>							
<i>Re Glossop (Charing-cross)—(377)—</i>							
Young, Jones, Roberts and Hale—							
8604	Costs of Title and Conveyance	94	7	1			
<i>Re Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Kentish-town-road)—(378)—</i>							
Bank of England—							
8605	Compensation for enfranchisement of Copyholds of Eliot, E. Morgan, Richards and Limebeer, Neale, Salmon, Coker, Morgan's Trustees, W. E. Morgan and others, Weatherhead and Dent	1,103	15	-			
<i>Re Orford (Piccadilly)—(379)—</i>							
Miller, S. F., and Sons—							
8606	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	10	10	-			
<i>Re Blackwell and Crosse and Blackwell (Charing-cross)—(380)—</i>							
Allen and Son—							
8607	Preliminary costs, and of Title, &c.	37	15	4			
<i>Re Angus (Southwark-bridge-road)—(381 and 382)—</i>							
Rutter, W.—							
8608	Preliminary costs, and of Title, &c.	25	-	-			
8609	Interest on Purchase-money from Michaelmas, 1885, to 10th February, 1886 (less Tax) ...	44	7	2			
<i>Re Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Southwark-bridge-road)—(383)—</i>							
Bank of England—							
8610	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 115, Southwark-bridge-road	600	-	-			
White, Borrett and White—							
8611	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	14	14	-			
8612	Preliminary costs, as per Contract	10	10	-			
<i>Re Tucker (Jamaica-road)—(384)—</i>							
Hawks, Stokes and McKewan—							
8613	Preliminary costs, and of Title, &c.	14	-	-			
<i>Re Nicholson (Southwark-bridge-road)—(385)—</i>							
Coxwell, J. E.—							
8614	Preliminary costs, and of Title, &c.	4	16	4			
<i>Re Mead (Charing-cross)—(386)—</i>							
Mead, Robt.—							
8615	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy in No. 63, Crown-street, Soho, including Trade compensation	100	-	-			
Carried forward		£2,059	14	11	899	2	6

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	2,059	14 11	899	2 6	
Isaacs and Florence—								
8616	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	6	6 -			
<i>Re</i> Francis (Gray's-inn-road)—(387)—								
Francis and Co.—								
8617	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 174, Gray's-inn-road	...	...	£2,654	- -			
8618	Trade compensation	...	...	2,546	- -			
					5,200	- -		
Phillips, J. and J.—								
8619	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	...	...	14	- -			
<i>Re</i> Blythe (Charing-cross)—(388)—								
Blythe, S. W.—								
8620	Compensation for removal and loss of business (No. 37, Crown-street)	...	...	100	- -			
<i>Re</i> "Queen's Head" Beer-house (Charing-cross)—(389)—								
Fitzgerald, W.—								
8621	Fee in respect of the "Queen's Head" Beer-house, High-street, Bloomsbury, as per Order of Committee	...	...	4	4 -			
						7,384	4 11	
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re</i> Hewitt (Walworth-road)—(390)—								
Hewitt, James—								
778	Purchase-money for Fee-simple in No. 82, Walworth-road	...	...	1,650	- -			
Farebrother, Ellis, Clarke and Co.—								
779	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	23	2 -			
<i>Re</i> Puzzi (Upper-street, Islington)—(391)—								
Puzzi, Mrs. Alice—								
780	Purchase-money and compensation in respect of No. 2, Paradise-row	...	...	355	- -			
North, G.—								
781	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	...	12	12 -			
<i>Re</i> Wilkinson (Walworth-road)—(392)—								
Vigers, R.—								
782	Further Surveyor's Fee	...	...	6	6 -			
<i>Re</i> Taylor (South Lambeth)—(393)—								
London and Westminster Bank, Limited—								
783	Purchase-money for Copyhold of Nos. 138, 140, 142 and 144A, South Lambeth-road, Nos. 1 and 2, Cottage-place, and passage-way	...	...	5,200	- -			
Vigers, F., and Co.—								
784	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	40	19 -			
Phillips, J. and J.—								
785	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	...	...	26	- -			
<i>Re</i> Burl (Upper-street, Islington)—(394)—								
Cooper, W.—								
786	Preliminary costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	7	15 6			
	Carried forward	...	...	£7,321	14 6	8,283	7 5	

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	7,321	14	6	8,283	7	5
<i>Re Neale (Tower-hill)—(395)—</i>								
Neale, Michael—								
787	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 2 and 3, Postern-row, and No. 16, George-street	... ..	£1,570	-	-			
788	Trade compensation	... ..	530	-	-			
						2,100	-	-
Haynes, B.—								
789	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	... ..	28	7	-			
<i>Re Russell (Upper-street, Islington)—(396)—</i>								
Cooper, W.—								
790	Preliminary costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	10	2	4			
<i>Re Burton (Bermondsey)—(397)—</i>								
Burton, Alexander—								
791	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 14, Bermondsey-new-road	... ..	£200	-	-			
792	Trade compensation	... ..	500	-	-			
						700	-	-
Fuller and Fuller—								
793	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	... ..	15	15	-			
<i>Re St. Mary's Churchyard (Upper-street, Islington)—(398)—</i>								
Ballard, E.—								
794	Expenses incurred in removal of the remains of four of his relatives to Woking Cemetery	... ..	12	3	-			
<i>Re Grosvenor (Upper-street, Islington)—(399)—</i>								
Grosvenor, S.—								
795	Compensation for loss of business and removal from No. 324, Upper-street	... ..	60	-	-			
<i>Re Hewitt (Walworth-road)—(400)—</i>								
Vigo, D.—								
796	Assistance on Trade claim	... ..	6	6	-			
<i>Re Barnes (Walworth-road)—(401)—</i>								
Wilcocke, H.—								
797	Assistance on Trade claim	... ..	9	9	-			
								10,263 16 10
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re Wells and Campden Charity—(402)—</i>								
Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 1 to 4, Well's-cottages—								
282	Bank of England for Chancery—	£575	-	-				
283	Wilson, Sir S. M. M., per Bell, Stewards and May	... ..	25	-	-			
						600	-	-
Legg, H. S.—								
284	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	... ..	14	14	-			
<i>Re Lovell—(403)—</i>								
Lovell, Son and Pitfield—								
285	Preliminary costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	57	8	2			
								672 2 2
	Carried forward	... ..				£19,219	6	5

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...			...	19,219	6	5
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>									
<i>Re Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Putney)—(404)—</i>									
Bank of England—									
17	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of land (part of garden of Ashton-lodge)...	...	...	480	-	-			
Cluttons,—									
18	Surveyors' Fee	...	...	13	13	-			
							493	13	
<i>Bridges (Act of 1883).</i>									
<i>Re Cowan (Hammersmith)—(405)—</i>									
Cowan, Jno., and Cowan, Phineas—									
3	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of land in Barnes-bridge-road	...	...	400	-	-			
Montagu, H.—									
4	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract...	...	...	6	6	-			
Cowan, Jno., and Cowan, Phineas—(406)—									
5	Compensation for temporary user of land...	...	...	300	-	-			
Montagu, H.—									
6	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract...	...	...	9	9	-			
							715	15	-
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>									
<i>Re Mulkern and Runtz (Trafalgar-road)—(407)—</i>									
Poncione and Leggatt—									
5649	Preliminary costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	21	-	-			
<i>Re Wray (Trafalgar-road)—(408)—</i>									
Howard and Shelton—									
5650	Preliminary costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	36	-	-			
<i>Re Williams (Tench-street)—(409)—</i>									
Williams, Mrs. Caroline Sarah—									
5651	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 39, Green-bank	...	...	335	-	-			
Moore, C. C. and T.—									
5652	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	11	11	-			
<i>Re Briggs' Trustees (Windmill-row)—(410)—</i>									
Trollope, G., and Sons—									
5653	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	14	18	6			
<i>Re Maybury (Tench-street)—(411)—</i>									
Maybury, William Augustus—									
5654	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 9, 13, 15 and 17, Lower Well-alley	...	...	268	-	-			
<i>Re Smallwood (Trafalgar-road)—(412)—</i>									
Ingle, Cooper and Holmes—									
5655	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	...	12	-	-			
<i>Re Covington (Little Coram-street)—(413)—</i>									
Covington, Jno.—									
5656	Compensation for damage to Party-wall and structure of No. 9, Tavistock-place	...	...	150	-	-			
Clarkson, J. and S. F.—									
5657	Surveyors' charges	...	...	10	10	-			
							858	19	6
							£21,287	13	11

Your Committee have also drawn a Cheque as follows in lieu of a Cheque cancelled, in consequence of having been in hand longer than Three months—

Streets (Act of 1883).

Re Durst (Tower-hill)—(2157—1885)—

Durst, Mrs. Annie—

798	Compensation	...	...	...	...	£50	-	-
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Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the various schemes for new Tramways, with respect to which Bills have been deposited for introduction into Parliament, or applications made to the Board of Trade for Provisional Orders. They have also considered the applications made on behalf of the Promoters for the Board's consent to the schemes, and the numerous Memorials and representations which have been made to the Board both for and against the proposed Tramways. Your Committee are not at present prepared to report upon the whole of the schemes, but with regard to those on which they have concluded their deliberations, they beg to submit the following recommendations—

That the consent of the Board be not given to the London, Highgate and Finchley Tramways Scheme, the Promoters of which have applied to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order.

That upon the Promoters of the London Street Tramways Extensions Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form Tramways Nos. 3A, 3B (part of Chalk-farm-road and Adelaide-road) and Nos. 8 and 8A (Gray's-inn-road); to insert a Clause providing that Tramway No. 1 shall not be made until Highgate-archway shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of Islington; that Tramway No. 3 shall not be made until the road shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of St. Pancras; and that Tramways Nos. 5B, 5C, 5D and 5E in Junction-road shall not be made until Junction-road shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of Islington; and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

That on the Promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 1) Bill, giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form Tramways No. 1 (Theobald's-road), No. 2 (Gray's-inn-road), and No. 5 (Leman-street), and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

That the consent of the Board be not given to the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme, the Promoters of which have applied to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. J. Davis, referred on 20th November last (No. 36), calling attention to the inconvenience of having a Tramway terminus opposite one of the entrances of Finsbury-park. Your Committee find that the terminus referred to was authorised by the North London Tramways Act, 1882, so that the Board have no power to interfere with respect to it. It is, moreover, outside the Metropolitan boundary. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Davis be so informed.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd ultimo (No. 5), your Committee have again given consideration to the question of the name to be applied to the new street from Piccadilly-circus to New Oxford-street, and as the result of their further deliberations they beg to recommend—

That the new thoroughfare be named "Shaftesbury-avenue."

Your Committee have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 29th ultimo (No. 10), referring to them the question whether the Board's General Order of 18th December, 1885 (No. 6), referring to the Finance Committee "the whole management of the property which has been leased by the Board," was intended to include the reference to them of applications for structural alterations to buildings leased by the Board. Your Committee have to state that it was not their intention that those

applications should be included in the reference to the Finance Committee, and they recommend—

That such applications do remain, as hitherto, to be dealt with by the Works and General Purposes Committee.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 29th ultimo (No. 31), from the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, relative to the proposal in the Board's Various Powers Bill to form an approach from the Victoria Embankment to Charing-cross Foot-bridge, and expressing a hope that the Board would extend the improvement to the formation of an approach to the Foot-bridge on a level with the Strand. Your Committee are informed by your Solicitor that such a provision as that asked for could not be introduced into the Bill without the suspension of the Standing Orders of Parliament, and they recommend—

That the Vestry be informed that the Board are not prepared to comply with the request.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the Secretary of State, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 37), transmitting a printed copy of the Hampstead-heath Enlargement Bill, 1866, and requesting to be favoured with the Board's observations thereon, and to be informed whether the views of the various bodies alluded to in Section 4 of the Bill had been ascertained. Your Committee recommend—

That the Secretary of State be informed that, whilst the Board are not prepared to express approval of the same, they have decided not to petition against it; and that, in reply to the enquiry whether the views of the various bodies alluded to in Section 4 have been ascertained, the Secretary of State be informed that the Board have not promoted the Bill, and believe that the Promoters have not ascertained the views of the various bodies concerned.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, referred on the 18th December last (No. 37), referring to this Board's Letter as to the proposed widening and heightening of the West London Extension Railway Company's Bridge over Latchmere-road, Battersea; transmitting a copy of a draft Agreement with the Company for the carrying out of the Improvement, and applying for the consent of this Board to the terms thereof. Your Solicitor has, by direction of your Committee, been in communication with the District Board, with a view of obtaining some modifications suggested by the Engineer of this Board in the Plan of the proposed work. Those modifications have been agreed to with one exception, the Railway Company having declined to reduce the space between the soffit of the Bridge and the rail level. Your Committee, after due consideration, are not prepared to advise the Board to press that condition, and they therefore submit the draft Agreement, as settled, and recommend—

That the same be approved.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
P. W. FUNNELL,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. SHEPHERD,
GEO. EDWARDS,
AND. MIDDLEMASS,
GEORGE PHILLIPS.

The Draft Agreement between the Wandsworth District Board and the London and South-Western Railway Company, submitted with the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the consent of the Board

be not given to the London, Highgate and Finchley Tramways Scheme, the Promoters of which have applied to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order.

The Clerk laid before the Board the Memorials and Letter, presented this day, relative to the London Street Tramways Extensions and North Metropolitan Tramways Bills.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That, upon the Promoters of the London Street Tramways Extensions Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form Tramways Nos. 3A, 3B (part of Chalk-farm-road and Adelaide-road), and Nos. 8 and 8A (Gray's-inn-road); to insert a Clause providing that Tramway No. 1 shall not be made until Highgate-archway shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of Islington; that Tramway No. 3 shall not be made until the road shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of St. Pancras; and that Tramways Nos. 5B, 5C, 5D and 5E in Junction-road shall not be made until Junction-road shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of Islington; and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

An *amendment* thereon was *moved* by Mr. Wetenhall, and seconded by Mr. Phillips, "That the *motion* be amended by the omission of the words "and Nos. 8 and 8a (Gray's-inn-road.)"

After discussion the *amendment* was put to the vote, when there were for it 22, against it 16.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down when there were—

For the Amendment—25.

Andrews, W., Esq.	Hughes, Lieut.-
Bonthron, J., Esq.	Colonel, M.P.
Boucher, W., Esq.	Jolly, J. R., Esq.
Bradfield, J. E.,	Middlemass, A., Esq.
Esq.	Mossop, C., Esq.
Brown, G., Esq.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Richardson, G. B.,
Cox, F., Esq.	Esq.
Debenham, W., Esq.	Robson, W., Esq.
Ewin, A., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.,
Fardell, T. G., Esq.	Deputy.
Furniss, R., Esq.	Webster, R. G., Esq.
Garrett, W. B.,	Williams, T. W.,
Esq.	Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Wenborn, Capt.

Teller—Mr. Wetenhall.

Against the Amendment—16.

Edwards, G., Esq.	Ingoldby, F., Esq.
Egerton, Hon. A.	Jones, R., Esq.
de Tatton, M.P.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Fairclough, T. M.,	Selway, W. R., Esq.
Esq.	Shepherd, W., Esq.
Funnell, P. W., Esq.	Tolhurst, J., Esq.
Fowler, Sir R. N.,	Urquhart, W., Esq.
Bart., Ald., M.P.	Weir, B., Esq.
Harben, H., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Fowler.

And it was declared by the Chairman to be carried.

The *amendment* was then put as an *original motion*.

Whereupon an *amendment* was *moved* by Lieut.-Col. Hughes, M.P., and seconded by Mr. Selway—That, upon the Promoters of the London Street Tramways Extensions Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form Tramways Nos. 3A, 3B (part of Chalk-farm-road and Adelaide-road); to insert a Clause providing that Tramway No. 1 shall not be made until Highgate-archway shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of Islington; that Tramway No. 3, and Tramways Nos. 8 and 8A (Gray's-inn-road), shall not be made until the roads shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of St. Pancras; and

that Tramways Nos. 5B, 5C, 5D and 5E in Junction-road, shall not be made until Junction-road shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of Islington; and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

The amendment was by leave of the Board withdrawn.

The original motion was then put to the vote and declared by the Chairman to be carried, and it was resolved—That, upon the Promoters of the London Street Tramways Extensions Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form Tramways Nos 3A, 3B (part of Chalk-farm-road and Adelaide-road); to insert a Clause providing that Tramway No. 1 shall not be made until Highgate-archway shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of Islington; that Tramway No. 3 shall not be made until the road shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of St. Pancras; and that Tramways Nos. 5B, 5C, 5D and 5E in Junction-road shall not be made until Junction-road shall have been widened to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of Islington; and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, and seconded,—That, upon the Promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 1) Bill, giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form Tramways No. 1 (Theobald's-road), No. 2 (Gray's-inn-road), and No. 5 (Leman-street), and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Phillips, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Robson—That, upon the Promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 1) Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form the Tramways Nos. 2 and 5, and to provide that Tramway No. 1 along Theobald's-road shall not be carried further West than Devonshire-street, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

After discussion the amendment was put to the vote, when there were for it 20, against it 17.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—20.

Andrews, W., Esq.	Jolly, J. R., Esq.
Bonthron, J., Esq.	Middlemass, A.,
Bradfield, J. E.,	Esq.
Esq.	Richardson, G. B.,
Brown, G., Esq.	Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Robson, W., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.,	Saunders, J. E.,
M.P.	Esq., Deputy.
Cox, F., Esq.	Wetenhall, W. J.,
Ewin, A., Esq.	Esq.
Furniss, R., Esq.	Williams, T. W.,
Harris, C., Esq.	Esq.
Hughes, Lieut.-	Wenborn, Captain.
Col., M.P.	

Teller—Mr. Phillips.

Against the Amendment—17.

Boutcher, W., Esq.	Lindsay, W. A., Esq.
Debenham, W., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Edwards, G., Esq.	Selway, W. R., Esq.
Egerton, Hon. A.	Shepherd, W., Esq.
de Tatton, M.P.	Urquhart, W., Esq.
Funnell, P. W., Esq.	Webster, R. G.,
Harben, H., Esq.	Esq.
Ingoldby, F., Esq.	Weir, B., Esq.
Jones, R., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Fowler.

And it was declared by the Chairman to be carried.

The amendment was then put as an **original motion**, and it was also carried ; and it was thereupon **resolved**—That, upon the Promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 1) Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form the Tramways Nos. 2 and 5, and to provide that Tramway No. 1 along Theobald's-road, shall not be carried further West than Devonshire-street, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the consent of the Board be not given to the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme, the Promoters of which have applied to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order.

An amendment thereon was **moved** by Mr. Cameron, and seconded by Mr. Cook, M.P.—That the further consideration of the subject be adjourned until this day fortnight.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried ; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That Mr. J. Davis be informed that inasmuch as the Tramway terminus opposite one of the entrances to Finsbury-park was authorised by the North London Tramways Act, 1882, and it is outside the Metropolitan boundary, the Board have no power to interfere with respect to it.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the new line of thoroughfare between Piccadilly-circus and New Oxford-street be named "Shaftesbury-avenue."

An amendment thereon was **moved** by Mr. Lindsay, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the thoroughfare be named "Ashley-street."

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it, 2 ; against it, 23 ; and it was lost.

A further amendment was then **moved** by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Wetenhall—That the thoroughfare be named "Dudley-street."

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it, 13 ; against it, 21 ; and it was lost.

A further amendment was then **moved** by Lieut.-Col. Hughes, M.P., and seconded by Mr. Webster—That the thoroughfare be named "Shaftesbury-street."

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 12, against it 18 ; and it was lost.

A further amendment was then **moved** by Mr. Boutcher, and seconded by Mr. Selway—That the thoroughfare be named "St. Giles'-street."

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 7, against it 23 ; and it was lost.

A further amendment was then **moved** by Mr. Fardell, and seconded by Mr. Selway—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 8, against it 22 ; and it was lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, when there were for it 23 ; against it 8.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down when there were—

For the Motion—24.

Abbott, J., Esq.	Jolly, J. R., Esq.
Andrews, W., Esq.	Jones, J., Esq.
Bonthron, J., Esq.	Middlemass, A., Esq.
Bradfield, J. E., Esq.	Phillips, G., Esq.
Brown, G., Esq.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.,	
M.P.	Robson, W., Esq.
Edwards, G., Esq.	Urquhart, W., Esq.
Garrett, W. B., Esq.	Webster, R. G., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	
Hughes, Lieut.-Col.,	White, T. J., Esq.
M.P.	Williams, T. W., Esq.
Ingoldby, F., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Fowler.

Against the Motion—9.

Boucher, W., Esq.	Tolhurst, J., Esq.
Ewin, A., Esq.	Wetenhall, W. J., Esq.
Fardell, T. G., Esq.	
Lindsay, W. A., Esq.	Wenborn, Captain.
Shepherd, W., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Selway.

And it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and it was thereupon *resolved*—That the new line of thoroughfare between Piccadilly-circus and New Oxford-street be named “Shaftesbury-avenue.”

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the General Order passed by the Board on the 18th December last (No. 6), referring to the Finance Committee “the whole management of the property which “has been leased by the Board,” be approved, and that applications for structural alterations to buildings leased by the Board be dealt with as hitherto by the Works and General Purposes Committee.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, be informed, in reply to their Letter, asking the Board to extend the proposed approach from the Charing-cross Foot-bridge to the Victoria Embankment, to the formation of an approach to the Footbridge, on a level with the Strand, that as the provision could not be introduced into the Board’s Bill, unless the Standing Orders of Parliament were suspended, the Board are not prepared to comply with the request of the Vestry.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Home Secretary be informed, in reply to his Letter asking for the observations of the Board upon the Hampstead-heath Enlargement Bill, that, whilst the Board are not prepared to express approval of the same, they have decided not to petition against it; and that, in reply to his enquiry whether the views of the various bodies alluded to in Section 4 of the Bill have been ascertained, the Home Secretary be informed that the Board have not promoted the Bill, and that they believe that the Promoters thereof have not ascertained the views of the various bodies concerned.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board as to the proposed widening and heightening of the West London Extension Railway Company’s Bridge over Latchmere-road, Battersea, and the draft Agreement between the District Board and the Company, be approved, and that the Solicitor do communicate to the District Board the sanction of this Board to the Draft Agreement now submitted.

15. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 2nd February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 6th November last (No. 8), referring back for further consideration and

report, the application of Mr. G. Mannors, that Elizabeth-street, Hans-place, might be re-named "Hans-crescent," as there was another Elizabeth-street in the same postal district. The Vestry of Chelsea, when consulted upon the original application, suggested that Elizabeth-street should be named "Hans-road," and the Vestry of Kensington subsequently concurred in that alteration. At a later date the Vestry of Chelsea forwarded to the Board a Letter from the Solicitors to the widow of General Sir Herbert Stewart, requesting that the street might be re-named "Herbert-place," and the Vestry expressed a hope that the suggestion might be adopted. Your Committee, however, are unable to concur in that view, and they recommend—

That Elizabeth-street, Hans-place, and Queen-street, Brompton-road, be incorporated under the name "Hans-road, S.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

Your Committee have also to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
30th April, 1884.	Vestry of Islington, for the incorporation of Hayes-place, Paradise-place and Victoria-place, with Dibden-street, Essex-road.
27th January, 1885, and 26th February, 1885.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-numbering the houses in certain streets in their Parish.
3rd May, 1881.	Greenwich District Board, for re-numbering the houses in certain streets in their District.
7th October, 1885.	Mr. T. W. Vine, complaining of inconvenience arising from the existence of two Grange-roads in the N. postal district, and suggesting that Grange-road, Stoke Newington, should be re-named.
8th April, 1885.	Vestry of Camberwell, for re-numbering the houses in Amott-road, East Dulwich.
12th June, 1885.	Fulham District Board, for re-numbering the houses in Dieppe-street, Fulham
10th November, 1885.	Mr. H. Nunnerley, for re-naming Trinity-road, Christ-church-road, Lambeth, "Hillside-road, S.W."
16th December, 1885.	Owners and Occupiers of houses in Victoria-road, Lewisham-hill, requesting that the road may be re-named "Blackheath-rise, S.E."
9th January, 1886.	Plumstead District Board, requesting that Pope-street and part of Cross-lane, Eltham, may be re-named "Southwood-road."

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That Hayes-place, Dibden-street (late Paradise-place), and Victoria-place, Islington, be incorporated under the name "Dibden-street, N.," and the houses re-numbered.

That Ascham-street and Dunollie-road, St. Pancras, be incorporated under the name "Dunollie-road, N.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That Carrol-road and Chetwynd-road, St. Pancras, be incorporated under the name "Chetwynd-road, N.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That certain irregularly-numbered houses and premises on the Southern side of Pentonville-road, be re-numbered.

That Fifteen-foot-lane and St. Chad's-place, Gray's-inn-road, be incorporated under the name "St. Chad's-place, W.C.," and the houses re-numbered.

That Seymour-row and Euston-mews East, be incorporated under the name "Seymour-row, N.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Swinton-street, Gray's-inn-road, be re-numbered.

That Paradise-street, Gray's-inn-road, be re-named "Wicklow-street, W.C.," in continuation of the existing street of that name.

That the houses in Hyde-street, High-street, Deptford, be re-numbered.

That Hyde-street, Clifton-hill, Deptford, be re-named "Achilles-street, S.E."

That Seymour-place and Crambrooke (otherwise Cranbrook)-street, Deptford, be incorporated under the name "Cranbrook-street, S.E.," and the houses re-numbered.

That Seymour-street, High-street, Deptford, be re-named "Ffinch-street S.E." and the houses re-numbered.

That Grange-road, Stoke Newington, be re-named "Burma-road, N."

That the houses in Amott-road, East Dulwich, be re-numbered.

That the subsidiary name in Dieppe-street, Fulham, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered where necessary.

That Trinity-road, Christchurch-road, Lambeth, be re-named "Hillside-road, S.W."

That Victoria-road, Lewisham-hill, be re-named "Blackheath-rise, S.E.," the subsidiary name abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That Pope-street and Cross-lane, Eltham (*i.e.*, the road branching from Green-lane and continuing to Footscray-road, and thence in a North-Easterly direction to the four cross roads in the main Bexley-road), be re-named "Southwood-road."

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
WM. SHEPHERD,
W. R. SELWAY.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886 appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Queen-street and Elizabeth-street, in the respective Parishes of St. Mary Abbott's, Kensington and Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,630, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 59, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 48, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Queen-street and Elizabeth-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Hans-road, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestries of Kensington and Chelsea, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Hayes-place, Dibden-street (formerly Paradise-place) and Victoria-place, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 21, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,631, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Hayes-place, Paradise-place and Victoria-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Dibden-street, N.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Ascham-street and Dunollie-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,632, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 45, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 40, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the name Ascham-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Dunollie-road, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Carrol-road and Chetwynd-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,633, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 121, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 112, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Carrol-road, Ridgeway-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Carrol-road and Chetwynd-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Chetwynd-road, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, certain houses and premises on the Southern side of Pentonville-road, in the respective Parishes of Clerkenwell and St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be numbered with odd numbers commencing with 247 and ending with 297, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,634, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestries of Clerkenwell and St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and

premises in St. Chad's-place and Fifteen Foot-lane, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,635, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 11, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 16, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the name Fifteen Foot-lane, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole be called "St. Chad's-place, W.C.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Seymour-row and Euston-mews, East, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,636, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 21, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 22, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the name Euston-mews, East, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole be called "Seymour-row, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Swinton-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,637, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 71, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 78, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Swinton-street, W.C.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Paradise-street, Gray's-inn-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Wicklow-street, W.C." in continuation of the existing street of that name, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant

to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Hyde-street, High-street, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,638, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 71, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 82, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Hyde-street, S.E.” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, Hyde-street, Clifton-hill, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be re-named “Achilles-street, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Seymour-place and Crambrooke otherwise Cranbrook-street, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,639, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 19, being assigned to the houses on the North-Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 42, to those on the South-Western side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Friendly-street; that the names Seymour-place, Crambrooke-street, Sisters-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Seymour-place and Cranbrook-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Cranbrook-street, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Seymour-street, High-street, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,640, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 21, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing

with 2 and ending with 34, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Seymour-street, Barrow-cottages, Thomas-place, and any other name or names now in use in Seymour-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole be called "Ffinch-street, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Grange-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Stoke Newington, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Burma-road, N.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Amott-road, in the Parish of Camberwell, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,641, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 45, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 72, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Amott-road, S.E.;" and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Camberwell, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Beaumont-place, in the Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,642, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 63 and ending with 73, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 50 and ending with 56, to those on the Eastern side; that the name Beaumont-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare from North-end-road to Beaumont-road be called "Dieppe-street, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Fulham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded

by Mr. Ingoldby—That Trinity-road, Christchurch-road, in the Parish of Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be re-named “Hillside-road, S.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Victoria-road, Lewisham-hill, in the Parish of Lewisham, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,643, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 15, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 6, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Victoria-road, Ide-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Victoria-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Blackheath-rise, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Pope-street and Cross-lane (*i.e.*, the road branching from Green-lane and continuing to Footscray-road, and thence in a North-Easterly direction to the four cross roads in the main Bexley-road), in the Parish of Eltham, in the County of Kent, be re-named “Southwood-road,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

16. Mr. Phillips, in the absence of Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 9th February, 1886.

Your Committee submit a list of 48 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and they recommend—

That in 41 cases Licenses be granted to keep a quantity not exceeding 10 gallons of Petroleum in each case at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91; that in 2 cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in a store situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90, and that in 5 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in the manner described in such Licenses.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

F. M. WENBORN,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
BENJ^N. WEIR.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded, and resolved—That Licenses be granted to the Forty-eight persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolution were laid before the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

17. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 10th February, 1886.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the state of the carriage road in Finsbury-park, leading from the Blackstock-road entrance, shown on the Plan submitted herewith, and also to the condition of the granite pitching at the same entrance. Your Committee are informed that this road and pitching are at present in a condition liable to cause accidents to vehicles, and they therefore recommend—

That they be authorised to have the necessary works of repair executed at an estimated cost of £200.

Your Committee have had their attention called to the necessity for executing certain works of drainage and levelling on Highbury-fields, and, as the present seems a desirable time for doing such works, your Committee recommend—

That they be authorised to receive and accept Tenders for any works of the kind which they may deem necessary.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 2nd October, 1885 (No. 38), your Committee have considered the desirability of forming a lake in one of the gravel pits on Blackheath near Greenwich-park, as suggested by the Greenwich District Board; but, inasmuch as the outlay is estimated at £9,000, and there are already four ponds on the Heath, your Committee are not prepared to recommend the Board to form the lake referred to.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the flooding of a portion of Eelbrook-common, near its Western boundary, from water passing from roads in the immediate vicinity which are not made up or taken charge of by the District Board. Your Committee consider that the best means to adopt in order to prevent the flooding, is to call upon the Fulham District Board to make up the roads from which the water passes on to the Common, and they therefore recommend—

That the Solicitor do, on behalf of the Board, make the necessary application to the District Board in the matter.

Your Committee have to recommend—

That the Licenses held by the following persons for the letting of animals, &c., on hire on Blackheath, be renewed, on the usual conditions, for one year from the 4th February, 1886—

44. William Harris, No. 2, Laurel-gardens, South-street, Greenwich.
45. John Gibbs, No. 40, Stanhope-street, Deptford.
68. Alfred Murphy, No. 13, Watson-street, New-cross-road.
70. Mary Brown, Myrtle-cottage, No. 1, King-street, Blackheath-hill, Lewisham.
71. John Self, No. 31, Ropeyard-rails, Woolwich.

Your Committee have had their attention drawn to the quantity of clothing which is supplied annually by the Board for the use of certain of their regular employes in the Parks and Gardens, and also for the Common Keepers on Open Spaces. Your Committee consider that the quantity of clothing should be definitely settled by the Board, and, as the staff at the places mentioned is now fixed, they have had the

following list, prepared which they beg to submit for approval and adoption by the Board—

Park Superintendents.

One hat	}	every year
Two pairs of boots		
One overcoat	}	every two years.
One pair of leggings		

Park and Garden Foremen.

One hat	}	every year.
Two pairs of boots		
One overcoat	}	every two years.
One pair of leggings		
One cape every three years.		

Park and Gymnasium Keepers.

One hat	}	every year.
Two pairs of boots		
One overcoat	}	every two years.
One pair of leggings		
One coat		
One vest		
Two pairs of trousers	}	
One cape every three years.		

Labourers in Parks and Gardens.

Two hats every year.

Common Keepers.

One tunic	}	every year.
One helmet (Seniors a cap)		
One pair of leggings		
Two pairs of boots		
Two pairs of trousers		
Three pairs of gloves		
One overcoat every two years.		
One cape every three years.		
One belt every five years.		

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 5th instant, your Committee have considered whether R. Devine, late a First-class Fireman in the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, who was injured at a fire in November last, is suitable for the post of Common Keeper. Having regard to the fact that Devine has practically lost the entire use of one hand, and that Common Keepers have frequently to deal with very rough characters, your Committee do not consider that he would be suitable for employment in that capacity.

Your Committee are authorised by a Resolution of the Board of the 27th June, 1879, to employ men, when necessary, to mow the grass in the Board's Parks, and they are further authorised by a Resolution of the 9th January, 1880, to employ labourers in connection with the trees or the maintenance of the Open Spaces. The arrangements which your Committee have from time to time thought it necessary to make, are perhaps somewhat more extensive than those Resolutions may be thought to cover, and, as your Committee have recently been considering the arrangements, and have made some general Regulations on the subject, they think it desirable to report their proceedings for the information of the Board. The Regulations made by your Committee are as follows—

1.—That in future the daily labouring staff which may be employed by the Superintendents of Finsbury-park or of Southwark-park respectively, under the

supervision and subject to the Certificate of the Superintending Architect, in connection with the following Parks, Gardens, and Open Spaces, do not exceed the following—

<i>For Finsbury-park.</i>					s.	d.	
1 leading propagator	...	...	...	at	6	6	per day.
1 leading park keeper	...	...	...	,,	5	0	,,
1 foreman of garden labourers	...	...	...	,,	5	0	,,
19 labourers at wages not exceeding	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,
5 boy labourers at wages not exceeding	...	...	...	,,	2	0	,,
1 carpenter	...	...	...	,,	5	6	,,
1 woman (cloak room attendant)	...	...	...	,,	4	0	per week.

<i>For Southwark-park.</i>					s.	d.	
1 foreman of garden labourers	...	...	...	at	5	0	per day.
1 propagator	...	...	...	,,	4	6	,,
14 garden labourers	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,
1 boy labourer	...	...	...	,,	1	8	,,

For the Victoria Embankment and Leicester-square Gardens.

					s.	d.	
1 foreman of garden labourers	...	...	...	at	5	0	,,
9 garden labourers	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,

For the Chelsea Embankment-gardens.

					s.	d.	
1 leading garden labourer	...	...	...	at	4	6	per day.
2 garden labourers...	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,

On Hampstead-heath.

					s.	d.	
1 leading labourer	...	...	...	at	4	6	per day.
1 labourer	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,

On the Western Commons, i.e., Wormwood-scrubs, Shepherd's-bush-common, Brook-green, Eel-brook-common, and Parson's-green.

					s.	d.	
1 leading labourer	...	...	...	at	4	6	per day.
1 labourer	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,

On the Hackney and Highbury Commons, i.e., Hackney-downs, Well-street-common, North-mill-field, South-mill-field, London-fields, Stoke Newington-common, Clapton-common, and Highbury-fields.

					s.	d.	
1 leading labourer	...	...	...	at	4	6	per day.
1 labourer	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,

On Bostall-heath and Plumstead-common.

					s.	d.	
1 labourer	...	...	...	at	4	0	per day.

On Blackheath.

					s.	d.	
1 leading labourer	...	...	...	at	4	6	per day.
1 labourer	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,

On Peckham-rye.

					s.	d.	
1 labourer	...	...	...	at	4	0	per day.
1 boy labourer	...	...	...	,,	2	0	,,

On the Streatham Commons.

					s.	d.	
1 labourer	...	...	...	at	4	0	per day.

On the Tooting Commons.

					s.	d.	
1 leading labourer...	...	...	...	at	4	6	per day.
1 labourer	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,

<i>On Clapham-common.</i>					s.	d.	
1 leading labourer...	...	...	...	at	4	6	per day.
1 labourer	...	...	...	,,	4	0	,,

That, during the mowing season the Superintendent of Finsbury-park and the Superintendent of Southwark-park be each authorised to employ, under the supervision and subject to the Certificate of the Superintending Architect, additional labourers, not to exceed six, for mowing the Commons in their respective districts.

That all pay-sheets for labourers' wages in connection with Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces be signed by the Superintending Architect, on his being satisfied of their correctness, previous to the wages being paid by the Accountant; and that every labourer be paid personally by an Officer of the Accountant's Department.

That there be placed on the Agenda for each meeting of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee a statement of the amount paid for overtime at each of the Parks and Gardens since the previous meeting; and that no overtime be allowed to any of the labourers employed on the Open Spaces without a special order of the Committee.

That whenever horse hire is required in connection with any of the Parks, Gardens, or Open Spaces, notice of the requirement be inserted in the Agenda before the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee are asked to sanction it.

Under the authority conferred on them by the Board on the 13th June, 1873 (No. 13), your Committee have authorised the purchase of timber and seeds, &c., for use in Finsbury-park and the Victoria and Chelsea Embankment Gardens; some birch brooms for Southwark-park, and poles for the Southern Open Spaces. Your Committee have also authorised the supply of coal and coke for the greenhouse furnace in Southwark-park, and some gravel and shell for laying on the margins of the Lake at that place, and also that some slight repairs be executed to the Lodge at Blackheath and to the watch boxes on Streatham-common.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. E. BRADFIELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W^M SHEPHERD,
GEORGE HILL,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Plan and the list of clothing submitted with the Report were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the carriage-road in Finsbury-park, leading from the Blackstock-road entrance to the Fountain, as shown by Red colour on the Plan now submitted, be re-metalled, and that the granite pitching at the Blackstock-road entrance gates be taken up and re-laid at a total estimated cost of £200.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Committee be authorised to accept Tenders for the carrying out of any drainage and levelling works on Highbury-fields, which they may consider necessary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, and seconded—That, in the opinion of the Board, it is not desirable to incur the expenditure which would be necessary for forming a lake in the gravel-pit on Blackheath, near Greenwich-park, as suggested by the Greenwich District Board.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Andrews—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 6, against it 14; and it was lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, and seconded—That the Solicitor be instructed, on behalf of this Board, to make the necessary application to the Fulham District Board to take steps for having the roads near the Western boundary of Eel-brook-common put into such a condition that the Common will not be flooded therefrom.

The motion having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That Licenses for One year from the 4th instant, but revocable at any time during the pleasure of the Board, be granted to the persons mentioned in the list submitted by the Committee, to let animals and vehicles on hire, on week days only, on Blackheath.

The Clerk laid before the Board the several Licenses prepared in accordance with the foregoing Resolution.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the several Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the revised list, now submitted, of the clothing to be supplied to such of the men at the Board's Parks and Open Spaces as receive an allowance of uniform from the Board, be approved and adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the Board concur in the opinion of the Committee, that R. Devine, late a First-class Fireman in the Fire Brigade, is not physically suited for the post of Common Keeper.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the Regulations made by the Committee with respect to the employment of labour in the Board's Parks and Gardens, and at their Open Spaces, be approved.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Ewin—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an original motion, it was also carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in the Report, be approved.

18. Mr. Shepherd, the Chairman of the Bridges Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BRIDGES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 10th February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, referred on the 11th December last (No. 2), as to the bad condition of the approaches from Battersea-bridge-road to the temporary Foot-bridge over the Thames at Battersea, and asking this Board to cause the approaches to be maintained in good order. Upon an examination of the approaches to the temporary Bridge, your Engineer found that the state of Wellington-road, one of the roads leading to the temporary Bridge, and which has not yet been taken charge of by the District Board, was very unsatisfactory, and that the condition of that road was

to some extent the cause of the temporary Bridge and its approaches being in a dirty condition. The attention of the District Board was called to the matter with a view to the road being put in a proper state ; and at the same time the Board's Contractors, Messrs. Mowlem and Co., were requested to maintain and keep the Bridge and its approaches in better condition. The District Board, however, have found some difficulty in the matter, the road being a private one, and have asked that this Board would themselves undertake the cleansing of the road. This, however, your Committee are not prepared to advise the Board to do ; and they recommend—

That the Wandsworth District Board be informed that, in the opinion of the Board, it is the duty of the District Board to cleanse and maintain Wellington-road.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W^M. SHEPHERD,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W. R. SELWAY,
ROBT. JONES,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Wandsworth District Board be informed in reply to their application with respect to the cleansing and maintenance of the approaches from Battersea-bridge-road to the temporary Foot-bridge at Battersea, that this Board, are of opinion that it is the duty of the District Board to cleanse and maintain Wellington-road.

19. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 10th February, 1886.

Your Committee find that two of the Bills deposited for introduction into Parliament this Session have not yet been reported on by them. These are the London and South-Western Railway Bill and the West London Electric Lighting Bill. Having now considered those Bills, it appears to your Committee that they contain nothing upon which it is necessary for the Board to take action. They accordingly recommend—

That Petitions be not presented against the Bills.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN RUNTZ,
ROBT. JONES.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That Petitions be not presented against the London and South-Western Railway Bill and the West London Electric Lighting Bill.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. J. Jones, and seconded by Mr. Bonthron—That a Petition be presented against the West London Electric Lighting Bill.

After discussion, the amendment was by leave of the Board withdrawn.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried ; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th February, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage work proposed to be executed by the Vestry of Saint Luke, Middlesex.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARK.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
Old-street	3,050	18-inch	Pipe.	Recommended, subject to the old outlet Sewer shown at "A" on the Plan being diverted into the Middle Level Sewer.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Vestry of St. Luke, Middlesex, be permitted to construct and execute the said work in the manner therein recommended.

21. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department,
Spring-gardens,
10th February, 1886.

ISLE OF DOGS PUMPING STATION.

On the 23rd of October last, the Board ordered the Superintending Architect to negotiate for the purchase of the piece of land required for this Pumping Station for a sum not exceeding £1,500, and that failing a settlement, application be made to the Home Secretary for the compulsory purchase of the land, and that upon the land being obtained, the Engineer do adopt such temporary measures for preventing flooding as may serve for a guide hereafter.

The Architect's negotiations failed, and the consent of the Secretary of State for the compulsory purchase of the land has been obtained.

The Solicitor is endeavouring to obtain immediate possession of the land by agreement, and to pay interest at the rate of 5 per cent. upon the amount of compensation ultimately determined to be payable, and in the event of this proposal being declined, is prepared to take proceedings under the 85th Section of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, to obtain compulsory possession.

In order to utilise the time which would have been lost by the unavoidable delay, I addressed a Letter (a copy of which is appended) to 16 of the best Pumping-engine Manufacturers named in the list (also appended) inviting designs and tenders for duplicate Engines, Pumps and Boilers, each capable of raising 10,000 gallons of storm waters per minute from a depth of 20 feet, but adapted to raise smaller quantities 30 feet.

Twelve of the firms written to have sent in designs and tenders, five of these were for centrifugal pumps, and although these are the cheapest, I do not recommend them, for they give a low duty at lifts exceeding 10 feet, and a bad duty at high lifts ; they have to be worked at great speed, and heat very much in their bearings.

Upon the whole it appears to me that the design of Messrs. Watt and Co., for a high-pressure condensing engine, and single-acting lift pump with Cornish boiler, which they undertake to deliver in 3 months, and erect and set to work for the sum of £4,950, is the best and cheapest for the purpose. I recommend that the Solicitor be instructed to draw up a proper Contract for this.

It is necessary that the Board should now select the Engines, to enable me to get out the drawings for the Engine-houses, with a view to the commencing the erection of them as soon as the land is obtained.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and resolved—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

22. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th February, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contract—

<i>Western Pumping Station.</i>			ESTIMATE.
Renewing the timber staging in the pump well	...	...	£100 0 0
<i>Barking Reservoir.</i>			
Shoring up and repairing the arches and walls	...	...	200 0 0
Total	...	...	£300 0 0

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

23. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 11th February, 1886, stating that in April, 1883, the Board entered into a Contract with Messrs. M'Crea and M'Farland for the construction of works in connection with the Ranelagh and King's Scholars' Pond Sewers Storm Relief Sewer; that the Contract contained a provision of £10,000 for the lowering of weirs and the construction of certain other works to the existing sewers which were necessary to complete the immediate relief from floods; that one of those works was the construction of a new weir and its connecting sewer to relieve the Ranelagh and Middle Level Sewers at their junction in the Bayswater-road, the cost of which would be about £2,000; that Messrs. M'Crea and M'Farland had however objected to execute the work unless the prices attached to their schedule for tunnel work were applied for the open excavation; that as the proposed work was at some little distance from the works recently executed by those Contractors, the question might arise whether the Board could enforce its execution as an extra on their Contract; that the Schedule of prices attached to the Contract of Messrs. Williams, Son and Wallington, the General Contractors for works in the District, was as low, and in some cases even lower, than that of Messrs. M'Crea and M'Farland, and that he (the Engineer) had ascertained that Messrs. Williams and Co. would be willing to carry out the work in question under their Schedule; that the prices were probably lower than would be obtained if fresh Tenders were invited, and that the saving of time would also be an advantage, and recommending that, upon their signing a proper Agreement, to be prepared by the Solicitor, Messrs. Williams, Son and Wallington should execute the work.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon; that the work be executed by Messrs. Williams, Son and Wallington accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account, and that the Solicitor do prepare the necessary Agreement.

24. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill, 1886, had been appointed for second reading in the House of Commons for Thursday next, the 18th instant.
25. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been appointed for the 18th instant; that the second reading of the Board's (Water Supply, &c.) Bill had been appointed for the 24th instant; that the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill had been appointed for the 17th March next; and that the second reading of the Board's (Keeping of Firewood) Bill had been appointed for the 9th June next.
26. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill, (Mr. Dixon-Hartland), had been appointed for the 18th instant.
27. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Sanitation of Houses Bill had been appointed for the 19th May next; that the second reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 1) Bill, had been appointed for the 18th instant; that the second reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2)

Bill, had been appointed for the 10th March next; and that the second reading of the Land Purchase Facilities Bill had been appointed for the 7th July next.

28. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

29. The Solicitor presented, for sealing, the Leases to Mr. E. Villiers of the London Pavillion and the Piccadilly Restaurant in Tichborne-street, in the line of the Piccadilly to Bloomsbury Improvement, and stated that it was necessary that the Board should draw Cheques for £79 15s. and £10 15s., for the Stamp-duty on the Leases and Counterparts.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Leases, and that Cheques for £79 15s. and £10 15s. be now drawn in favour of the Receiver-General of Inland Revenue; and the Seal was affixed, and Cheques were drawn on the General Working Account accordingly.

30. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Conveyance to Mr. S. C. Austen, of land in Pemell's-place, Queen's-road, Peckham (Camberwell and Peckham Improvement).

Conveyance by Mrs. C. M. Tomkins, and her Mortgagees, of No. 20, Litchfield-street, Soho, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement).

Agreement, in duplicate, between the House Property and Investment Company, Limited, Mr. G. Woolliams, and the Board, for apportionment of rent in respect of a piece of garden ground adjoining No. 182, South Lambeth-road (South Lambeth Improvement).

Appointment of Mr. Vulliamy as Valuer in the matter of a claim by the Rev. J. M. Nisbet, in respect of the premises, Nos. 33 and 35, Crown-street, and Nos. 7 to 12, Denmark-place, St. Giles (Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement).

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

31. The Accountant presented a Report, dated 12th February, 1886, stating that Mr. G. R. Woolley, the Senior Examiner of Trade Claims in his Department, had been absent from his duties, since the 5th instant, in consequence of illness, and submitting a Medical Certificate as to his state of health.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Report be received.

32. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 29th ultimo (No. 12), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

College-lane, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
Fortess-mews	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
Leeke-street ...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
Little King-street South, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
Middlesex-street	...	...	...	...	...	Do.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

33. The Clerk presented a printed Report and Statement of the Accounts of the Gas Light and Coke Company, for the half-year ended 31st December, 1885.

34. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. Schröder, Coroner's Clerk, dated 5th February, 1886, with a copy of the verdict of the Jury in the case of the persons who were recently killed by the falling of a wall in the Holloway-road, and containing a recommendation that the Board should obtain powers so that the District Surveyors might have control over the pulling down of old houses, as well as the erection of new ones.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the communication be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

35. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. J. Clarke, dated 5th February, 1886, complaining of the erection of shops by Mr. Ward at Lime-villas, Upper Richmond-road, Putney, beyond the present line of frontage, and of the formation of a mews at the rear of the shops, and of the roadway entrances thereto, and asking the Board not to allow Mr. Ward to carry out his mews and roadway schemes.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

36. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Harris and Gregory, dated 5th February, 1886, stating that they had perfected an invention for the ventilation of Sewers, and asking that they might be allowed to bring the working model before the notice of the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, for consideration, with authority to inspect the model.

37. The Clerk presented three Letters from the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, dated 6th February, 1886, expressing their approval of the Water Supply (Various Powers), the Charing-cross Foot-bridge, and the Fire Brigade Expenses Bills, promoted by the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letters be received.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Dewey, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 9th February, 1886, stating that the Vestry had consented to the London Street Tramways Extension Bill, upon certain conditions; that the Vestry had resolved not to consent to the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 2) Bill, and that they had decided to consent to the North London Tramways Bill, upon certain conditions specified in the statement transmitted with the Letter.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subjects to which it relates.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Sutton and Ommanney, dated 9th February, 1886, stating that the Islington Vestry had consented to such of the Tramways proposed by the North London Tramways Bill as were in the Parish of Islington, and further stating that, if the Board would give their consent to the proposed Tramways, the Company would be prepared, at the expiration of one month after the Bill should have received the Royal assent, and on certain conditions, not to work over so much of the authorised Tramway in Seven Sisters'-road as was opposite the entrance gates of Finsbury-park.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

40. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, M.P., Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 10th February, 1886, stating that the Vestry had given their sanction to the extension of Tramways in the Parish, as proposed by the London Street Tramways Extension Bill, but had declined to consent to the extensions proposed by the North London Tramway Company.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. L. Pemberton, Home Office, dated 6th February, 1886, transmitting a Letter from the Coroner for Central Middlesex, with the Verdict arrived at by the Jury in the case of the Inquest held on the remains of the persons killed by the fall of a wall in the Holloway-road, and requesting to be furnished with the Board's observations thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Saint Mary, Islington,
Vestry Offices, Upper-street, N.
8th February, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to acquaint you that your Letter of the 3rd inst., requesting that this Vestry will pay the Metropolitan Board of Works the sum of £30,000, being their contribution towards the cost of purchasing Highbury-fields was laid before the Vestry at their meeting on Friday last.

I am now directed by the Vestry to formally apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction to a Loan being obtained by the Vestry for the amount named above—viz., £30,000—and I am further to request that the Board will be good enough to advance such sum to the Vestry upon the conditions as to re-payment, and at the rate per cent. of interest alluded to in your communication.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) WM. F. DEWEY,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 4th February, 1886, requesting that copies of the additional Bye-laws made by the Board under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, might be sent to the Office of Works, to the Local Government Board, and to the Sun Fire Office, in case the Home Secretary should wish to consult those Departments on the subject.

The Clerk reported that copies of the Bye-laws had been sent as requested.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Lushington be informed accordingly.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. J. Stokes, Clerk to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, dated 10th February, 1886, with copy of a Resolution of the Vestry, calling attention to the building in course of erection for Messrs. Gilman and Spencer, at the corner of Princes-street and Rotherhithe-street, and requesting the Board to take action with reference thereto.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. R. Williams, Hon. Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Shaftesbury Memorial, dated 11th February, 1886, stating that the Committee, whilst thanking the Board for the offer of a site for a statue of Lord Shaftesbury in the Circus formed by the intersection of the new streets between Oxford-street, Charing-cross, and Piccadilly, were of opinion that a site at the Piccadilly end of the new street would be preferable, and that they therefore asked the Board to take the suggestion into consideration.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

46. The Clerk presented a Letter from Dr. George Buchanan, dated 11th February, 1886, suggesting that the new street from Piccadilly-circus to Oxford-street should be named "St. Giles-street," "St. Giles-road," or "Monmouth-street," and stating his reasons for the suggestion.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Dr. Buchanan be informed of the Board's decision this day on the subject.

47. The Clerk presented Letters and Memorials, as follows—

Letter from Mr. G. H. Parkins, dated 11th February, 1886, with a Memorial from Leaseholders and Owners of property abutting upon Palmer-place, Holloway, objecting to the proposal in the North London Tramways Bill to lay a line of Tramway in that place, and asking the Board to refuse their assent thereto.

Memorial from ratepayers and residents in the neighbourhood of Barnsbury, praying the Board to assent to the Tramway extensions through Barnsbury and West Drayton-park, proposed by the North London Tramways Bill.

Letter from Mr. W. Hardwick, dated 11th February, 1886, with a Memorial from ratepayers, &c., at Islington, to a like effect.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letters and Memorials be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subjects to which they relate.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. H. Croad, Clerk to the School Board for London, dated 11th February, 1886, referring to the application of that Board in March last for a Loan of £20,259 14s. for the purpose of providing and enlarging certain Industrial Schools, but which application was afterwards withdrawn, owing to a legal difficulty which precluded this Board from advancing money for the purpose; and asking the Board to make such an alteration in their Money Bill, so far as it affected the School Board, as would enable this Board to advance money, when sanction had been given to the Loan by authorities other than the Education Department.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Harrison, Clerk to the Vestry of Bermondsey, dated 11th February, 1886, requesting that the Board's printers might be permitted to supply 50 copies of the Report on the Ventilation of Sewers, for the use of the Vestry, the Vestry defraying the cost thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the request be acceded to, and that the Clerk be authorised to instruct the Board's printers, in the event of a similar application being made by any other Vestry or District Board.

50. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 9th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphureted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.1	16.7	16.8	10.7	8.5	9.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	None.
	Camden ...	17.5	16.2	16.7	11.5	7.7	9.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston ...	16.6	16.3	16.5	13.9	11.2	12.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow ...	17.0	16.5	16.8	11.7	9.2	10.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.9	16.1	16.4	15.0	13.0	14.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	"
	" (Nine-elms) ...	16.0	15.9	16.0	12.4	11.4	11.8	0.3	0.2	0.3	"
	Kingsland-road ...	16.9	16.5	16.7	12.9	9.1	11.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Charing-cross ...	16.8	16.2	16.5	16.2	10.4	13.1	0.8	0.7	0.8	"
	St. John's-wood ...	16.9	15.7	16.4	13.3	10.7	12.0	0.6	0.1	0.3	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	21.0	21.0	21.0	14.3	14.3	14.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Peckham ...	16.8	16.1	16.5	15.9	12.1	13.1	0.8	0.0	0.3	"
	Tooley-street ...	16.4	16.2	16.3	13.0	7.4	9.3	0.5	0.0	0.2	"
	Clapham ...	16.9	16.2	16.6	15.6	10.7	13.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Lewisham ...	16.6	16.3	16.6	11.2	9.2	9.9	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Old Ford ...	17.4	16.3	17.0	8.4	6.8	7.7	0.2	0.1	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	16.6	15.9	16.2	10.3	8.5	9.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in Portobello-road, Notting-hill, on February 8th, 1886, at 8.30 p.m., was 2.0 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in Pavilion-road, Chelsea, on February 6th, 1886, at 7 p.m., was 2.1 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in St. John's-wood-road, on February 4th, at 7.30 p.m., was 2.3 inches.

51. FULHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Owen, on behalf of Messrs. Parry and Jones, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projecting brick porch and barge boards at the Welsh Chapel, in Southerton-road, Hammersmith, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the porch and barge-boards therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner enclosed, altered or raised without the consent of the Board.

52. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Lee, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one storey shop on the North side of Old Dover-road, Blackheath, next the College Hospital, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

53. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. G. Turner, on behalf of Messrs. Crisp and Co., for the consent of the Board to the erection of one storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 134 and 135, Devonshire-road, Seven Sisters'-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and

as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 54. KENSINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Wright, on behalf of Mr. C. Liney, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window in front of No. 34, Victoria-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-window therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 55. ST. LUKE, OLD-STREET.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. P. H. Patten, on behalf of Mr. A. Job, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the “Queen’s Head” Public-house, No. 159, City-road, the upper portion being extended to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the Public-house therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 56. BETHNAL-GREEN.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of the Rev. J. B. Barraclough, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected in connection with the Jewish Episcopal Church, in Parmiter-street (late Gloucester-street).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 57. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the amended application of Mr. A. C. Bean, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Thornton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of new roads, and the widening of two roads to lead out of Dawes-lane.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 58. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Burslem, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of houses in Mill-lane and Friendly-street, Deptford, in the position and to the line shown thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the land coloured Blue upon the deposited Plan, and extending up to the boundary of the public foot-way in Friendly-street, be given up and added to the public way; that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 59. POPLAR.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Dickinson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a new street between High-street and East India-road, Poplar.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 60. ST. PANCRAS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of buildings in Railey-mews, Levertton-street, Kentish-town, such street being of less width than 40 feet.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 61. ST. MARYLEBONE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. T. Pilkington, on behalf of the Artizans, Labourers, and General Dwellings Company, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of a block of Artizans' Dwellings on the South side of Broadley-street, Lisson-grove, exceeding the height prescribed by the 85th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 62. BETHNAL-GREEN.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. C. Aubrey, on behalf of Mr. S. Edwards, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, in respect of the proposed construction of a new Concert-room on the West side of the "Hare" Public-house, No. 505, Cambridge-road, Cambridge-heath, fronting on Hare-place, as shown upon the drawings accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 63. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Saunders, for a dispensation by the Board with so much of their Bye-Law as relates to the foundations and sites of buildings, in the case of a proposed Class-room at St. Paul's National Schools, proposed to be erected over a part of the disused Churchyard of St. Paul's Parish Church, at Hammersmith.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and also to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

- 64. WESTMINSTER.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. D. Drury, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in certifying that a chimney-breast in the East party-wall of No. 1, St. Anne's-court, might be cut away.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Ten shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

- 65. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th February, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, relative to the erection of a movable or temporary Theatre on land near the "White Horse" Public-house, at Peckham-rye, without the consent of the Board, and asking them to take action in the matter, with a view to enforcing the penalties provided by the Act.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto, that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the matter shall be considered.

66. LEWISHAM.—Read a communication from Mr. James Tolley, District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Sydenham, dated 9th February, 1886, notifying that a detached house on Sabin's Estate, Vancouver-road, Forest-hill, was about to be erected under the professional superintendence of the firm of which he was a Member, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~, and ~~ordered~~, as follows—~~Whereas~~, Mr. James Tolley, District Surveyor for the District of Sydenham, did on the 9th day of February, 1886, give notice to this Board that the firm of which he, the said James Tolley, is a member, were engaged to act professionally in respect of the erection of a detached house on Sabin's Estate, Vancouver-road, Forest-hill, and the said firm have been since the said date, and now are, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is ~~ordered~~ by this Board—That Mr. Charles James Badger, District Surveyor for the District of Lewisham, be appointed by this Board, and the said Charles James Badger is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

67. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Wallen, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in certifying that a chimney breast in the West party-wall of No. 96, Drummond-street might be cut away.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Ten shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

68. The following Notices of Motion were given for the Meeting on Friday next, viz.—

By Lieut.-Col. Hughes, M.P. (No. 1,490)—That the safe keeping of Fire-wood Bill be not further proceeded with.

By Lieut.-Col. Hughes, M.P. (No. 1,491)—For withdrawing the provision in the Board's Fire Brigade Expenses Bill relating to an increase in the contributions of the Fire Insurance Companies, and for altering certain Resolutions of the Board on the subject.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 19th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 7.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **19th** day of **February**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, Esq.	JOHN LENANTON, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, Esq.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., Eng.	LIEUT.-COL. HUGHES, M.P.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.
ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETENHALL, Esq.
EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.	ROBERT JONES, Esq.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LINDSAY, Esq.
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIRCLOUGH, Esq.
BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.	
GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WILLIAMS, Esq.	
	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 12th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.
2. A Deputation from the Committee of the Stoke Newington Ratepayers' Association, introduced by Mr. Runtz, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. H. F. Bevan, Mr. J. Scrase, Mr. H. Grunsdell, Mr. J. Edney, Mr. W. Brooks, Mr. J. Nicols, Mr. F. A. Burton, Mr. H. Frith, Mr. G. Burnham, Mr. J. C. Collins, Mr. F. G. Smith, Mr. W. C. Beckett, Mr. C. W. Smith, and Mr. G. Hedger, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Honourable the Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Petition of the undersigned, being duly qualified Ratepayers of the Parish of St. Mary, Stoke Newington, in the County of Middlesex, sheweth: that the ratable value of the aforesaid Parish, as assessed by the Overseers, is £176,000, and is rapidly increasing, that it contains 4,300 rated householders, and that the Vestry as at present constituted consists of twenty-four elected Vestrymen with three *ex officio* Vestrymen, making a total of twenty-seven.

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Your Petitioners, therefore, request that your Honourable Board will take the necessary steps (as by Act of Parliament provided) to divide the aforesaid Parish into Wards for the purpose of the election of Vestrymen in accordance with Sec. 41, of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 25 and 26 Vic. cap. 102, and also apportion to each Ward the number of Vestrymen to which the Parish is entitled in proportion to the number of ratable houses it contains, in accordance with Sec. 11 of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 18 and 19 Vic. cap. 120.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

(Signed) WILLIAM H. PHILLIPS,

34, Dynevor-road,

And 527 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Cox, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. Mr. Richardson stated that a Deputation from the Greenwich District Board was in attendance, and desired to address the Board in opposition to the keeping of Firewood Bill, and also in support of the proposal for the formation of a Lake on Blackheath, although no notice thereof appeared in the Paper of Business, and he *moved*—That the Standing Order with respect to the reception of Deputations be, on the present occasion, suspended, and that the Deputation be now received.

The *motion* having been seconded by Mr. Andrews, it was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

The Deputation was then introduced by Mr. Richardson and Mr. Andrews, and consisted of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. E. Smith, Mr. G. Simmonds, Mr. A. Golding, Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. H. Wells, Mr. B. Roberts, Mr. J. W. Beadle, Mr. W. G. Watts, Mr. T. H. Richards, Mr. S. Winn, Mr. A. T. Chard, Mr. G. Burney, and Mr. W. J. Newell, accompanied by Mr. J. Spencer, the Clerk to the District Board.

The Deputation handed in a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

SHEWETH—

That your Memorialists are impressed with the great desirability of at once proceeding with the construction of a Lake on Blackheath, with the view of providing work for the unemployed.

Your Memorialists desire, in case your Honourable Board is not prepared to proceed with this work in the manner above suggested, that you will lend your Memorialists the Plans and Specification prepared by your Engineer, so that part of the work might be proceeded with, if it were thought desirable, by the South-Eastern Central Committee, in connection with the Mansion House Relief Fund, and that your Honourable Board will, if the work be undertaken by such Committee, supply the necessary supervision.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

(Signed) J. SPENCER,
Clerk.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Andrews—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto, and that the Committee do report their proceedings to the Board.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Bradfield—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

The *amendment* having been put to the vote, there were for it 25, against it 14; and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried.

The amendment was then put as an original motion, when there were for it 26, against it 10.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—33.

Abbott, J., Esq.	Mossop, C., Esq.
Boutcher, W., Esq.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Bradfield, J. E., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Brown, G., Esq.	Robson, W., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq., M.P.	Rogers, E. Dresser., Esq.
Cox, F., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Debenham, W., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq., Deputy.
Edwards, G., Esq.	Selway, W. R., Esq.
Ewin, A., Esq.	Shepherd, W., Esq.
Funnell, P. W., Esq.	Tolhurst, J., Esq.
Garrett, W. B., Esq.	Webster, R. G., Esq.
Harben, H., Esq.	Wetenhall, W. J., Esq.
Hill, G., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Hughes, Lieut.-Col., M.P.	Williams, T. W., Esq.
Ingoldby, F., Esq.	
Jolly, J. R., Esq.	
Jones, R., Esq.	
Lenanton, J., Esq.	

Against the Motion—8.

Andrews, W., Esq.	Jones, J., Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Urquhart, W., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Weir, B., Esq.
Hewitt, W. H., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Fowler.

Teller—Mr. Fardell.

And it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.]

The Deputation handed in a further Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

SHEWETH,—

That your Memorialists have considered a Bill which has been brought in to the House of Commons entitled the "Metropolis Safe Keeping of Firewood Act, 1886."

Your Memorialists have very carefully considered the Clauses of the Bill, and are convinced that so far as the District of your Memorialists is concerned the restrictions which it is proposed to place upon the firewood trade would most injuriously affect it, and be productive of loss to a large number of persons who now get a livelihood by wood chopping.

Your Memorialists are of opinion that if firewood merchants were compelled to confine their business to places approved by your Board the rent of such premises would be increased with the result that either the wages of the persons employed would be reduced, or the price of chopped firewood be increased.

The proposal to control the quantity of stock kept by a firewood merchant would prevent the merchants from legitimately extending their businesses by making the most profitable use of their premises, and prevent them from buying when the prices were low if at such a time their premises happened to contain the quantity of stock prescribed by the proposed Bye-laws.

The proposal to prevent firewood from being stacked within a prescribed distance of a dwelling-house has not been proved to be necessary, and inasmuch as firewood stacks require to be placed for the profitable conduct of business in situations where carriage is most easily and cheaply obtained, such a proposal, if carried into effect, would hamper the trade without any commensurate advantage or protection to the public.

There are very extensive firewood yards in your Memorialists district, and your Memorialists are not aware that any injury or inconvenience to the public or any private individuals has ever been caused by firewood stacks, on the other hand a large number of persons have found employment in them who would probably have found it difficult to find any other employment for which they were fitted.

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Your Memorialists are more strongly convinced of the undesirability of proceeding with the Bill at a time when trade is greatly depressed, numbers of men and women are unable to obtain employment, and when any interference with the firewood trade would have a tendency to increase the prevailing distress.

For these reasons your Memorialists humbly pray that your Honourable Board will take no further steps to procure that the said Bill may become law.

Sealed at and in pursuance of a Resolution of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, passed at a Meeting of the said Board, held on the 17th day of February, 1886.

L.S.

(Signed) J. SPENCER,
Clerk of the Board.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Andrews, and *resolved*—That the consideration of the Memorial be deferred until the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee, with respect to the Bill to which it relates, shall be brought up.

4. Mr. Cook, M.P., stated that a Deputation from ratepayers and residents in the Districts of Poplar and Greenwich was in attendance, and desired to address the Board in support of the proposal to provide additional means of communication across the Thames from Poplar to Greenwich, although no notice thereof appeared in the Paper of Business, and he *moved*—That the Standing Order with respect to the reception of Deputations be, on the present occasion, suspended, and that the Deputation be now received.

The *motion* having been seconded by Mr. Williams, it was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

The Deputation was then introduced by Mr. Lenanton, and consisted of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. H. Green, M.P., Mr. S. Montague, M.P., Mr. J. Ford, Mr. G. Henwood, Mr. G. Dickie, Mr. B. Jones, Mr. G. Palmer, Mr. J. Yarham, Mr. W. Hutchens, Mr. H. Grigg, Mr. H. Pontin, Mr. J. C. Durant, M.P., Mr. W. Roberts, Mr. J. Bussey, Mr. J. Lash, Mr. C. H. Webb, Mr. Webber, Mr. Bower, Mr. Lincoln, Mr. Trickett, Mr. A. Sheffield, Mr. W. Ward, Mr. J. Green, Mr. H. Bray, Mr. R. Green, Mr. T. Longmore, Mr. T. Tucker, Mr. A. Carroway, Mr. T. Comley, Mr. J. Roberts, Mr. T. Sullivan, Mr. J. Kavanagh, Mr. E. Parsons, Mr. J. Steel, Mr. T. Griffiths, Mr. T. Bentley, Mr. J. Massey and Mr. J. Hawkes.

The Deputation handed in a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the undersigned ratepayers and residents in the Districts of Poplar and Greenwich,

HUMBLY SHEWETH—

That there are a large number of the unemployed workmen of the District who are anxiously seeking for employment; and that at a Public Meeting held on the 5th day of February, at the Town-hall, Poplar, it was resolved to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works to put in hand at the earliest possible date the works which would be necessary to carry out the much needed, and often asked for, improved means of free vehicular as well as passenger communication from one side of the River to the other, from Poplar to Greenwich.

(Signed) HENRY GREEN,
And 8 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Lenanton, seconded by Mr. Cook, M.P., and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

5. Mr. Bradfield handed in Memorials from residents in Finsbury-park-road, Gillespie-road, Blackstock-road, and Drayton-park, Islington, praying the Board to give

their consent to the proposed construction, by the North Metropolitan Tramways Company, of the Tramways in those roads.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the consideration of the Memorials be deferred until the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee with respect to the Tramways to which they relate shall be brought up.

6. Mr. Cameron handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.,
18th February, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by this Board to inform you that they have had under consideration the Metropolitan Board of Works (Keeping of Firewood) Bill, and that they concur in the Resolution passed by the Vestry of Rotherhithe on the subject disapproving of the Bill, believing that it will have the effect of curtailing the business of firewood merchants, and of driving the store-yards out of the Metropolis, thus depriving an exceedingly numerous and very poor, but deserving, class of people of their only means of livelihood, and causing them to become chargeable to the Parish.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) HEN. GEO. HILLS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

7. Mr. Hill handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Lambeth.

Vestry-hall, Kennington-green, S.E.,
18th February, 1886.

SIR,—At the Meeting of the Vestry to-night, the Vestry resolved to approve of a Resolution passed by the Vestry of Rotherhithe, opposing the Bill introduced by your Board on the subject of the keeping of Firewood within the limits of the Metropolis.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) HENRY J. SMITH,
Clerk to the Vestry.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Spring-gardens.

8. Mr. Dresser Rogers handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry, St. Giles', Camberwell.
Vestry Clerk's Department,
Vestry-hall, Camberwell, S.E.
February 18th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry to acquaint you that they have had under their consideration a Bill which has been introduced into the House of Commons by your Board "For the safe keeping of Firewood within the limits of the Metropolis."—A Deputation also attended the Vestry last night on the subject.

I send you on the other side a copy of the Resolution unanimously passed, urging your Board to withdraw the Bill.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) GEO. W. MARSDEN,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

RESOLVED—"That this Vestry are of opinion that the Bill relating to Firewood "stacks in the Metropolis introduced into Parliament by the Metropolitan Board "of Works, being inimical to the interests of the Working population of this "Parish, should be withdrawn."

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9. Mr. Wetenhall handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of Saint Pancras.

General Business Department,
 Vestry-hall, Pancras-road,
 18th February, 1886.

STACKING OF FIREWOOD IN THE METROPOLIS.

SIR,—Referring to your Letter of the 15th ult., relative to the Bill proposed to be introduced into Parliament by your Board, regulating the stacking of firewood in the Metropolis, I am directed by the Vestry to forward you the accompanying copy of a Report made by their Chief Surveyor in reference to the proposed Bill, and also the enclosed copy of a Report upon the same subject by the Highways, Sewers and Public Works Committee.

The Report of the Chief Surveyor was approved by the Vestry at its Meeting yesterday, and the Report of the Committee adopted.

I am, &c.,
 (Signed) THOS. ECCLESTON GIBB,
 Vestry Clerk.
 The Clerk,
 Metropolitan Board of Works,
 Spring-gardens, S.W.

(Copy.)

To the Vestry of St. Pancras, Middlesex.

The Highways, Sewers and Public Works Committee met on Monday, the 8th of February, 1886, and

REPORT, —

1.—That in pursuance of reference by the Vestry of the 20th ultimo, your Committee have considered the Letter from the Metropolitan Board of Works, requesting that the Surveyor may be instructed to furnish information in reference to the existing stacks of Firewood in this Parish, with a view to the promotion of a Bill in Parliament to regulate the issue of Licenses for carrying on such business. Your Committee requested the Chief Surveyor to report on the matter, and to report on the provisions of the Bill. Your Committee present herewith the information desired, in order that the Vestry may, if they see fit, furnish the same to the Metropolitan Board of Works, but your Committee recommend that the Bill be opposed in Parliament, as no sufficient evidence of its necessity has been adduced, and also because your Committee are of opinion that its restrictive conditions would seriously hamper a trade which provides employment in this country for many thousands of the poorer classes, and the proposed legislation would probably result in inflicting a permanent injury to that industry.

* * * * *
 All which, &c.

(Signed) T. W. BEAVES,
 Chairman.

10. Mr. White handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Westminster District.

Town Hall, Westminster, S.W.,
 18th February, 1886.

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (STORAGE OF FIREWOOD) BILL.

DEAR SIR,—This Board have under consideration the above-named Bill, together with representations made in opposition thereto. They have caused the whole question to be considered by their Parliamentary Committee, and have upon their recommendation resolved to petition in favour of the Bill. They have directed me, in transmitting the enclosed copy of their Petition, to suggest to the Metropolitan Board of Works the desirability of making such provision in the Bill as will protect, as far as possible consistent with the public safety, the interests of the firewood industry in the Metropolis.

I am, &c.,
 (Signed) J. E. SMITH,
 Clerk to the Board.
 The Clerk of
 The Metropolitan Board of Works,
 Spring-gardens, S.W.

11. Mr. Harben handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead.

Vestry-hall, Hampstead, N.W.,

18th February, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—Adverting to your Letter of the 30th ultimo, on the subject of the planting of trees on Hampstead-heath at the side of West-heath-road, I am desired by the Tree Committee of the Vestry to state that they would be glad of an early interview with the Parks and Open Spaces Committee, inasmuch as the planting season will soon be at an end.

The Lord of the Manor has agreed to plant one side of the road, and the Tree Committee hope to obtain a grant of the funds at the disposal of the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association to defray the cost of labour, having regard to their recent offer to assist the unemployed in this manner.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Harben, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration, with authority to receive the proposed Deputation.

12. Mr. Cameron handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.,

18th February, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to your Letter of the 19th ult., relative to the approaches to the new Putney Bridge, I am instructed by this Board to inform you that they much regret that the Metropolitan Board of Works cannot at present adopt the suggestion to widen the Western approach to the full width of 50 feet opposite the mouth of the draw dock, and to call the special attention of the Metropolitan Board to the fact that congestion of traffic must ensue if the road be not widened at this point, and to point out that additional danger will be caused by the footpath being on one side only. The Board trust that the Metropolitan Board of Works will be good enough to take an early opportunity of re-considering the matter.

Yours, &c.
(Signed) HEN. GEO. HILLS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Cameron, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

13. Mr. Richardson handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

141, Greenwich-road, Greenwich, S.E.,

18th February, 1886.

SOUTHWARK AND DEPTFORD TRAMWAYS.

SIR,—This Board, understanding that the Works and General Purposes Committee of the Metropolitan Board of Works will have this Bill under their consideration on Monday next, direct me to request that the Committee will receive a Deputation from this Board in favour of the Bill.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) J. SPENCER,
Clerk of the Board.

The Clerk of the
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, seconded, and *resolved*—That the request be acceded to, and that the Works and General Purposes Committee be authorised to receive the proposed Deputation on Monday next.

19 February, 1886.

tt handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Limehouse District.

Office, White Horse-street, Commercial-road, E,
18th February, 1886.

GENTLEMEN,—Referring to the circular sent to the Board of Works for the Limehouse District, asking for information with regard to the larger stacks of Firewood in this District and the nearness of such stacks to adjacent dwelling houses or other buildings, I am directed to inform you that the District Board have received a Report from their Surveyor upon the subject, which has been fully considered, and I am to forward to the Metropolitan Board of Works the following information, viz. —

Two places in this District are used for the stacking of Firewood and making it up into bundles and other articles. One, belonging to Dr. Barnardo, is situate on the South side of the Commercial-road, Limehouse, adjoining the Blackwall Railway and the Limehouse Curve Railway. The premises comprise a large yard, on part of which are two large stacks of Firewood, and on the other part workshops for the boys working at the trade. The stacks are built solid, and are reduced from the top. The other Firewood manufactory is situate in the rear of Nos. 6 and 8, Dakin-street, Limehouse, near White Horse-street. This is a small stack, but contains within it, on the level of the ground, workshops formed in the stack, which are used by the people engaged in the work. The stack is very close to the adjoining buildings, which are dwelling houses, being only some 5 feet or 6 feet from the same.

The District Board have carefully considered the Bill promoted by the Metropolitan Board of Works to regulate the keeping of firewood within the Metropolis, and from information they have received, they are of opinion that the Metropolitan Board will have great difficulty in proving the preamble of the Bill. They, however, venture to suggest to the Metropolitan Board that the objects of the Bill should be confined to requiring the stacks of firewood in all cases to be built and kept solid without cavities therein, as there seem to have been scarcely any accidents by fire for many years, except where offices, workshops, stables, and other cavities have been formed in the stacks, which render them very dangerous in case of fire.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOs. W. RATCLIFF,
Clerk of the Board.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was moved by Mr. Abbott, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be received.

15. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 15th February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re</i> Melliush and Walden (Piccadilly)—(466)— Langham, S. F.—									
8627	Costs of application for investment of purchase-								
	money in land ...	...	...	...	...	129	10	11	
<i>Re</i> Reid (Camberwell)—(467)— Irvine and Hodges—									
8628	Costs of application for division of money invested								
	in Consols ...	...	...	...	...	33	10	3	
<i>Re</i> Stainton (Gray's-inn-road)—(468)— Walker, E. L.—									
8629	Costs of formal Assessment of compensation of								
	Title and Conveyance, and for interim								
	Investment ...	...	...	...	...	62	1	—	
	Carried forward ...	...	...	£225	2	2			

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	225	2	2	...		
<i>Re</i> Arden (Charing-cross)—(469)—								
	London and Westminster Bank, Limited—							
8630	Purchase-money for Freehold of Nos. 31 and 32, Castle-street, Leicester-square	... ..	3,800	-	-			
	Clifton, E. N.—							
8631	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	... ..	33	12	-			
	Phillips, J. and J.—							
8632	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	... ..	19	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Tomkins (Charing-cross)—(470)—								
	Rae, J., Carr and Martin—							
8633	Proportion of Rent (less Tax) from Christmas, 1884, to 8th July, 1885, less Ground-rent, from Michaelmas, 1884, to 8th July, 1885...		13	16	7			
<i>Re</i> Penny (Charing-cross)—(471)—								
	Seymour, E.—							
8634	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c....	... ..	9	2	4			
<i>Re</i> Evans (Southwark-bridge-road)—(473)—								
	Simpson, Palmer and Winder—							
8635	Costs of Title and Conveyance	... ..	14	16	8			
<i>Re</i> Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Southwark-bridge-road) —(474)—								
	Bank of England—							
8636	Interest on Purchase-money from Michaelmas, 1885, to 17th February, 1886 (less Tax)	... ..	11	4	1			
<i>Re</i> Marshall (Charing-cross)—(475)—								
	Shaen, Roscoe and Co.—							
8637	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	3	17	-			
<i>Re</i> Willis (Southwark-bridge-road)—(476)—								
	Coxwell, J. E.—							
8638	Costs of Title and Conveyance	... ..	6	17	8			
<i>Re</i> Carter (Charing-cross)—(477)—								
	Carter, Miss Emma—							
8639	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy in coachhouse and premises in Crown-place, Soho	... ..	35	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Mead (Charing-cross)—(478)—								
	Garrett, J. P.—							
8640	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	3	18	4			
<i>Re</i> Francis and Co. (Gray's-inn-road)—(479)—								
	Murrough, J. P.—							
8641	Costs of Title, &c.	... ..	8	2	10			
<i>Re</i> Clarke (Charing-cross)—(480)—								
	Clarke, Henry Edward—							
8642	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy in stable, coachhouse, and store-room in Crown- place, Soho	... ..	60	-	-			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
8643	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	... ..	3	3	-			
	Carried forward	... ..	£4,247	12	8	...		

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	4,247	12 8	...	...	...
<i>Re Waters (Charing-cross)—(481)—</i>								
Waters, Augustus William—								
8644	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy in stable in Crown-street, Soho	...	...	40	- -			
Baines, C., and Ball—								
8645	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	3	3 -			
<i>Re Dray (Charing-cross)—(482)—</i>								
Dray, William—								
8646	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 27, Castle-street	£685	- -					
8647	Trade compensation	...	...	4,315	- -			
					5,000	- -		
Walker, R.—								
8648	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	...	39	18 -			
Soloman, J. T.—								
8649	Preliminary Costs, as per Contract	...	...	26	5 -			
<i>Re Plaskett (Jamaica-road)—(483)—</i>								
Plaskett, W.—								
8650	Compensation for loss of business and removal from No. 62, Cherry-gardens	...	...	15	- -			
<i>Re H. M. Office of Works (Charing-cross)—(484)—</i>								
Ritchie, R.—								
8651	Surveyor's Fee	...	...	...	262 10 -			
						9,634	8 8	
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re Harding and Rogers (Upper-street, Islington)—(485)—</i>								
London and Westminster Bank, Limited—								
799	One-quarter's Rent of No. 317, Upper-street, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	...	...	16	18 4			
<i>Re Stoneley (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(486)—</i>								
Stoneley, Fred. Geo.—								
800	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 27, Green-street	...	...	...	550 - -			
Baines, C., and Ball—								
801	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	14	14 -			
<i>Re Puzzi (Upper-street, Islington)—(487)—</i>								
Denton, Hall and Burgin—								
802	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	11	15 6			
<i>Re Millard (Upper-street, Islington)—(488)—</i>								
Millard, Mrs. Sarah, and Millard, W. L.—								
803	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 322, Upper-street	...	...	£250	- -			
804	Trade compensation	...	...	350	- -			
					600	- -		
Baines, C., and Ball—								
805	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	17	17 -			
	Carried forward	...	...	£1,211	4 10	9,634	8 8	

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	1,211	4	10	9,634	8	8
<i>Re Jones (Upper-street, Islington)—(489)—</i>								
National Provincial Bank of England, Limited—								
806	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 328, Upper-street	... ..	£400	-	-			
807	Trade compensation	... ..	525	-	-	925	-	-
	Wagstaff and Warman—							
808	Surveyors' Fee	... ..	18	18	-			
	Goldberg and Langdon—							
809	Preliminary Costs	... ..	10	10	-			
<i>Re Mackay (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(490)—</i>								
Randall, C. R., and Son—								
810	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	8	16	2			
<i>Re Ransom (Upper-street, Islington)—(491)—</i>								
Ransom, T. R.—								
811	One-quarter's Rent of yard and shed at rear of No. 288, Upper-street, to Christmas, 1885	... ..	2	-	-			
<i>Re Ebbs (Tower-hill)—(492)—</i>								
Robins and Peters—								
812	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	13	-	10			
<i>Re Arnell (Upper-street, Islington)—(493)—</i>								
Arnell, Miss S.—								
813	Compensation for loss of business and removal from No. 323, Upper-street	... ..	144	-	-			
						2,333	9	10
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re King—(494)—</i>								
Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 53, High-street and land and buildings in Hollybush-vale—								
287	Dearman, Isaiah, and Dearman, Miss Mary Ann	... ..	£700	-	-			
288	King, C. B.—	... ..	2,650	-	-			
			3,350	-	-			
	Trade compensation—							
289	King, C. B.—	... ..	1,250	-	-	4,600	-	-
	Newbon and Harding—							
290	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	... ..	43	1	-			
<i>Re Damont—(495)—</i>								
Damont, Miss E.—								
291	Compensation for loss of business and removal from Elm-cottage	... ..	20	-	-			
<i>Re Sell—(510)—</i>								
Sell, Mrs. Emma—								
292	Compensation or purchase-money for weekly tenancy in No. 1B, Church-place	... ..	4	-	-	4,667	1	-
	Carried forward	... ..				£16,634	19	6

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				16,634	19	6
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>						
<i>Re Holland (Battersea)—(496)—</i>						
Shaen, Roscoe and Co.—						
20 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.				10	8	2
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>						
<i>Re Jones (Tench-street)—(497)—</i>						
Humphreys, G. J.—						
5660 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	10	4	2			
<i>Re Bruford (Tench-street)—(498)—</i>						
Whites and Co.—						
5661 Proportion of Rents of tenants of No. 19, Green- bank, from Midsummer to 20th August, 1885 (less Tax)	2	5	6			
<i>Re Abbott (Windmill-row)—(499)—</i>						
Gush, Phillips, Walters and Williams—						
5662 Costs of Arbitration	62	5	8			
<i>Re Willan (Tench-street)—(500)—</i>						
Haigh and Agar—						
5663 Proportion of Rents of tenants of Nos. 9, 11 and 13, Green-bank, from Christmas, 1885, to 3rd February, 1886 (less Tax)	13	4	3			
<i>Re Crutcher (Tench-street)—(501)—</i>						
Stones, Morris and Stones—						
5664 Costs of Title and Conveyance	20	-	-			
<i>Re Siebert (Tench-street)—(502)—</i>						
Steinberg, G. H.—						
5665 Costs of Title, &c.	7	2	10			
<i>Re Jones (Windmill-row)—(503)—</i>						
Jones, Evan—						
5666 Purchase-money for weekly tenancy in No. 36, King-street	28	-	-			
				143	2	
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>						
<i>Re Stock (Kentish-town-road)—(504)—</i>						
Waller, W. H., and Son—						
1533 One-quarter's Rent of No. 291, Great College- street, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	8	9	2			
<i>Re Benham (Upper-street, Islington)—(505)—</i>						
Jaques, Layton and Jaques—						
1534 Proportion of Rents of tenants of Nos. 167 and 168, Upper-street, from Christmas, 1885, to 4th February, 1886	15	4	-			
<i>Re Roes (Bermondsey)—(506)—</i>						
Camp, S.—						
1535 Proportion of Rents of tenants of No. 1, Ber- mondsey-square, and Nos. 42 and 43, Star- corner, to 5th November, 1885 (less Tax)	6	5	9			
Carried forward	£29	18	11	16,788	10	1

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	29	18	11	16,783	10	1
<i>Re</i> Corporation of London (Southwark-bridge-road)— (472)— Payne, S.— 1536 One-quarter's Rent in respect of Nos. 107 to 109, and 111 and 112, Blackman-street and land adjoining, due Christmas, 1885	89	-	-			
				118	18	11
				£16,907	9	-

Your Committee have also drawn a Cheque as follows in lieu of a Cheque cancelled in consequence of having been in hand longer than Three months—

Dwelling House Improvement Fund.

Re Holt and Co.—(1143-1885)—

5667 Holt and Co.—Purchase-money £1,755 - -

Your Committee have further to report that they have cancelled the Cheques Nos. 282 and 283 (Hampstead Improvements Account), drawn on the 8th instant, for £575 and £25, and have drawn Cheques as follows in lieu thereof—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re</i> Wells and Campden Charity—(402)---						
293 Bank of England, for Chancery	590	-	-			
294 Wilson, Sir S. M. M., per Bell, Stewards and May	10	-	-			
				600	-	-

Your Committee beg to recommend—

That Cheques as follows be drawn by the Board on the General Working Account, and that future costs on old Improvements be also charged on that Account—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re</i> Stainton (Covent-garden Approach)—(507)— Walker, E. L.— 6177 Costs of approval for payment of dividends on invest- ment in the funds	12	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Bridewell Hospital (Queen Victoria-street)—(508)— Still and Son— 6178 Costs of application for investment in land... ..	267	8	8			
				279	18	8

Your Committee submit, for the information of the Board, a marked Catalogue and Account of sale of building materials in Southwark-bridge-road, Peter-street, King-street, Mint-street, &c., Southwark-bridge-road, by Messrs. Horne, Son and Eversfield, on the 28th August and 8th December, 1885—

	£	s.	d.
Gross proceeds of sale	396	9	-
Commission, £7 10s. per cent.	29	14	9
Amount received by Board—			
16th October, 1885, and 27th January and 1st February, 1886	366	14	3

Your Committee have further to report that they have drawn Cheques as follows—

Messrs. Clutton—*Re* Ecclesiastical Commissioners—

Surveyors' Fees in respect of Enfranchisement of Copyholds—

Streets (Act of 1872), Harrow-road	£36	5	0
Streets (Act of 1877), Kentish-town-road	103	19	0

In pursuance of the several references made to them by the Board during the past and present months, your Committee have had under consideration the Memorials and Letters addressed to the Board on the subject of the Bill promoted by them in the present Session of Parliament for the safe keeping of Firewood in the Metropolis. Under the authority given to them, your Committee have received representatives from some of the Deputations which presented those Memorials to the Board, and have heard their statements in opposition to the provisions of the Bill. Your Committee have had the subject under discussion on three occasions, and have devoted considerable time and attention to it, and, as the result of their deliberations, they have arrived at the conclusion that, under all circumstances, it is unadvisable for the Board to proceed further with the present Bill. They beg, therefore, to recommend—

That the Bill be withdrawn.

Your Committee, on the 12th instant, reported on some of the Schemes for new Tramways, with respect to which Bills have been deposited for introduction into Parliament, or applications made to the Board of Trade for Provisional Orders. In continuation of that Report, your Committee have now to submit the following further recommendations—

That upon the Promoters of the Cricklewood, Kilburn, and Harrow-road Tramways Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form such of the proposed Tramways as are not within the Parishes of Kensington, Chelsea, and Paddington, to agree to the insertion of Clauses providing that the Tramway in Harrow-road shall not be carried further South than the Lock Bridge, and that none of the rails of the Tramways shall be at a less distance than 9 feet 6 inches from the kerb of the foot-way, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

That the consent of the Board be not given to the introduction into Parliament of the North London Tramways Bill.

That on the Promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 2) Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form the Tramways Nos. 7 and 7A (at Holloway), and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 5th instant (No. 41), from Messrs. Hewes, Hewes and Geary, calling attention to Hewes' patent for utilising all waste, refuse, and sewage. The writers state that they are able to produce an effective precipitant, entirely doing away with the use of lime, the process being simply carbonisation, and they ask to be allowed to put up apparatus at the Board's works free of charge, the Board providing room, labour and firing, and agreeing to take up the system in the event of its proving successful. Messrs. Hewes and Co. also offer to attend, or furnish further information. Your Committee having given due consideration to the Letter, and having conferred with your Chemist, they do not think that the process is a suitable one, and they, therefore, recommend—

That a Letter be addressed to Messrs. Hewes and Co., thanking them for their communication.

Your Committee desire to draw the attention of the Board to proceedings which have recently been taken against the Board by the St. Giles' District Board, in respect of the condition of the premises, No. 13, Denmark-street, Soho, possession of which was acquired by the Board on the 28th January last for the purposes of the new street from Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road. It appears, from the facts reported to your Committee, that, on the 6th instant, a Notice under the Nuisances Removal Act was served by the District Board, requiring this Board, as Owner of the house to execute certain works, or to close the premises. On the 12th instant, without further enquiry on the part of the District Board, a Summons was issued, returnable on the following day at 12 o'clock. Your Solicitor accordingly gave instructions to one of his Assistants to attend at the Police-court, with an

Assistant from your Superintending Architect's Department. It was explained to the Magistrate that the house was about to be demolished for the purpose of the Street Improvement, and that the reason why it had not been cleared was that the only occupiers remaining were a man and his wife who were said to be quite destitute, and that the Board did not like to turn them out immediately, but that arrangements had been made for their removal on the 15th instant, when the house would be closed. The lower part of the premises had been already closed. Your Solicitor states that the Clerk to the District Board pressed the Summons with a good deal of feeling, and urged the Magistrate not only to make an Order but to grant costs, which the Magistrate stated he must, under the circumstances, allow, and awarded 14s. 6d. It should be mentioned that an allegation was made that the Board had cut off the water supply, but your Committee are informed that such was not the fact, as the water had been cut off before the Board entered into possession. It appears to your Committee that, under such circumstances as are above detailed, the District Board might reasonably have exercised some forbearance, as although this Board take every care to get the tenants removed, in order that the property may be demolished, it sometimes happens that, without any neglect on the part of the Board, that cannot be accomplished without some delay. Taking all the circumstances into consideration, your Committee feel it their duty to report the matter for the information of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. M^CGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ,
A. EWIN,
P. W. FUNNELL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
GEORGE HILL,
WM. SHEPHERD.

The marked Catalogue and Account of sale of building materials in Southwark-bridge-road, Peter-street, King-street, Mint-street, &c., Southwark-bridge-road, submitted with the Report, and the Memorials with reference to the keeping of Firewood Bill and the North London Tramways Bill, presented this day, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That Cheques, as follows, be now drawn by the Board on the General Working Account, and that future costs on old Improvements be also charged on that Account—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>e</i> Stainton (Covent-garden Approach)—(507)—						
Walker, E. L.—						
6177 Cost of approval for payment of Dividends on						
investment in the Funds	12	10	0			
<i>Re</i> Bridewell Hospital (Queen Victoria-street)—(508)—						
Still and Son—						
6178 Costs of application for investment in Land ...	267	8	8			
					279	18 8

And Cheques were drawn accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Tolhurst, and seconded by Mr. Harben—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorials and Letters on the subject of the Bill promoted by the Board for the keeping of Firewood in the Metropolis be approved, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

After discussion, the motion was put to the vote, when there were for it 32, against it 6, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—33.

Abbott, J., Esq.	Hill, G., Esq.
Andrews, W., Esq.	Hughes, Lieut.-
Boutcher, W., Esq.	Col., M.P.
Bradfield, J. E.,	Ingoldby, F., Esq.
Esq.	Jolly, J. R., Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Lenanton, J., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.,	Mossop, C., Esq.
M.P.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Cox, F., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser,
Debenham, W.,	Esq.
Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Edwards, G., Esq.	Saunders, J. E.,
Ewin, A., Esq.	Esq., Deputy.
Fairclough, T. M.,	Tolhurst, J., Esq.
Esq.	Urquhart, W., Esq.
Fardell, T. G., Esq.	Webster, R. G.,
Funnell, P. W.,	Esq.
Esq.	Weir, B., Esq.
Harben, H., Esq.	Wetenhall, W. J.,
Harris, C., Esq.	Esq.
Hewitt, W. H.,	Williams, T. W.,
Esq.	Esq.

Teller—Mr. J. Jones.

Against the Motion—8.

Jones, R., Esq.	Selway, W. R., Esq.
Lindsay, W. A., Esq.	Shepherd, W., Esq.
Price, S., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Robson, W., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Fowler.

And it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the consideration of the remainder of the Report of the Committee be deferred until after the Special Meeting of the Board appointed to be held this day.

- 16.** It was **moved**, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **19th** day of **February**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B.,
M.P., Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

JOHN JONES, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-	FREDERICK COX, Esq.
JAMES EBENEZER SAUN-	HALL, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.
DERS, Esq., DEPUTY.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.
LT.-COL. HUGHES, M.P.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS,	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER,
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq.,	Esq.	Esq.
F.R.C.S. ENG.	JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.
ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL,
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL,	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq.,	Esq.
Esq.	M.P.	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.
WILLIAM URQUEHART, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY,
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	LIAMS, Esq.	Esq.
WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND-	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT,	JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.
SAY, Esq.	Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD,
		Esq.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

TO THE CLERK OF THE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS.

Spring-gardens, 12th February, 1886.

We hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on Friday next, the 19th day of February, 1886, at a quarter before One o'clock p.m., for the transaction of the following business, viz.—

TO CONSIDER NOTICE GIVEN BY COLONEL HUGHES, M.P., ON THE 12TH INSTANT—(No. 1,491)—

That he will move—

That the provision of the Fire Brigade Expenses Bill for an increase of the Fire Insurance Companies' contributions be withdrawn from the Bill when the proper time arrives for such withdrawal, and that the Resolutions of the Board of 17th July, 30th October, and 11th December, 1885, be altered accordingly.

(Signed) EDWIN HUGHES,
FRED^K. INGOLDBY,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
JOHN REDDISH,
AND. MIDDLEMASS.

2. It was *moved* by Lieut.-Col. Hughes, M.P., seconded, and *resolved*—That the consideration of the subject be deferred until Friday next, at a quarter before One o'clock p.m.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **19th** day of **February**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, ESQ., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

JOHN JONES, ESQ.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, ESQ.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, ESQ.
JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, ESQ., DEPUTY.	CHARLES MOSSOP, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBSON, ESQ.
LIEUT.-COL. HUGHES, M.P.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, ESQ.	JOHN REDDISH, ESQ.
CHARLES HARRIS, ESQ.	JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, ESQ.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, ESQ.
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQ., F.R.C.S., Eng.	GEORGE EDWARDS, ESQ.	GEORGE HILL, ESQ.
ALFRED EWIN, ESQ.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, ESQ., M.P.	PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, ESQ.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL,	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL- LIAMS, ESQ.	GEORGE BROWN, ESQ.
WILLIAM URQUHART, ESQ.	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, ESQ.
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, ESQ.	FREDERICK COX, ESQ.	JOHN TOLHURST, ESQ.
WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND- SAY, ESQ.		JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, ESQ.
WILLIAM JAMES WETEN- HALL, ESQ.		SAMUEL PRICE, ESQ.

1. The Board resumed the consideration of the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee presented this day.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That, upon the Promoters of the Cricklewood, Kilburn, and Harrow-road Tramways Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form such of the proposed Tramways as are not within the Parishes of Kensington, Chelsea, and Paddington, to agree to the insertion of Clauses providing that the Tramway in Harrow-road shall not be carried further South than the Lock Bridge, and that none of the rails of the Tramways shall be at a less distance than 9 feet 6 inches from the kerb of the foot-way, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, and seconded by Mr. Urquhart—

That, upon the Promoters of the Cricklewood, Kilburn, and Harrow-road Tramways Bill, giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form a Tramway from Cricklewood to the boundary of the Parish of Paddington at Cambridge-road, and to agree to the insertion of Clauses providing that the Tramway in Harrow-road shall not be carried further South than the Lock Bridge, and that none of the rails of the Tramways shall be at a less distance than 9 feet 6 inches from the kerb of the foot-way, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

After discussion the **amendment** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Lindsay, and seconded by Mr. Edwards—That the subject be referred back to the Committee for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Mr. Robson handed in a Memorial from Mr. M. Bosher, and other residents in Amwell-street, Clerkenwell, against the proposal of the North London Tramways Company to construct a Tramway in that street.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the consent of the Board be not given to the introduction into Parliament of the North London Tramways Bill.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That, on the Promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 2) Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form the Tramways Nos. 7 and 7A (at Holloway), and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That a Letter be addressed to Messrs. Hewes, Hewes and Geary, thanking them for their communication relative to Hewes' Patent for utilising Sewage, &c.

2. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 16th February, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Streatham, referred on the 5th instant (No. 50), asking the Board to place a Fire-escape near the Parish Church for the protection of the inhabitants in case of fire. Your Committee are unable to say that there is no need for additional protection in case of fire in the Parish of Streatham, but, so long as the Board's expenditure on the Fire Brigade is in excess of the income allotted by Parliament for the purpose, they are unable to recommend the Board to establish any more Fire Engine or Fire Escape Stations. It appears to them that the answer to the application of the Vestry of Streatham must be in similar terms to those addressed to the local authorities and inhabitants of other parts of London who have made applications of the same kind. They accordingly recommend—

That the Vestry of Streatham be informed that the Board has a Bill now before Parliament to provide for increased funds for the Fire Brigade, and that until the funds for that purpose have been increased, the Board cannot add to the number of Fire Escape Stations.

Your Committee have again considered the question of the desirability of obtaining three new Fire Engines in the place of ten old manual Engines which are no longer fit for use by the Brigade. When your Committee submitted a recommendation to that effect on the 5th instant, a discussion took place at the Board, and several questions were raised which your Committee will now answer. One question was whether three Steam Engines would be an adequate substitution for ten hand-power Engines, and upon this point your Committee may state that, according to the Chief Officer, the pumping power of three Steamers would be somewhat above that of ten hand-worked Engines, and that, in present circumstances, the Brigade would be stronger with three new steamers. It is the practice to have at least one Manual Engine at every Fire Brigade Station, and the present proposal would not interfere with that arrangement. Another question raised was whether the old Engines to be given up had lasted as long as the period for which the Board borrows money for new Engines, namely 15 years. The Engines were made in the years 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, and 1874, therefore, with one exception, they have lasted considerably longer than 15 years, and it is a perfectly correct financial measure to do what the Standing Order of the Board directs, namely, charge the cost of them to the Capital Account of the Fire Brigade. An opinion was also expressed that the Board should know what the cost of the new Engines would be, and this, your Committee are now able to state, inasmuch as they have obtained

Tenders from the only two Steam Fire Engine makers. Messrs. Shand, Mason and Company offer to make three new Steam Engines for £1,110 and to allow £200 for the ten old Manual Engines, leaving a balance of £910 to be paid by the Board. Messrs. Merryweather and Sons state that their price for the three new Steamers is £1,107, and that they will allow £198 for the old Manuals, leaving a balance of £909. It will thus be seen that the net cost to the Board, if Messrs. Merryweather and Sons' offer were accepted, would be £1 less than that of their competitors. Your Committee have, however, ascertained from the Chief Officer that, in his opinion Messrs. Shand, Mason and Company's Engines are rather more suitable for the Fire Brigade work than those of Messrs. Merryweather, and in view of this opinion, and of the very trifling difference between the offers of the two makers, your Committee recommend—

That the offer of Messrs. Shand, Mason and Co. be accepted.

Your Committee have had under consideration the necessity for providing larger and more substantial buildings for the Brigade at the Woolwich Station. The present building, which stands on the Board's freehold ground in Sun-street, was erected in 1868 at a cost of £715. The building is only large enough to house the Officer in charge of the Station, the four other men having to be lodged outside. It was originally the practice of the Board to make the buildings at the outlying Stations only large enough for the residence of one married man, but for many years past this original arrangement has been superseded, and the buildings have been large enough to accommodate all the men attached to the Station. As the building at Woolwich is in a very weak condition, your Committee have thought it expedient that a new building of sufficient size should be now erected, and they submit the Drawings which they have had prepared, and recommend—

That the Drawings be approved, and that the Committee be authorised to take all necessary steps for the erection of the new building.

On the 5th instant W. R. Devine, a First-class Fireman, was discharged from the service in consequence of his having become incapacitated by the loss of two fingers of his left hand, owing to their having come in contact with the machinery on board one of the Floating Engines while working at a fire. The Board ordered that Devine should receive the Pension of 13s. 8d. a week to which his 20 years' service entitled him, and that he should receive a further allowance of 6s. 4d. a week, so as to bring up his total allowance to £1 a week, until the Parks Committee should have reported whether he could be properly employed as a Common-keeper. The Parks Committee reported at the last meeting of the Board that he was not physically fit for such employment, and your Committee now think that Devine's allowance of £1 a week should continue during the pleasure of the Board. They recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have to report that Fourth-class Fireman Henry J. Thurston has withdrawn from the service, and that his name has accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to submit the following recommendations—

That Second-class Fireman George B. Gardner be promoted to the First Class; Third-class Fireman Samuel J. Pipe to the Second Class; and Fourth Class Fireman William H. Ryan to the Third Class.

That Alfred H. West, John Davis, John Baldwin, Harry Hakins, Thomas J. Smart, James W. Eynon, and Arthur W. J. Lusty be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) GEORGE HILL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
W. R. SELWAY,
W. J. WETENHALL,
ROBT. JONES.

The Drawings submitted with the Report were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of Streatham be informed that the Board have a Bill now before Parliament to provide for increased funds for the Fire Brigade, and that until the funds for that purpose shall have been increased, the Board cannot add to the number of Fire Escape Stations.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the offer of Messrs. Shand, Mason, and Co. to supply three new Steam Fire-engines for the sum of £1,110, and to allow £200 for ten old Manual Engines which are no longer fit for use by the Fire Brigade, be accepted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Drawings now submitted of the new building for the Fire Brigade at Woolwich be approved, and that the Committee be authorised to obtain Tenders and to make all other necessary arrangements for the erection of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the allowance of £1 a week to W. R. Devine, a First-class Fireman, who received his discharge on the 5th instant in consequence of an injury to his hand, do continue during the pleasure of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following promotions be made, viz.—Second-class Fireman George B. Gardner to the First Class; Third-class Fireman Samuel J. Pipe to the Second Class; and Fourth-class Fireman William H. Ryan to the Third Class.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Alfred H. West, John Davis, John Baldwin, Harry Hakens, Thomas J. Smart, James W. Eynon, and Arthur W. J. Lusty, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

3. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 16th February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration the question of the further steps it is desirable to take with respect to the Grand Theatre, in High-street, Islington. The Board granted a Certificate under the Act of 1878 for the Theatre upon the completion of its re-construction in August, 1883, but having regard to certain alterations which have since been made in its internal arrangements, it appears desirable that the Board should frame Regulations of the usual nature for improving the facilities of exit for the public. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That a Notice, under the 45th Section of the Board's Various Powers Act, 1882, containing the following requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor, and that it be sealed in duplicate, and be served upon the person by whom the Grand Theatre, in High-street, Islington, is kept open for public entertainment—

- 1.—That the present bolts and fastenings be removed from the exit doors, and that each of such exit doors be fastened by a single bolt shot by a handle fixed at a height of 3 feet from the floor, such bolt to be fixed on the side of the door next the auditorium, and to be of a pattern to be approved by the Board.
- 2.—That an inscription be painted in white letters, not less than 2 inches high, upon a black ground, upon each of the exit doors on the side next the auditorium, stating that such door may be opened in case of emergency by turning the handle, and also indicating where the exit leads and the direction to be taken to reach the street.
- 3.—That notices be painted upon the walls of the corridors in white letters, not less than 2 inches high, upon a black ground, with index hands to show the way out.

4.—That the projecting box office in the stall corridor be removed half an hour before the commencement of every performance.

5.—That a sufficient number of oil lamps, protected by iron wire guards, be provided in the corridors and on the landings of the staircases to light the same in the event of the gas becoming extinguished, and that such lamps be kept burning during the whole time of every performance.

And your Committee further recommend—

That the Superintending Architect be instructed to report, from time to time, whether the requirements of the Notice are duly complied with.

Your Committee, in connection with the foregoing subject, consider it advisable to report for the information of the Board the nature of the alterations which have been made at the Grand Theatre, in pursuance of the Notice served by the Board upon the Owner, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. The Notice, which was dated 7th February, 1885, required that the opening between the crush-room at the foot of the principal staircase and the manager's room on the North side of the Theatre should be stopped up, and that the projecting portion of the pay box in the passage leading to the stalls should be removed. It appears from a recent survey made by your Superintending Architect that the opening has been fitted with an iron door, and that the projecting pay-box has been arranged so as to fold back against the wall of the passage when the public are admitted in the evening. The pay-box is used as a booking office during the day, and your Committee see no objection to its retention for that purpose, provided the projecting portion of the structure be entirely cleared away on the occasion of each performance, before the admission of the audience. The carrying out of that arrangement will be secured by the 4th requirement of the Notice which it is proposed that the Board should serve under the provisions of their Various Powers Act of 1882. Your Committee are of opinion that the works which have been executed will secure the reasonable safety of the public, and they therefore recommend—

That those works be accepted as a compliance with the Board's Notice under the Act of 1878.

Your Committee have also to report that they have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 11th December last (No. 6), authorising them to confer through their Sub-Committee with the Owner of the Loyal United Friends' Hall, No. 72, Banner-street, St. Luke's, upon the question of the structural defects of the building. The Board's draft Notice, containing Six Requisitions for remedying such defects, was transmitted to the Owner on the 23rd December, 1885, and on the 12th ultimo the Secretary of the Loyal United Friends' Society attended your Committee as the representative of the Trustees of the building, and submitted for consideration certain observations upon the Board's requirements. Three of the Requisitions, namely the First, Fifth and Sixth, were objected to, as being either impracticable or unnecessary, and the remaining three related to works which your Committee inferred had already been executed, or would shortly receive attention. It appears, however, from a recent survey made by your Superintending Architect that no alterations have been effected at the building for the purpose of complying with the Board's Requisitions, which deal with those defects, and that still require attention in the interest of the public safety. Your Committee are therefore of opinion that a sealed Notice, containing the following Requisitions, being the same as those contained in the draft Notice, should be served upon the Owners—

1.—That the entrance Hall, next Banner-street, be enlarged by setting back the partition between such Hall and the Secretary's room to the line of the partition enclosing the ladies'-room at the rear.

2.—That the first floor of the warehouse fronting upon Roscoe-street, which extends over a portion of the Hall, be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

3.—That the iron stove and the iron pipe flue to the same be removed, and that the stove be refixed, and a space of 18 inches formed around the same of,

materials of an incombustible and non-conducting nature, as required by the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, Section 21, Sub-Sec. 2, and that a proper brick flue be provided to such stove.

4.—That the skylight and sashes of the lantern light, and the skylight to the ladies' room, be protected by galvanised iron wire guards fixed on the outside.

5.—That the windows out of the North side of the warehouse next Roscoe-street, overlooking the Hall, be protected by wrought-iron hoppers, placed at an angle of 60 degrees with the horizon, and extending over the whole surface of such windows.

6.—That the entrance door-way, next Banner-street, be increased in width to 6 feet; that the door-way on the East side of the Hall opening into the cart-way out of Roscoe-street, be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches; and that all doors used by the public, and the gates to the cart-way out of Roscoe-street, be made to open outwards.

Your Committee recommend—

That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owners of the Hall.

Your Committee have had under consideration the application of Mr. A. Brandreth, on behalf of Mr. G. Ginnett, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of the proposed North London Colosseum and National Hippodrome, on a site between Mayfield-street and Roseberry-place, Dalston-lane, as shown upon the amended Drawings accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 11th December last (No. 57). The previous set of Drawings submitted by the applicant for the Circus, which will accommodate more than 1,000 persons, did not comply in several points with the Board's regulations, and consequently did not receive their approval. The amended Drawings which were submitted on the 3rd December last, although an improvement upon those originally sent in, appeared to your Committee to require amendment in several particulars which were pointed out to the applicant. The suggestions had reference to the construction of the staircases, the provision of proper handrails, the protection of the skylights, and the rendering of the doors available for the speedy exit of the public. Two further Drawings have since been received, showing the manner in which the applicant proposes to meet the views of your Committee. The staircases will be constructed in accordance with the Board's Regulations, the skylights will be protected by wire netting, and all the doors will be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards. The reasonable safety of the public will, in the opinion of your Committee, be secured by those further alterations of the original design, and they therefore recommend—

That the application be granted; that the Drawings submitted by the applicant on the 3rd December, 1885, and the 19th January, 1886, be approved; and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the building in accordance with the approved Drawings to the satisfaction of the Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. Emden, on behalf of Messrs. Webb and Wilmot, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed new Theatre on the site of the "Occidental" Tavern, in Savoy-buildings (formerly Fountain-court), Strand, and the site of No. 106, Strand, as shown upon the amended Drawings accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 15th ultimo (No. 58). The amended Drawings are six in number, and with the exception of

the position of the dressing-rooms (which it is now intended to place at the rear of the stage, with the floor of the lowest room about 20 feet below the level of the pavement in Savoy-buildings), do not materially differ from those which the Board on the 23rd December last (No. 7) declined to approve. Your Committee are of opinion that the amended Drawings are not such as should receive the approval of the Board, and they therefore recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the “Horse Shoe” Music-hall, No. 26, Clerkenwell-close, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. This is a small Music-hall, 37 feet long by about 26 feet wide, situated on the first floor of a Public-house. At the Southern end of the Hall, and separated from it by a movable partition, is a Club-room about 26 feet long and 14 feet 6 inches wide. The superficial area of the Hall is 999 feet, and that of the Club-room 377 feet, and the total number of persons that can be accommodated is about one hundred and fifty. The Hall is approached by a stone staircase 3 feet wide, which is reached by passing through a portion of the Public-house bar. The Club-room is approached by a steep iron staircase, 2 feet 6 inches wide, starting from one of the compartments of the Public-house bar. The bedrooms on the second floor of the Public-house extend over the Hall, but not over the Club-room. Having considered the Report and Drawings prepared by your Superintending Architect, your Committee are of opinion that the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy the existing defects in the building—

1.—That a new entrance lobby, 11 feet long, and 9 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the Music-hall, on the site of a portion of the yard and the dust-bin and urinal at the rear of the premises, and that such entrance lobby be separated from the Public-house by brick walls, not less than 14 inches thick, without openings.

2.—That the present staircase to the Hall be pulled down, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place; that such new staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet wide in the clear, in flights of not more than twelve steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board; and that no opening be formed in the walls enclosing such staircase and the Public-house.

3.—That the floors of the Music-hall, and of the Club-room adjoining, be rendered fire-resisting in a manner to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be rendered fire-resisting in a manner to be approved by the Board.

5.—That the iron staircase to the Club-room be removed, and the flooring of the Music-hall made good with fire-resisting materials.

6.—That the central gangway between the ends of the seats on the South side of the Music-hall be increased in width to 3 feet.

7.—That the windows of the Club-room and Music-hall be protected by wrought-iron bars, $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch in diameter, to a height of 6 feet from the floor.

8.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase to the Music-hall.

9.—That all door-ways used by the public be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches ; and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

Your Committee recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor ; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon ; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the joint application of Mr. T. Verity and Mr. S. Chadwick, on behalf of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, for approval by the Board of certain modifications in the Drawings for the re-construction of Humphreys' Hall, at Albert-gate, Knightsbridge, and the adaptation of portions of the Sun Music-hall adjoining, in connection therewith, as shown upon the Drawings accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 74). The modifications proposed by the applicants were of a trifling character, and had reference to the completion of the exit at the North-West angle of the Hall, the removal of the wall between Phoenix-place and Caroline-place, the completion of the exit from the Sun Music-hall into Knightsbridge High-road, and the formation of two additional door-ways between Humphreys' hall and the lobbies to the restaurant in the basement of Humphreys Mansion. The absence of any adequate means of exit from this restaurant constituted one of the most objectionable features of the internal arrangements of the building, and it was in consequence of the Board's proceedings at the Police-court, that Messrs. Spiers and Pond closed the room. After making a careful inspection of the premises, the Theatres and Music-halls Sub-Committee came to the conclusion that the only means of effectually securing the reasonable safety of the public would be to provide an independent exit from the restaurant leading directly into the street. Your Committee have carefully considered the various Drawings submitted by the applicants for the purpose of giving effect to that view, and they are of opinion that the one accompanying Mr. Verity's Letter of the 16th February, 1886, and which has been identified by the signature of their Chairman, may receive the sanction of the Board. It shows a new stone staircase, 4 feet 6 inches wide, constructed in accordance with the Board's Regulations, starting nearly in the middle of the restaurant, and terminating on the East side of the entrance to Humphreys Mansion. The Board in August last agreed to grant their Certificate upon certain conditions framed in the interest of the public safety, and your Committee are of opinion that upon the completion of the additional exit now proposed, the Certificate may be issued to the Licensee of the Hall. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the consent of the Board be given to the construction of a new stone staircase, 4 feet 6 inches wide, leading directly from the restaurant in the basement of Humphreys Mansion into High-road, Knightsbridge, as shown upon the Drawing signed by the Chairman of the Committee ; that the Certificate of the Board be not issued until the completion of the staircase to their satisfaction ; and that the Certificate, when issued, be subject to the due observance of the conditions specified by the Board in their Resolution of the 7th August last (No. 14).

Your Committee beg to submit herewith two Reports which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under Magistrates' Orders at the premises therein mentioned, the same being Dangerous Structures, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrates to be done at the following premises, the same being Dangerous Structures, viz.—

No. 102, Bunhill-row, St. Luke's.

„ 46, Great College-street, St. Pancras.

Your Committee have received a Report from your Superintending Architect, from which it appears that the premises, No. 30, Wolverley-street, Bethnal-green, were certified to be in a dangerous condition on the 3rd December last. A Summons was taken out on the 31st December, and an Order was made on the 13th January by the Magistrate at the Worship-street Police-court, which has not yet been complied with. The matter being urgent, your Superintending Architect instructed the Contractors to take down certain portions of the building, and your Committee report the facts for the information of the Board, and recommend—

That the course taken be approved.

Your Committee have had under consideration a Letter from Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of buildings in Railey-mews, Levertton-street, Kentish-town, the mews being of less width than 40 feet; referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 60). Railey-mews is an old paved way 20 feet wide, and was partly laid out and built upon some years since. The new buildings will be erected to the line of the old structures, leaving the same width of way as before. Your Committee concur with your Solicitor in thinking it unnecessary to take proceedings in the case, and they recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Bovill be so informed.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the subject of the sums which have from time to time been deposited with the Board by applicants in respect of temporary buildings. Your Committee reported upon the matter on the 20th February, 1880, when the Board, having experienced some difficulty in the removal, at the proper time, of temporary buildings, deemed it necessary to require a deposit of £50 as a guarantee for the future removal of such buildings. The practice was continued by the Board until the passing of the Amendment Act of 1882, which gave the Board power to require the removal of temporary buildings within a certain period, and to exact penalties in cases of non-compliance. Your Committee have ascertained that there are still, in the hands of the Accountant, sums amounting in the aggregate to £510, which were deposited by applicants in the years 1880-1882; and as the retention of those sums is no longer necessary, your Committee are of opinion that they should be returned to the several depositors, upon their accepting the form of License at present in use. Your Committee recommend—

That the proper Officers of the Board be instructed accordingly.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Jones Brothers, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road to lead out of Upper Richmond-road, Putney, and for the widening of Howard's-lane, referred by the Board on the 2nd October last (No. 64). It is proposed to lay out the new road of the full width of 40 feet to lead out of the South side of Upper Richmond-road, and afford direct communication with Howard's-lane, which will be increased in width to 20 feet from the centre of the old lane upon the frontage of the applicant's land. The house next Upper Richmond-road has been pulled down. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the road, and that the name "Carmalt-gardens, S.W." be approved for the same.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. B. Gilbert, on behalf of Messrs. Crooke, Ellison and Bates, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Greyhound-lane, Streatham, referred by the Board on the 7th August last (No. 96). It does not clearly appear from the application and Plan submitted, whether the land to be added to the public way on both sides of Greyhound-lane is under the control of the applicant, or whether the Bridge crossing the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway, near the Croydon-road, exists at the present time. The Plans also do not seem to provide for bridging over the stream or water-course where the proposed new roads cross it. The applicant

was, on the 1st October last, requested to furnish the necessary information on those points, but no reply has been received. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Rev. R. S. Hassard, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron room, erected on land adjoining Holy Trinity Church, in Mayfield-road, Dalston, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo, (No. 73). The erection of the building was first approved by the Board in 1879, and they have renewed the License from time to time, the last occasion being in December, 1883, for a period of Two years. The District Surveyor is of opinion that the License may be extended for a further period. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of One year from the 19th instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. G. Baines, on behalf of Messrs. J. W. Hobbs and Co., for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the erection of residential flats on the West side of Carlisle-street, Westminster, in the position and to the line shown thereon, also for approval of the open spaces at the rear of such buildings, as shown upon the said Plan, referred by the Board on the 29th ultimo (No. 62). The Board on the 30th October and 11th December last declined to approve of the erection of the building to the lines then proposed. The applicant now intends to keep the main wall of the building within a line drawn from Cardinal Manning's house to the Convent at the other end (the bulk of the main wall being set back about 2 feet 3 inches from that line), and to project the bay-windows and porches only into the area in front. There are somewhat similar projections at Cardinal Manning's house and the Convent. It is also proposed to provide areas at the rear unbuilt upon, in excess of the space required by the Amendment Act, 1882. The Westminster District Board offer no objection. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 19th instant, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. T. S. Archer, on behalf of Dr. T. Watney, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a street at "Waterside," leading out of Jews'-row, York-road, Wandsworth, and abutting upon the River Thames, referred by the Board on the 29th ultimo (No. 67). The old pathway known as "Waterside" abuts immediately upon the foreshore of the Thames. It is proposed to reclaim part of the foreshore, and to lay out a road forty feet in width in place of the existing narrow pathway. The Thames Conservators have agreed to consider an application for embanking the land. The new road, which it is proposed to keep 5 feet 6 inches above Trinity High Water-mark, will form a direct communication between Jews'-row and Dale-place, but the entrances at both ends are very narrow, a thoroughfare for vehicles being practicable only at the Dale-place end. Your Committee are of opinion that the application should be referred to the Bridges Committee, who have had the question of embanking this piece of the foreshore before them in connection with the Thames Floods Prevention Act, and they accordingly recommend—

That the subject be referred to the Bridges Committee, for consideration and report.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. H. F. Kite, on behalf of his client, Mr. J. R. Roberts, transmitting a copy of correspondence respecting a house which had been erected, or was in course of erection, in Collingham-road, at the corner of Harrington-gardens, Kensington, and enquiring what steps could be taken to enforce the carrying into effect of the Superintending Architect's decision as regards the general

line of frontage, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 47). It appears from your Superintending Architect's Report, that on the 10th December last he gave, at the request of the Vestry of Kensington, a decision as to the general line of buildings on the Southern side of Harrington-gardens, an extension of which line clearly showed that a house in course of erection at the corner of Collingham-road would project considerably in advance of the general line of buildings in Harrington-gardens. Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by your Superintending Architect that it is a matter in which the Vestry of Kensington should commence any proceedings that may be necessary, and they recommend—

That Mr. Kite be informed that any proceedings in the matter should be taken by the Vestry of Kensington.

The Board on the 5th instant (No. 54), referred to your Committee the Letter from Messrs. Stock, Page and Stock, on behalf of Mr. J. O. Parker, asking, under the circumstances mentioned in their Letter, for a modification of the condition imposed by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd ultimo (No. 8), with reference to the period within which the re-erection of buildings from the "Eagle" Public-house, to the "Prince Teck" (both inclusive) on the North side of Abbey-street, Bermondsey, shall be commenced and completed. The applicants state that they would be unable to complete the re-building of the whole of the property within Eighteen months from the 22nd ultimo, as the lease of part of the property will not fall in until Lady-day, 1890. Your Committee under those circumstances recommend—

That the application be granted, and that the period allowed by the Board be extended to Lady-day, 1890.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. F. Bentley, on behalf of the Rev. H. J. Van Doorne, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Church and buildings on the West side of Brixton-rise, between Horseford and Trent Roads, to the lines shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 56). The Board, on the 13th November last, declined to approve of the erection of the Church to the line then proposed. The amended Plan shows the buildings in Horseford-road set back at one end to the line of buildings in that road, and the Vestry of Lambeth approve of the proposal. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the Church and buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 19th instant, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for the consent of this Board to the erection of four open play-sheds at the Schools in Haseltine-road, Bell-green, Lower Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 57). The four sheds, which are to be used as covered playgrounds, are each 6 feet 6 inches in height to the eaves, and the mode of construction is similar to that of other sheds which have been approved by the Board. Three of the sheds are to be erected against the boundary walls adjoining the public way, and are beyond the general line of buildings, but they will be below the top of the wall, and your Committee think that they may receive the sanction of the Board. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erections therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 19th instant, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. Linsell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 243, 245, 247 and 249, Roman-road, Old Ford, Poplar, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 59).

Plans for extending the premises were submitted to the Board in June and July, 1878, but were not sanctioned. The present Plan shows a greater projection, and less land to be given up to the public way. This part of the road is less than 40 feet in width, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from Mr. G. Legg, Surveyor to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, relative to the re-building of premises at the corner of Princes-street and Rotherhithe-street, and asking the Board to take steps to cause the building to be set back to the general line, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 60). In connection with the subject, your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Vestry of Rotherhithe, requesting the Board to take action in the matter under the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 44). Princes-street, at its junction with Rotherhithe-street, is only 15 feet wide, and in no part is it more than about 25 feet in width. The original premises were condemned by the Board as a Dangerous Structure in October last, and the District Surveyor reports that no building notice was given to the Vestry until some days after the re-building had been commenced. Care has been taken, in re-instating the premises, to disturb as little as possible the old building, and the work is now nearly completed. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Legg and the Vestry of Rotherhithe be informed that the case appears to be one in which the Vestry should exercise any powers they may possess for dealing with cases of such a nature.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Mr. J. D. Hobson, on behalf of Dr. Rigg, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop front at No. 138, Horseferry-road, Westminster, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 62). It is proposed to convert the ground floor of the house into a shop, the front projecting about 18 inches, in a line with the adjoining shop. Horseferry-road is at this point less than 40 feet in width, and the Wesleyan College, adjoining to the Southward, has been erected in a line with the wall of No. 138, thus increasing the width in that part of the road to 40 feet. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also to report that they have had under consideration the Letter from Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor relative to the non-payment of his fees in respect of alterations to a building in Richardson-street, Long-lane, Bermondsey, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 72). The payment of the District Surveyor's Fees is resisted on the ground that the external and party walls of the building have not been altered, but that the walls have merely been repaired by the substitution of new bricks for old. The District Surveyor points out that the work done involved the re-construction of portions of the walls, and he suggests that the Board should bear the expense of legal proceedings. It has been the practice of the Board to decline requests of this nature, and your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Williams be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the Board see no reason to interfere in the matter.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Messrs. Ernest George and Peto, on behalf of Messrs. Warner and Andrews, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the separation and construction of premises in Mount-street, Berkeley-square, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 75). The applicants wish to construct the new premises so as to let off part of the ground floor and basement as shops, with separate entrances. It is therefore proposed to separate the shops from the rest of the building vertically by brick walls and horizontally by arches of hollow terra-cotta blocks, supported on rolled iron joists. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. F. J. Clarke, complaining of the erection of shops by Mr. Ward at Lime-villas, Upper Richmond-road, Putney, beyond the present line of frontage, and of the formation of a mews at the rear of the shops, and of the road-way entrances thereto, and asking the Board not to allow Mr. Ward to carry out his mews and road-way schemes, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 35). Mr. Clarke states that the erection of the shops and mews will be injurious to the character of the neighbourhood, and will depreciate the value of the neighbouring property. The subject has been fully considered on several occasions, and on the 8th ultimo the Board, on the recommendation of your Committee, resolved that the buildings should be sanctioned. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Clarke be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the Board deem it inexpedient to take any action in the matter.

The Board on Friday last (No. 56), referred to your Committee the application of the Rev. J. B. Barraclough, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected in connection with the Jewish Episcopal Church in Parmiter-street (late Gloucester-street), Bethnal-green. The Board, on the 8th February, 1884, granted their sanction to the erection of the building, and sanctioned it for a period of two years. The District Surveyor states that the building is in a perfectly good condition. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, for a period of Two years from the 19th instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. G. Saunders, for a dispensation by the Board with so much of their Bye-Law as relates to the foundations and sites of buildings, in the case of a proposed Class-room at St. Paul's National Schools, proposed to be erected over a part of the disused Churchyard of St. Paul's Parish Church, at Hammersmith, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 63). The schools have been erected with an upper floor extending over part of the old Burial-ground. It is now proposed to use the space beneath by building an additional class-room on the ground floor level. This part of the Churchyard measures 21 feet by 17 feet, and has been used for interments up to about the year 1851. Your Committee consider the proposal very objectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board on Friday last (No. 61), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. F. J. Pilkington, on behalf of the Artizans,' Labourers,' and General Dwellings Company, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of a block of Artizans' Dwellings on the South side of Broadley-street, Lisson-grove, St. Marylebone, exceeding the height prescribed by the 85th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862. Broadley-street is 40 feet in width, and the applicant proposes to erect buildings, consisting of shops on the ground floor and dwellings above, abutting immediately upon the pavement line, to the height of 60 feet, measured from the pavement level to the flat roof of the building, or 20 feet in excess of the height allowed by the Act for buildings in a new street. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

A. EWIN,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
WM. SHEPHERD,
W. R. SELWAY.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the Board, in exercise of the authority conferred upon them by the 45th Section of the Metropolitan Board

of Works (Various Powers) Act, 1882, do, with a view to the safety of the public, make the following Rules, with respect to the Grand Theatre in High-street, Islington—

1.—That the present bolts and fastenings be removed from the exit doors, and that each of such exit doors be fastened by a single bolt shot by a handle fixed at a height of 3 feet from the floor, such bolt to be fixed on the side of the door next the auditorium, and to be of a pattern to be approved by the Board.

2.—That an inscription be painted in white letters, not less than 2 inches high, upon a black ground, upon each of the exit doors on the side next the auditorium, stating that such door may be opened in case of emergency by turning the handle, and also indicating where the exit leads and the direction to be taken to reach the street.

3.—That notices be painted upon the walls of the corridors in white letters, not less than 2 inches high, upon a black ground, with index hands to show the way out.

4.—That the projecting box office in the stall corridor be removed half an hour before the commencement of every performance.

5.—That a sufficient number of oil lamps, protected by iron wire guards, be provided in the corridors and on the landings of the staircases to light the same in the event of the gas becoming extinguished, and that such lamps be kept burning during the whole time of every performance.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Notice to the foregoing effect be prepared by the Solicitor; that it be sealed in duplicate, and be served upon the person by whom the Theatre is kept open for public entertainment, and that the Superintending Architect be instructed to survey the Theatre from time to time, and to report whether the Rules made by the Board have been observed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the works executed by the Owner of the Grand Theatre, in High-street, Islington, be accepted as a compliance with the Board's Notice under the Act of 1878.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Loyal United Friends' Hall, No. 72, Banner-street, St. Luke's, be approved, and that a Notice, containing the following Requisitions, be served upon the Owner thereof—

1.—That the entrance hall, next Banner-street, be enlarged by setting back the partition between such hall and the Secretary's room, to the line of the partition enclosing the ladies'-room at the rear.

2.—That the first-floor of the warehouse fronting upon Roscoe-street, which extends over a portion of the Hall, be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

3.—That the iron stove and the iron pipe flue to the same be removed, and that the stove be refixed, and a space of eighteen inches formed around the same of materials of an incombustible and non-conducting nature, as required by the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, Section 21, Sub-Sec. 2, and that a proper brick flue be provided to such stove.

4.—That the skylight and sashes of the lantern light, and the skylight to the ladies'-room, be protected by galvanised iron wire guards fixed on the outside.

5.—That the windows out of the North side of the warehouse next Roscoe-street, overlooking the Hall, be protected by wrought-iron hoppers, placed at an angle of 60 degrees with the horizon, and extending over the whole surface of such windows.

6.—That the entrance door-way, next Banner-street, be increased in width to 6 feet; that the door-way on the East side of the Hall, opening into the cart-way

out of Roscoe-street, be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches ; and that all doors used by the public, and the gates to the cart-way out of Roscoe-street, be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor ; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same ; and that, upon the receipt of such consent the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. Brandreth, on behalf of Mr. G. Ginnett, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts (Amendment) Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of the proposed North London Colosseum and National Hippodrome, on a site between Mayfield-street and Roseberry-place, Dalston-lane, be granted ; that the Drawings submitted by the applicant on the 3rd December, 1885, and the 19th January, 1886, be approved ; and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the building in accordance with the approved Drawings to the satisfaction of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. Emden, on behalf of Messrs. Webb and Wilmot, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed new Theatre on the site of the “ Occidental ” Tavern, in Savoy-buildings (formerly Fountain-court), Strand, and the site of No. 106, Strand, as shown upon the amended Drawings accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the “ Horse Shoe ” Music-hall, No. 26, Clerkenwell-close, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878 be approved ; and that in the opinion of the Board the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That a new entrance lobby, 11 feet long, and 9 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the Music-hall, on the site of a portion of the yard, and the dust-bin and urinal at the rear of the premises. and that such entrance lobby be separated from the Public-house by brick walls not less than 14 inches thick without openings.

2.—That the present staircase to the Hall be pulled down, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place ; that such new staircase do have solid “ square ” (as distinguished from “ spandril ”) steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings ; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick ; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick ; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings ; that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board ; and that no opening be formed in the walls enclosing such staircase and the Public-house.

3.—That the floors of the Music-hall and of the Club-room adjoining be rendered fire-resisting in a manner to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be rendered fire-resisting in a manner to be approved by the Board.

5.—That the iron staircase to the Club-room be removed, and the flooring of the Music-hall made good with fire-resisting materials.

6.—That the central gangway between the ends of the seats on the South side of the Music-hall be increased in width to 3 feet.

7.—That the windows of the Club-room and Music-hall be protected by wrought-iron bars, $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch in diameter, to a height of 6 feet from the floor.

8.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase to the Music-hall.

9.—That all door-ways used by the public be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches; and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the joint application of Mr. T. Verity and Mr. S. Chadwick, on behalf of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, for approval by the Board of certain modifications in the Drawings for the re-construction of Humphreys' Hall, at Albert Gate, Knightsbridge, be approved, and that the consent of the Board be given to the construction of a new stone staircase, 4 feet 6 inches wide, leading directly from the restaurant in the basement of Humphreys' Mansion into High-road, Knightsbridge, as shown upon the Drawing signed by the Chairman of the Committee; that the Certificate of the Board be not issued until the completion of the staircase to their satisfaction; and that the Certificate, when issued, be subject to the due observance of the conditions specified by the Board in their Resolution of the 7th August last (No. 14).

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 102, Bunhill-row, St. Luke's, had failed to comply with the Order made by John Hosack, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Clerkenwell Police-court, on the 10th day of November last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby *resolved* and *ordered*, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the remaining parts of the Structure, No. 102, Bunhill-row, St. Luke's, condemned by the District Surveyor.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 46, Great College-street, Camden-town, St. Pancras, had failed to comply with the Order made by John Hosack, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Clerkenwell Police-court, on the 5th day of January last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby *resolved* and *ordered*, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed,

and they are hereby authorised to take down such parts of the brickwork of the chimney-stack and wall of the Structure, No. 46, Great College-street, Camden-town, St. Pancras, next No. 40, as are bulged and out of the perpendicular; and also the decayed brickwork of the back addition, and the roof over the gateway, and the decayed cement work of the front.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the course taken by the Superintending Architect with respect to the Dangerous Structure, No. 30, Wolverley-street, Bethnal-green, be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor, calling attention to the erection of buildings in Railey-mews, Levertton-street, St. Pancras, and that he be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the return of the sums deposited with the Board in respect of temporary structures sanctioned under the Building Act be approved and acted upon, and that the proper Officers of the Board be instructed to take the necessary steps accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Jones Brothers, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the Upper Richmond-road, Putney, and for the widening of Howard's-lane, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the road, and that the name, "Carmalt-gardens, S.W." be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. B. Gilbert, on behalf of Messrs. Crooke, Ellison and Bates, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Greyhound-lane, Streatham, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of the Rev. R. S. Hassard, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron room, erected on land adjoining Holy Trinity Church, in Mayfield-road, Dalston, be granted for a period of One year from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. G. Baines, on behalf of Messrs. J. W. Hobbs and Co., for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the erection of residential flats on the West side of Carlisle-street, Westminster, in the position and to the line shown thereon, and for approval of the open spaces at the rear of such buildings, as shown upon the said Plan, be granted upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. T. S. Archer, on behalf of Dr. T. Watney, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a street at "Waterside," leading out of Jews'-row, York-road, Wandsworth, and abutting upon the River Thames, be referred to the Bridges Committee, for consideration and report.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. H. F. Kite, on behalf of Mr. J. R. Roberts, relative to a house erected, or in course of erection in Collingham-road, at the corner of Harrington-gardens, Kensington, be approved, and that Mr. Kite be informed that any proceedings in the matter should be taken by the Vestry of Kensington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Stock, Page and Stock, on behalf of Mr. J. O. Parker, for a modification of the condition imposed by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd ultimo (No. 8), with reference to the period within which the re-erection of buildings from the “Eagle” Public-house, to the “Prince Teck” Public-house (both inclusive) on the North side of Abbey-street, Bermondsey, shall be commenced and completed, be granted, and that the re-erection of such buildings be allowed by the Board to be commenced within Six months, and to be completed within Eighteen months from Lady-day, 1890.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. F. Bentley, on behalf of the Rev. H. J. Van Doorne, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Church and buildings on the West side of Brixton-rise, between Horsford and Trent Roads, to the lines shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the Church and buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for the consent of this Board to the erection and construction of four open play-sheds at the Schools in Haseltine-road, Bell-green, Lower Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted upon condition that the erections therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Linsell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 243, 245, 247 and 249, Roman-road, Old Ford, Poplar, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letters from Mr. G. Legg, and the Vestry of Rotherhithe, relative to the re-building of premises at the corner of Princes-street and Rotherhithe-street, and asking the Board to take steps to cause the building to be set back to the general line, be approved; and that Mr. Legg and the Vestry be informed that the case appears to be one in which the Vestry should exercise any powers they may possess for dealing with cases of such a nature.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. D. Hobson, on behalf of the Rev. Dr. Rigg, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop front at No. 138, Horseferry-road, Westminster, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor, be informed in reply to his Letter, relative to the non-payment of his Fees in respect of alterations to a building in Richardson-street, Long-lane, Bermondsey, that the Board see no reason to interfere in the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Ernest George and Peto, on behalf of Messrs. Warner and Andrews, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the separation and construction of premises in Mount-street, Berkeley-square, be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. F. J. Clarke be informed in reply to his Letter complaining of the erection of shops by Mr. Ward at Limevillas, Upper Richmond-road, Putney, beyond the present line of frontage, and also complaining of the formation of a mews at the rear of the shops, and the road-way entrances

thereto, and asking the Board not to allow Mr. Ward to carry out his mews and road-way schemes, that the Board deem it inexpedient to take any action in the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of the Rev. J. B. Barraclough, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected in connection with the Jewish Episcopal Church, in Parmiter-street (late Gloucester-street), Bethnal-green, be granted for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. G. Saunders, for a dispensation by the Board with so much of their Bye-law as relates to the foundations and sites of buildings in the case of a proposed Class-room at St. Paul's National Schools, in St. Paul's Parish Churchyard, Hammersmith, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. F. J. Pilkington, on behalf of the Artizans', Labourers', and General Dwellings Company, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of a block of Artizans' Dwellings on the South side of Broadley-street, Lisson-grove, St. Marylebone, exceeding the height prescribed by the 85th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, be not granted.

4. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 16th February, 1886.

The Board's Various Powers Bill, now before Parliament, contains a provision that the Board may from time to time divert and alter any existing footpath, and right-of-way over the land formerly belonging to Dulwich College, which by an Act of last Session was vested in the Board for the purpose of a public Park, and may stop up and close any such paths and rights-of-way, or means of access to the land. There is a proviso, however, that the Board shall not stop up or divert any existing footpath over the land, until it shall have provided a substitute for the same. There are several houses and premises adjacent to the proposed Park, the owners and occupiers of which claim rights of access to the land, and there is also a public footpath across the South-Eastern portion of the ground. Your Committee have, through the Board's Officers, been in communication with Mr. C. Barry, the Surveyor to the Governors of Dulwich College, with a view to coming to some arrangement with reference to these rights-of-way and rights of access, before the passing of the Bill, and they have now to submit to the Board the terms of an arrangement which it is proposed to make. Upon a Plan which will be laid upon the table of the Board are shown the means of access which it is proposed to substitute for the back entrances on to the ground from various premises, and with respect to the premises marked with the Letter "G" on the Plan, it is proposed that the rights of access shall in that case be got rid of by the Board purchasing the leasehold interest. As regards the footpath across the South-Eastern portion of the ground to be laid out as a Park, Mr. Barry proposes that the Governors shall undertake to make a road 40 feet wide, leading from Dulwich College-road to Lordship-lane, in substitution for the footpath, and that the Board shall re-convey to the Governors the part of the said ground, about $1\frac{3}{4}$ acres in extent, which the proposed road will cut off from the remainder of the ground. As regards the boundary wall or fence to be erected around the proposed Park, Mr. Barry is willing, in case of any difference between the Board and Governors as to the kind of fence, to leave the question to be decided by Sir Henry A. Hunt, or some other Arbitrator to be mutually agreed upon. The only point in the proposed arrangement about which your Committee have felt any hesitation is the surrender to the Governors of the small piece of ground which the new road will cut off from the remainder of the Park, but, having regard to the small extent of the ground, and to the fact that its

separation from the remainder would render it of little value to the public, your Committee are of opinion that the Board may properly be advised to consent to it. The ground being vested in the Board by the Act of last Session, it cannot be re-conveyed to the Governors without the sanction of Parliament, but an additional provision could be inserted in the Board's Various Powers Bill of this Session, to authorise the surrender of the ground. Your Committee recommend—

That the proposed arrangement be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to conclude an Agreement with the College in accordance therewith, and to apply for leave to insert an additional provision in the Board's Various Powers Bill, to give statutory force to the arrangement.

Your Committee have ascertained from your Solicitor that the South-Eastern Railway Company is willing to abandon that portion of its Bill now before Parliament asking for an extension of time for the purchase of property and the completion of the works in Southwark, authorised by one of the Company's Acts of the year 1882. It is to this part of the Bill that, as the Board is aware, there has been and is so much well-founded opposition on the part of the local authorities and the inhabitants of the locality concerned, and in support of whose objections the Board has resolved to petition Parliament against the Bill. There are one or two other points in the Bill with respect to which allegations are made in the Board's Petition, and which it will be necessary to arrange with the Company. As to this there will probably not be much difficulty, and your Committee recommend—

That, on the South-Eastern Railway Company giving an undertaking to abandon that portion of its Bill now before Parliament, asking for an extension of time for the purchase of property and the completion of its works in Southwark, and to make such further amendments in the Bill as the Board may require, the Board's Petition against the Bill be withdrawn.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W. R. SELWAY,
GEO. EDWARDS,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
ROBERT JONES.

The Plan referred to in the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the arrangement proposed to be made with the Governors of Dulwich College with reference to the rights of access to and across the ground vested in the Board for the purpose of a Park at Dulwich, be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to conclude an Agreement with the Governors in accordance therewith, and to apply for leave to insert an additional provision in the Board's Various Powers Bill, to give statutory force to the arrangement.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. J. Jones—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

After discussion, Mr. Selway suggested that the Letter on the subject, received from Mr. C. Barry, the Architect to the Governors of the College, should be read.

The Clerk, by direction of the Board, then read the Letter from Mr. Barry, dated 12th February, 1886, stating that he had been instructed to say that the Governors of the College, appreciating the desire of the Board to meet their views, and not wishing to embarrass them in Parliament with respect to their Various Powers Bill, would not present a Petition to the House of Commons against the Bill, relying upon the arrangements conditionally made between the Superintending Architect and him (Mr. Barry) being forthwith embodied in an Agreement, and proper Clauses being inserted in the Bill to give effect to the same; that the Governors reserved their right, however, should they think it necessary, to petition in the House of Lords, and that they attached much importance to their suggestion as to the boundary of the Park between

Dulwich-common-road and Grove-hill, and considered that they might fairly ask the Board to agree to carry it out.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 7, against it 15 ; and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down when there were—

For the Amendment—7.			Against the Amendment—14.		
Brown, G., Esq.	Saunders, J. E.,		Boucher, W., Esq.	Funnell, P. W., Esq.	
Harris, C., Esq.	Esq., Deputy.		Bradfield, J. E.,	Lindsay, W. A., Esq.	
Jolly, J. R., Esq.	Wetenhall, W. J.,		Esq.	Price, S., Esq.	
Jones, J., Esq,	Esq.		Edwards, G., Esq.	Reddish, J., Esq.	
			Ewin, A., Esq.	Robson, W., Esq.	
			Fardell, T. G., Esq.	Shepherd, W., Esq.	
			Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Urquhart, W., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Dresser Rogers.			Teller—Mr. Selway.		

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried ; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That, upon the South-Eastern Railway Company giving an undertaking to abandon that portion of their Bill, now before Parliament, asking for an extension of time for the purchase of property and the completion of their works in Southwark, and to make such further amendments in the Bill as the Board may require, the Board's Petition against the Bill be withdrawn.

5. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th February, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage work proposed to be executed by the St Giles' District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARK.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
Colonnade, Bernard-street	398	4'0" x 2' 6"	1 brick	Recommended as applied for.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the St. Giles' District Board be permitted to construct and execute the said work in the manner therein recommended.

6. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th February, 1886, on applications from the following Vestries and District Boards, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of Applications	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.	
CHELSEA.						
1886. 11th Feb.	Limerston-street, in four sections	Re-paving road-way	6 days each section	6 days each section	These are unimportant streets as regards the general carriage traffic through them.	
ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.						
12th Feb.	Little Paltency-street	Re paving	7 weeks	7 weeks		
	Brewer-street	do.	4 ..	4 ..		
	Glasshouse-street, from Brewer-street to Regent-street	do.	2 ..	2 ..		
SAINT GILES.						
12th Feb.	Colonnade	Sewerage	4 weeks	4 weeks		
HACKNEY.						
18th Feb.	Well-street, from Cassland-road to Elsdale-street	Sewerage	2 weeks	2 weeks	Cassland and Terrace Roads.	

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestries and District Boards, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th February, 1886, stating that Mr. B. Knight's Contract with the Board for the removal of ashes and refuse from the Abbey Mills Pumping Station would expire on the 25th March next, and that it had been undertaken for a period of three years, at £199 per annum; submitting a Letter from Mr. Knight, offering to renew the Contract, upon the same terms, for another three years, also stating that Mr. Knight had executed the work in a satisfactory manner, and recommending that his offer should be accepted, and that it should be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary Contract.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that the Solicitor do prepare a Contract accordingly.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th February, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contract—

<i>Crossness Pumping Station.</i>						ESTIMATE.
Re-constructing Nos. 2 and 3 Benches of Retorts	...	...	...	...	...	£80 0 0
Constructing a short length of the Tramway behind the River-wall	...	...	...	...	...	100 0 0
Total						£180 0 0

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th February, 1886, stating that a three ton locomotive steam crane, with a gib of 20 feet radius complete, was required for use at the Crossness Pumping Station, for the purpose of loading vessels with the Sewage cake, and recommending that the crane should be supplied and erected by Messrs. Alexander Chaplin and Co., of Glasgow, at a cost of £360.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and that the crane be supplied by Messrs. Chaplin and Co. accordingly, the cost being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th February, 1886, stating that a banksman, in the employ of the Contractor for the Holloway, &c., Relief Sewerage works, whilst working on the stage over the shaft at Highbury-hill yesterday, had accidentally fallen from the stage to the bottom of the shaft, and had been killed on the spot.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received.

11. The Solicitor read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department,
19th February, 1886.

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (VARIOUS POWERS) BILL, 1886.

I have to report that the time has expired for lodging Petitions against this Bill, and the following is a list of those presented—

Metropolitan District Railway Company.
Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company.
Great Western and London and North-Western Railway Companies.
South-Eastern Railway Company.
New River Company.

I present a print of each Petition.

The Bill was read a second time in the House of Commons yesterday.

I would remind the Board that any objection to the *locus standi* of the Petitioners must be delivered before the next Meeting of the Parliamentary Committee. After conferring with the Parliamentary Agents it seems to us that probably the Great Western Railway Company and the London and North-Western Railway Company have not a *locus standi* upon their joint Petition. I would ask the Board to authorise me to have objections delivered, and they can be dealt with hereafter as may be deemed expedient.

As to the other Petitioners I have no doubt the parties have a *locus standi* to appear before the Committee, although probably their opposition may be removed by proper Clauses.

(Signed) REGINALD WARD,
Solicitor.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that the Solicitor be authorised accordingly.

12. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill has been appointed for this evening; that a Petition had been presented against it by the Fire Insurances Offices in the Metropolis, and that Mr. Dixon-Hartland had given notice to postpone the second reading of the Bill for six months.
13. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill (Mr. Dixon-Hartland), had been appointed for this evening.
14. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Sanitation of Houses Bill had been appointed for the 19th May next.
15. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 1) Bill, had been appointed for this evening, and that Mr. Tomlinson had given notice to defer the second reading for six months.
16. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill, had been appointed for the 10th March next, and he presented a copy of the Bill.
17. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Land Purchase Facilities Bill had been appointed for the 7th July next.
18. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

19. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill, and stated that the Bill provided for the amendment of the Copyhold Acts, and for the Enfranchisement of Copyhold and Customary Lands, and that the second reading in the House of Commons had been appointed for the 24th instant.
20. The Solicitor reported that the following Notices had been placed on the Paper of the House of Commons—

Mr. Baumann—On second reading of Metropolitan Board of Works (Keeping of Firewood) Bill—That it be read a second time upon this day six months. (Thursday, 18th February.)

Mr. Cremer—To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department if the Government intend, at an early date, to introduce a Bill dealing with the Government of London. (Monday, 22nd February.)

Mr. James Stuart—To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department what are the intentions of Her Majesty's Government with respect to the reform of the Municipal Government of London.

Mr. James—Commons and Inclosure Acts Amendment—Bill to amend the Commons and Inclosure Acts.

Mr. Hastings—Rivers Purification—Bill for the Purification of Rivers.
(Monday, 22nd February.)

21. The Solicitor reported that a Petition had been presented against the Metropolitan Board of Works (Water Supply, &c.) Bill, by the Kent Waterworks Company, which Petition had been ordered to lie upon the table.
22. The Solicitor reported that a question had arisen between the Board and the East London Water Company, as to the action of that Company with reference to Fire plugs, and that a somewhat similar question as to the Lambeth Water Company was now before the Works and General Purposes Committee, and he suggested that the Board should refer the question as to the East London Water Company to that Committee, that it might be reported upon at the same time.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the suggestion of the Solicitor be acted upon, and that the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee accordingly.

23. The Solicitor reported that the Chairman had since the last Meeting of the Board affixed the Seal to Petitions to the House of Commons against the undermentioned Bills—

East London Water Company,
Lambeth Water Company,
Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company,
Greenwich and Millwall Subway,
Horse Guards-avenue,
Lee River Purification,
South-Eastern Railway,

And he presented a copy of each of the Petitions.

24. The Solicitor reported that he had not yet received the Treasury sanction to the period for re-payment of the Loan of £100,000 to the School Board for London, and he suggested that the Board should now draw a Cheque for the amount of the Loan, and also a Cheque for £125 for the Stamp-duty, to enable him to complete the arrangement so soon as the sanction of the Treasury should be received.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the suggestion of the Solicitor be approved and acted upon, and that Cheques for £100,000 and £125 be now drawn; and Cheques were drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund and the General Working Account accordingly.

25. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Notice, in duplicate, as to structural defects in the Helvetia Music-hall (late the Hibernian Stores), Nos. 6 and 7, Old Compton-street, Soho, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd January last (No. 8.)

Conveyance to Mr. T. Yeo of land in Wentworth-street and George-yard, Whitechapel, which formed Lot No. 17 at the sale by Auction on 26th January last (Goulston-street, &c., Scheme).

Conveyance by Mr. S. Stone, of Nos. 51, 52 and 53, High-street, and land adjoining, at Hampstead, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Hampstead Improvements).

Conveyance by Mr. H. Siebert, of premises in Trench-street, Church-gardens, and Lower Gun Alley, St. George-in-the-East, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Trench-street Scheme).

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

26. The Solicitor presented a notice of action against the Board, at the suit of Mr. Watson, in respect of injury alleged to have been sustained by him by the fall of

a hoarding erected around buildings, which were in course of demolition, in the line of the Southwark-bridge-road Improvement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the proceedings in the action be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they arrive with regard thereto.

27. The Solicitor read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department.

February 19th, 1886.

The Board is aware that Portland Hall, Langham-place, has, since the 23rd December, 1885, been opened as an exhibition of Indian manners, accompanied by a band of music. It was pointed out to the owners of the Hall, that this having been done without a Certificate, was an infringement of the 12th Section of the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878.

In the judgment of the Board the building was not properly constructed, so as to avoid danger from fire, but the Defendant persisted in continuing the performance, and, in accordance with the instructions of the Board, I took out a Summons upon the 29th January, 1886, to recover the sum of £200, being a penalty of £50 a day for four of the days upon which the Hall was open to the public in contravention of the statute.

The Summons was heard before Mr. Mansfield, at the Marlborough-street Police-court yesterday, when Counsel appeared, as representing the Board and the Defendant, who held the usual Justices' License.

The facts were fully gone into before the Magistrate, who said he had no doubt that the Defendant had altogether disregarded the jurisdiction of the Board, and he therefore fined the Defendant £40 penalty, and awarded to the Board £10 costs.

The Magistrate said he apprehended the Defendant must now close the building, upon which he had expended a large sum of money, otherwise he would have inflicted a larger penalty.

(Signed) R. WARD,
Solicitor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received.

28. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 12th instant (No. 15), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Queen-street, &c.	...	...	...	Kensington and Chelsea.
Hyde-street, High-street, St. Paul, Deptford	...	...	...	Greenwich.
Hyde-street, Clifton-hill	...	Do.	...	Do.
Seymour-place, &c.	...	Do.	...	Do.
Seymour-street, &c.	...	Do.	...	Do.
Amott-road	...	...	...	Camberwell.
Victoria-road, &c.	...	...	...	Lewisham.
Pope-street, &c., Eltham	...	...	...	Plumstead.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

29. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mrs. C. Desgratoulet, dated 12th February, 1886, asking the Board, for the reasons stated therein, to re-consider her claim for compensation for alleged loss consequent on the occasional flooding of the basement of her houses, Nos. 162, 164, 166, 168 and 170, Tachbrook-street, Pimlico; and expressing regret that a manhole should have been made opposite No. 170 in that street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

30. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. Pope, dated 12th February, 1886, suggesting that the street lamp-posts might be utilised for ventilating the Sewers of the Metropolis.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee.

31. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. D. Morris, Clerk to the Vestry of Tooting, dated 16th February, 1886, forwarding a copy Resolution of the Vestry, approving of the proposed Tramway from Clapham to Merton, and expressing a hope that the Board would sanction the scheme.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded and resolved—That the consideration of the said Letter be deferred until Friday next, when the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee with respect to the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme is further considered.

32. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. T. Penfold, dated 17th February, 1886, asking the Board to receive a Deputation of ratepayers to present a Memorial in favour of the South Metropolitan Tramway Scheme.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That Mr. Penfold be informed that if he will send in a written statement in support of the scheme, it shall be carefully considered, but that the Board do not think it necessary that the Deputation should attend.

33. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. Parish, Clerk to the Erith Local Board, dated 16th February, 1886, referring to the Letter from the Local Board of the 28th October last, and requesting certain information as to the Sewage experiments which the Board had been conducting at Crossness, and as to their future proceedings with regard thereto.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration with authority to send a reply thereto.

34. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. R. Hordley, dated 16th February, 1886, transmitting an extract from a Newspaper giving an account of Sewage experiments conducted by him before the Mayor and Corporation of Stoke.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

35. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street,
Westminster, S.W.,
16th February, 1886.

METROPOLITAN ASYLUM DISTRICT—SURPLUSES ON LOANS.

DEAR SIR,—We are instructed by the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District to communicate with your Board, and to request them to accept re-payment of the balances of certain Loans at once, and the circumstances under which we make this application are as follow—

- 1.—By a Deed of further charge on the Common Fund of the District, dated the 4th March, 1871, a Loan of £7,550 was secured to be re-paid to your Board, and included in this was an item of £6,204, which was authorised to be borrowed under an Order of the Poor Law Board, dated the 9th July, 1870, for works at the Stockwell and Homerton Hospitals.

The Committees for these Hospitals could not, however, agree as to the division of the sum referred to, and in future applications for Loans the fact that the above-mentioned sum of £6,204 was in hand was altogether ignored. Up to the present time an amount of £1,918 has been re-paid on the Loan of £7,550, proportionately therefore an amount of £1,575 11s. has been re-paid on account of the item of £6,204, leaving a balance of £4,628 9s., which the Managers are now desirous of re-paying forthwith.

- 2.—By a Deed of further charge on the Common Fund of the District, dated 24th August, 1880, a Loan of £18,200 was secured to be re-paid to your Board, and included in this was an item of £5,250, for alterations and additions at the Fulham Hospital, which was authorised to be borrowed under an Order of the Local Government Board, dated the 28th July, 1879. This sum, however, was never

applied for the purpose, and at this date the Managers have this amount in hand. Up to the present time £1,860 has been re-paid of the Loan of £18,200, proportionately therefore, the sum of £536 10s. has been re-paid on the Loan of £5,250, leaving a balance of £4,713 10s., which sum the Managers are also desirous of re-paying at once.

We shall feel obliged by you informing us whether your Board are prepared to accept immediate re-payment of these two sums of £4,628 9s. and £4,713 10s.

We are, &c.,

(Signed)

CHAS. ROGERS, SONS, AND RUSSELL.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

36. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Richmond, Hon. Secretary of the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Workmen's Political Vigilance Association, dated 16th February, 1886, transmitting a copy of Resolutions passed by the Association, and asking the Board to receive a Deputation of the Association on the subject of the erection of Artizans' dwellings on the vacant sites of the Metropolis, in order to give work to the unemployed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Deputation be received by the Board on Friday next, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

37. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Bridger, Clerk to the Hampstead Vestry, dated 16th February, 1886, referring to the previous Letter from the Vestry relative to a suggested extension of the cricket-ground on Hampstead-heath, and transmitting a copy of a communication from the Metropolitan Public Gardens, &c., Association, offering to defray the whole cost of the labour which would be involved in making such extension.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. B. Hall, Secretary of the West Middlesex Waterworks Company, dated 17th February, 1886, transmitting a Notice of the intention of the Company to extend the system of constant supply of Water to a further portion of the district supplied by them in the Parish of St. Pancras.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Notice be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. E. Smith, Clerk to the Westminster District Board, dated 17th February, 1886, expressing the opinion of the District Board that as it was proposed in the Fire Brigade Expenses Bill to double the amount raised from the ratepayers for the purposes of the Brigade, the contributions of the Fire Insurance Companies should be increased in like proportion.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received

40. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. E. Smith, Clerk to the Westminster District Board, dated 17th February, 1886, stating that the District Board had resolved to petition against the Board's Water Supply Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. E. Smith, Clerk to the Westminster District Board, dated 17th February, 1886, stating, with reference to the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1877 (Amendment) Bill, that the District Board considered it desirable to favour a system of Subways under efficient local supervision, and with power to the local authority in each District to enforce the use of the Subways by the Gas, Water, Telephone and other Companies.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Potter, dated 18th February, 1886, with copy of a Resolution to the effect that the London Working Men's Association concurred in the object of the proposed Deputation to the Board for the purpose of requesting the Board to give immediate effect to the execution of the work of constructing a Tunnel between Greenwich and Millwall, in order to afford employment to a number of labourers now out of work.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be received.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Vestry, St. Mary Newington.

Vestry-hall, Walworth, S.E.,
19th February, 1886.

SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry to forward you the following copy of a Resolution passed upon the consideration of a Letter received from the Home Office, relating to the Hampstead-heath Enlargement Bill, 1886, now before Parliament, viz.—

That the Home Office be informed, in reply to their communication upon the operation of Clause 4 of the "Hampstead-heath Enlargement Bill, 1886," that this Vestry is not prepared to make any contribution towards the object in question, upon the following grounds (1) That, in the opinion of this Vestry, Hampstead-heath is already large enough for the requirements of the District. (2) That the cost of acquiring the Parliament-hill Estates could be better applied in providing new Open Spaces in other crowded parts of the Metropolis, and (3) That the duty of providing Open Spaces for the people within the Metropolitan area devolves upon the Metropolitan Board of Works, and should be provided for out of the funds derivable by the Board for that purpose.

And to request that you will be pleased to lay the same before the Board at their Meeting to-day.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) L. J. DUNHAM,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be received.

44. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 16th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.1	17.0	17.1	12.8	8.9	10.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	None.
	Camden ...	17.3	16.7	17.0	10.4	8.4	9.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston ...	16.7	16.4	16.6	13.0	11.4	12.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow ...	17.1	16.6	16.9	13.7	8.6	11.5	0.6	0.0	0.2	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.9	16.6	16.7	15.0	13.7	14.3	0.4	0.1	0.3	"
	" (Nine-elms) ...	16.6	16.3	16.5	15.4	12.0	13.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	"
	Kingsland-road ...	17.2	16.5	16.8	12.3	9.1	11.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross ...	17.3	16.1	16.7	16.3	11.4	14.1	0.6	0.4	0.5	"
	St. John's-wood ...	16.7	15.7	16.2	16.5	11.6	14.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Station closed for repairs.									
	Peckham ...	17.0	16.2	16.6	12.4	11.7	11.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Tooley-street... ..	16.7	16.2	16.5	12.5	10.1	11.4	0.5	0.0	0.2	"
	Clapham ...	16.8	16.4	16.6	16.2	12.5	13.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Lewisham ...	16.8	16.2	16.5	11.7	10.0	11.0	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Old Ford ...	17.9	16.9	17.3	11.9	6.4	9.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	17.2	16.2	16.6	12.3	9.6	10.7	0.2	0.1	0.1	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in Southwark-street, S.E., on the 11th February, 1886, at 7 p.m., was 1.6 inches.

45. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. S. W. Sloman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house and shops, on the East side of Calmington-road, Albany-road, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

46. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Woodthorpe and Hammond, on behalf of Mr. G. Wood, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 42 to 48, 52 to 62, 66 to 70 and 80 to 84, (even numbers only), Junction-road, Holloway, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

47. KENSINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Williams, District Surveyor, relative to the alleged irregular erection of a workshop building at the rear of No. 7, Bath-place, High-street.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

48. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Taylor, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the North side of Acre-lane, Brixton, at the corner of Ashmere-grove, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the space coloured Blue upon the Plan be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of the Board.

49. ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Williams and Gritten, on behalf of Sir G. E. Hodgkinson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of the Girls' Home, at the corner of Chenies-street and Huntley-street, Tottenham-court-road, with projecting bay-windows, and a porch and angle turret, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

50. ST. MARYLEBONE.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. M. Ridge, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open stone portico in front of No. 6, Hyde-park-place, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the portico therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date,

and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, enclosed, altered or raised without the consent of the Board.

51. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1886, on a Letter from Messrs. Baker and Sons, relative to the ownership of certain land required for access to roads, proposed to be formed by them, out of Fortune-green-lane, and conditionally approved by the Board on the 22nd January last (No. 8).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

52. KENSINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Godwin, on behalf of Colonel Gunter, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of roads to lead out Earl's-court-road, and of the name "Barkston-gardens, S.W." for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads.

53. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1886, on a Notice from Mr. G. Cokayne, of his intention to form a road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying such Notice, to lead out of High-street, Putney, and to apply the name "Norroy-road, S.W.", to the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Notice and Plan be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

54. ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Hatfield and Son, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a timber stage over the roof of No. 10, Little Marlborough-street, King-street, with openings in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

55. ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. W. Simmons, requesting that the amount of the Office fees paid by him in respect of two Licenses granted for the use of concrete in the construction of the walls of No. 63, Lincoln's-inn-fields, and of Offices at the rear thereof, might be returned to him.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

56. NEWINGTON.—Read a communication from Mr. Banister Fletcher M.P., District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of West Newington, and part of Lambeth, dated 9th February, 1886, notifying that certain alterations and additions at No. 2, Heiron-street, Walworth, were about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—*Resolved*, Mr. Banister Fletcher, M.P., District Surveyor for the District of West Newington, and part of Lambeth, did on the 9th day of February, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said Banister Fletcher, was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain alterations and additions at No. 2, Heiron-street, Walworth, and the said Banister Fletcher has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as

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aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. George Lansdown, District Surveyor for the District of East Newington, and part of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, be appointed by this Board, and the said George Lansdown is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 26th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 8.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **26th** day of **February**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

EDWARD RIDER COOK, ESQ., M.P.	WILLIAM URQUHART, ESQ.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, ESQ.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, ESQ.	JOHN ABBOTT, ESQ.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN- HALL, ESQ.
ALFRED EWIN, ESQ.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, ESQ.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.
ANDREW CAMERON, ESQ.	JOHN BONTHRON, ESQ.	JOHN JONES, ESQ.
CHARLES MOSSOP, ESQ.	JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.	ALFRED POCOCK, ESQ.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, ESQ.	ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, ESQ.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, ESQ.
HON. ALANDE TATTON EGER- TON, M.P.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQ., F.R.C.S., Eng.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, ESQ.
JOHN TOLHURST, ESQ.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH- ARDSON, ESQ.	GEORGE HILL, ESQ.
HENRY HARBEN, ESQ.	ROBERT FURNISS, ESQ.	JOHN LENANTON, ESQ.
GEORGE EDWARDS, ESQ.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, ESQ.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, ESQ.
CHARLES HARRIS, ESQ.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, ESQ.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL- LIAMS, ESQ.
SAMUEL PRICE, ESQ.	FREDERICK COX, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBSON, ESQ.
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, ESQ.	JOHN REDDISH, ESQ.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND- SAY, ESQ.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR- RETT, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, ESQ.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, ESQ., DEPUTY.
GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, ESQ.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOW- LER, BART., ALDERMAN, M.P.	

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board, held on the 19th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meetings respectively.
2. Read a Letter, as follows—

50, Crondall-street, Hoxton,
February 20th, 1886.

SIR JAMES MCGAREL-HOGG,

It is my painful duty to inform you that Mr. Thomas Turner passed away to eternal rest this morning. His end was perfect peace.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) K. COLES.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and **resolved**—That the Clerk do communicate to the family of the late Mr. Turner the Board's condolence with them in their bereavement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and *resolved*—That the decease of Mr. Turner be notified to the Vestry of Shoreditch.

3. A Deputation from the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Workmen's Political Vigilance Association, introduced by Mr. Shepherd, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. H. Richmond, Mr. R. Fairbairn, Mr. C. Hancock, Mr. W. Tingley, and Mr. W. H. Foreman, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Humble Memorial of the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Political Vigilance Association.

SEWETH—

That serious distress now exists amongst all the Working Class community, and many thousands of skilled and unskilled Labourers are unable to procure employment, the result of which their wives and families are reduced to a state of penury.

Your Petitioners, representing a Meeting of 3,000 workmen, held at Southwark-park on the 14th inst., were instructed to wait upon your Honourable Board to urge the absolute necessity of at once utilising the vacant sites in the Metropolis, by the erection of Artizan Dwellings.

Your Petitioners humbly request your Honourable Board to at once commence the local Improvements in the Parishes of Bermondsey and Rotherhithe, and to put in force the powers which have been acquired by your Honourable Board under the Metropolitan Improvements Acts.

Signed for the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Workmen's Political Vigilance Association.

(Signed) H. RICHMOND,
Hon. Sec.

Feb. 26th, 1886.

The Deputation handed in a list of the Improvements referred to in the Memorial.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Tolhurst, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

4. Mr. Runtz handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Hackney District.

Town-hall, Hackney, E.,
February 25, 1886.

LEE PURIFICATION BILL.

DEAR SIR,—This Bill having now reached the second reading, it has been suggested that a conference should be sought with the Parliamentary Committee of the Metropolitan Board of Works, who have the matter before them, and I am directed to ask whether your Board will authorise their Committee to receive a Deputation from my Board at an early date.

To J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

Yours, &c.
(Signed) RICHARD ELLIS.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, with authority to receive the proposed Deputation.

5. Mr. J. Jones, handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Strand District.

5, Tavistock-street, Covent-garden, W.C.,
25th February, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—The Board having been informed that it is under the consideration of the Metropolitan Board of Works whether an increase in the Salaries of those in the employ of that Board shall be made, I am directed, by a Resolution of this Board, to state that, in the

opinion of the Board, and having regard to the general depression of trade in the country, it is very undesirable that at the present time, by an increase in such Salaries being made, the burden on the Ratepayers should be augmented.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. M. JENKINS,
Clerk to the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. J. Jones, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

6. Mr. Runtz handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Hackney District.

Town-hall, Hackney, E.,
24th February, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—The Board of Works for the Hackney District have been in negotiation with the Owners of certain houses at High-street, Homerton, now in the course of re-erection, for the purpose of effecting an Improvement by widening this narrow main thoroughfare, and herewith I am directed to forward you Plan and duplicate, showing the proposed Improvement, the cost of which is estimated at £300, and to request the consideration of the Metropolitan Board of Works thereto with a view to their contributing a moiety of the cost.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq. Yours, &c.,
(Signed) RICHARD ELLIS.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

7. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 23rd February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 6th February, 1886...	...	...	...	£215,957 16 8	
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day				39,813 12 11	
					£255,771 9 7
Payments since 6th February, 1886	...	...	...	...	53,828 10 7
Balance on 20th February, 1886	{ viz. : Cash Balance at Bank ...		£204,477 15 1		
	{ Less cheques not presented		2,534 16 1		
					201,942 19 -

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance on 6th February, 1886	...	...	...	...	£894 19 7
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	...	5,729 19 3
					£6,624 18 10
Payments since 6th February, 1886	...	...	...	...	5,434 15 4
Balance on 20th February, 1886	{ viz. : Cash Balance at Bank...		£1,204 4 11		
	{ Less cheques not presented		14 1 5		
					1,190 3 6

Total Cash Balances on 20th February, 1886**£203,133 2 6***Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.*

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 6th February, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.		Balances, 20th February, 1886.		Cheques drawn but not issued.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.	At Debit.	At Credit.	
Working Accounts—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s.
General ...	55,227 - 2	...	33,754 10 6	7,686 17 9	29,159 7 5	...	473 1
Fire Brigade ...	8,061 13 6	...	520 19 1	4,244 6 6	11,785 - 11	...	16 10
Bridges ...	...	6,396 13 4	22 4 2	6 11 5	...	6,412 6 1	...
Capital Accounts—							
General ...	...	391,644 10 10	...	2,383 4 11	...	389,261 5 11	500 -
Fire Brigade ...	722 7 3	...	...	353 13 11	1,076 1 2	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1877)...	14 7 6	...	...	15 - -	29 7 6	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1881)	3,155 15 10	...	...	1,200 4 10	4,356 - 8	...	2,842 10
Bridges (Act of 1883)	79 - 10	...	...	1,630 9 -	1,709 9 10	...	...
Main Drainage and Main Sewers ...	6,307 4 -	...	...	2,666 5 8	8,973 9 8	...	15 -
Parks and Open Spaces ...	54 19 9	...	...	23 3 9	78 3 6	...	...
Highbury Fields ...	60,301 11 6	...	...	...	60,301 11 6	...	...
Streets (Act of 1872)...	...	...	...	22 16 10	22 16 10	...	935 7
Streets (Act of 1877)...	12,476 13 2	...	...	13,676 9 6	26,153 2 8	...	19,084 2
Tooley-street Extension (Act of 1882) }	...	...	...	3 8 -	3 8 -	...	...
Streets (Act of 1883)...	18,200 13 9	...	...	12,814 9 10	31,015 3 7	...	21,832 -
Streets (Act of 1884)...	2,857 - 3	...	...	4 11 2	2,861 11 5	...	...
Streets (Act of 1885)...	7 10 -	...	...	...	7 10 -	...	...
Appold Street ...	...	192 10 1	...	...	...	192 10 1	...
Hampstead Improvements ...	30,920 2 4	...	16 8	2,552 1 -	33,455 15 4	...	11,824 16
Poplar Improvement...	16 19 7	...	...	...	16 19 7	...	...
Thames Floods Prevention ...	75 15 7	...	...	34 12 9	113 8 4	...	...
					:		
Miscellaneous—							
Dwelling House Improvement Fund...	...	3,469 7 2	17 19 3	3,351 19 11	...	135 6 6	10,352 4 1
Consolidated Loans Fund ...	...	12,516 10 4	5,481 11 11	1,111 7 3	...	16,886 15 -	101,770 5
Firemen's Savings Fund ...	...	216 19 11	...	46 16 7	...	170 3 4	...
	198,478 15	414,436 11 8	39,813 12 11	53,828 10 7	211,115 7 11	413,058 6 11	169,645 18 8
	£215,957 16 8				£201,942 19 -		

INVESTMENTS.

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND ...	...	£3,120 8 5	...	Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT ...	...	£99,545 4 1	...	Treasury Bills, due 7th April, 1886.
Do. ...	...	£99,666 13 4	...	Do. 6th May, 1886.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 8th to 20th February, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

Assessments—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Chelsea	£8,138 17 10						
Lewisham District	8,956 10 7						
Plumstead District	5,163 17 7						
Westminster District	9,712 19 1						
		31,972	5	1			
Supplemental Assessments, <i>re</i> Government property—							
Westminster District	£3 15 3						
Whitechapel District	1,356 11 10						
		1,360	7	1			
Fees—							
<i>Re</i> Construction of buildings (Building Act)	£3 - -						
„ Dangerous structures „	192 10 6						
„ Gas-meter testing	32 4 10						
„ Petroleum	16 15 -						
„ Explosives	7 11 -						
		252	1	4			
Fine—							
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	1 - -						
Costs recovered—							
<i>Re</i> Leases	£80 5 -						
„ Rent	10 1 6						
Law-costs, &c.	2 7 -						
		92	13	6			
Proceeds of sales of carcasses—							
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	65 16 8						
Plans, &c., sold	1 17 -						
Refund of cost of repairs to trenches, Finsbury-park-roads	5 9 10						
Refund of cost of damage to railings on Victoria-embankment	2 - -						
Rates returned	1 - -						
		33,754	10	6			

FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.

Contributions from men towards rent	103 17 -						
Chimney-fire penalties... ..	15 - -						
Attendance at ex-metropolitan fire	1 1 -						
Watching premises	400 4 -						
Return of unclaimed wages	- 17 1						
		520	19	1			

BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.

Rent	22 4 2						
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HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.

Rent	16 8 -						
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DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Rent	17 19 3						
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CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Rent	3,791 17 9						
Loans—							
Interest	£808 2 11						
Repayments	474 13 3						
		1,282	16	2			
Sales—							
Camberwell and Peckham	£315 - -						
Charing Cross to Tottenham-court road	37 - -						
Piccadilly to Oxford-street	16 13 -						
Old stores	13 4 11						
		281	17	11			
Bank of England—							
Fractions of pence on dividend account	15 10 2						
Interest on amount deposited at London and Westminster Bank, <i>re</i> Evans	7 17 10						
Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by Board	1 12 1						
		5,481	11	11			
		£39,813	12	11			

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct ; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £20,308 2s. 4d., be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding ; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of St. Pancras for payment of the Board's promised contribution towards the Improvement of Woodsome-road, Highgate-road, referred by the Board on the 30th October last (No. 7). The Board on the 21st January, 1881 (No. 7), agreed to contribute a sum not exceeding £500 towards the cost of the Improvement and opening up of Woodsome-road, estimated at £2,000, on the usual Certificates of their Officers ; and by a further Resolution passed on the 18th December, 1885 (No. 6), the Board on the recommendation of the Works Committee, who had had the accounts of the cost of effecting the Improvement before them, reduced their promised contribution from £500 to £395, being one-half of the net cost, excluding the charges for works. These facts having been brought to the notice of your Committee, and the necessary Certificate by your Superintending Architect of the completion of the work submitted to them, they recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn for £395 in favour of the Vestry of St. Pancras, being the amount to which the contribution was limited by the Board on the 18th December, 1885, in respect of the Improvement effected at Woodsome-road.

Your Committee have also considered the application of the Vestry of St. Pancras, for payment of the Board's promised contribution towards the Improvement of Princess-terrace, Gloucester-road, referred by the Board on the 29th January last (No. 34). The Board, on the 8th August, 1884 (No. 7), agreed to contribute one-half of the net cost, not exceeding £468, of the widening of this road on the usual Certificates of their Officers. Your Accountant, having certified that the sum of £937 has been paid for the land acquired, and your Superintending Architect that the necessary works have been satisfactorily completed, your Committee recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £468, in favour of the Vestry of St. Pancras, being the amount of the Board's promised contribution towards the Improvement at Princess-terrace.

On the 3rd July last (No. 7) an application was submitted to the Board from the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, for a Loan of a sum of £24,000 to purchase land and erect, fit up, and furnish a Vestry-hall and Offices, and on the 23rd October last (No. 15) the Board passed an Order sanctioning the borrowing by the Vestry of £5,000 to purchase land, and £16,000 to erect the Vestry-hall and Offices, leaving the question of fittings and furnishing open until their nature and cost had been decided upon by the Vestry, and it was referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan. During the necessary investigation by that Officer, a doubt arose as to the power of the Vestry, who proposed to accommodate the Guardians by providing Offices for them in the same building, which necessitated the purchase of more land and the erection of a larger building than the Vestry would otherwise have required ; and as this extra expenditure, although probably legal and beneficial as affecting the interests of the Parish as represented by the Guardians, was outside the purposes for which the Vestry are empowered by the 183rd Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, to borrow money, your Solicitor considered that the Board could not properly make the advance, and a case was accordingly prepared and submitted to Mr. Brickdale, an eminent conveyancing Counsel, whose opinion was that, as the Vestry and Guardians in this Parish had always occupied Offices in the same building, it was within the spirit of the Act, though

not the letter, that the Vestry might provide a new building to be occupied as the old, and that this Board were not bound to interpose their veto, though considering the doubt to which the point was open, he did not advise the Board to lend the money. The representatives of the Vestry were dissatisfied with this opinion, and accordingly your Committee decided that a further opinion should be taken, and that it should be referred to the Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of the Finance Committee and your Solicitor to ascertain, from the representative of the Vestry and the Officers and legal advisers of that body, whether they had any additional facts which they wished to be inserted in the case. A conference took place, all the parties mentioned were present, and after the representations of the Vestry had been heard, it was decided to take the opinion of the late Attorney-General (Sir R. Webster) and Mr. Meadows White, Q.C. The result has been that these eminent Counsel have advised that if the sum required for land and buildings, namely £21,000, was larger than necessary for so much as was required for the Vestry purposes, as distinguished from the purposes of the Guardians, it would be as well for the Board to re-consider the matter, and if necessary take steps to modify their decision. In deference, therefore, to this opinion, your Committee have re-considered the application of the Vestry. They have been attended by Mr. Webster, one of the representatives of the Vestry, and the Board's Officers have been attended by the Vestry Clerk and Architect, as to the amount which should be legitimately expended on the land and offices required for the Vestry purposes, and after a careful consideration of the matter and an examination of the Plan of the site and Drawings of the proposed Offices, your Committee have arrived at the conclusion, on the Report of your Superintending Architect, that the amount to be advanced for the purchase of the requisite land should be limited to £2,250, and for the buildings to £13,750, making a total of £16,000 instead of £21,000, and they therefore recommend—

That the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd October, 1885 (No. 15), sanctioning the raising by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, of the sum of £5,000 for the purchase of land, and £16,000 for the erection of Vestry Offices, and for the advance of that amount to the Vestry, be not further acted upon.

That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents, and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, be informed in reply to their application for permission to borrow a sum of £21,000 to defray the cost of purchasing land for Vestry Offices and for buildings, that this Board are willing to sanction the Loan for Vestry purposes only, to the extent of £16,000, and to make the advance on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st December in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, as to £2,250 for the purchase of land in 50 years, and as to £13,750 for the erection of Offices for the use of the Vestry in 30 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of St. Luke, for an advance of a sum of £1,700 for sewerage works, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 49). The Vestry propose to have laid down in Old-street 3,050 feet of 18-inch pipe Sewers, encased in Portland cement concrete, and to construct 16 man-holes to give access thereto, at an estimated cost of £1,700, which your Engineer considers fair and reasonable. The Plans for the works having been approved by the Board on the 12th instant (No. 20), your Committee recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents, and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. Luke for an advance of a sum of £1,700, to defray the cost of sewerage works in Old-street, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on

each 31st January within 30 years ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Islington, requesting a Loan of a sum of £30,000, to pay their share of the cost of purchasing Highbury-fields, referred by the Board on the 12th instant (No. 42). Under the Board's Various Powers Act, 1885, the Board were empowered to purchase Highbury-fields, at the price of £60,000, and the Vestry of Islington were required, from time to time, to contribute towards the Board's expenses in relation to the purchase, acquisition, and extinction of the interest and rights therein, a sum not exceeding one-half of such expenses. The Board, on the 21st December, last paid the entire cost of acquiring the fields, viz., £60,300, and, on the 29th ultimo, directed an application to be made to the Vestry for payment of £30,000 on account of such expenditure, and the Vestry propose to take up a Loan to pay the amount, so as to ease the rates by spreading the re-payment over a long period of years. This is provided for by the Act, the period of re-payment being limited to 60 years, but as the fund out of which the advance will be made will be required to be recouped by 1941, it is necessary that the time should be limited to 55 years. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents, and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Islington for a Loan of a sum of £30,000, to pay their contribution towards the acquisition of Highbury-fields, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon from the 21st December last, at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January within 55 years ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan ; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Managers of the Central London School District, for an advance of a sum of £7,700, referred by the Board on the 8th ultimo (No. 43). The Loan is required, as to £5,500, to defray the cost of purchasing about 25a. Or. 37p. of freehold land in Cuckoo-lane, Hanwell, adjoining the District School, and the £2,200 for the erection of certain buildings and offices and for alterations at the School. The Plans have been examined by your Superintending Architect, who considers the proposed expenditure reasonable, and as the Managers have received the necessary consent of the Local Government Board to borrow the money, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Managers of the Central London School District, for the advance of a sum of £7,700, for defraying the cost of purchasing additional land, and making alterations to their School near Hanwell, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, as to £7,500 within 30 years, and as to £200 within 15 years ; that the sum of £8 8s. be charged for Surveyor's Fees ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the Bye-law of the Board, they have had before them the several Bonds and other Securities given by your Accountant, and by other Officers of the Board, for the faithful performance of their official duties, and your Committee have ascertained that in the case of the Officers for whose fidelity the security of Guarantee Societies is given, the premiums on the Policies have been regularly paid. Your Committee have also had submitted to them the Bond given by Mr. J. Smith for duly accounting for the amount to be raised for payment of the Board's Precepts on the Inner Temple and Lincoln's-inn, and also the Bond given by Mr. Russell, the Rent Collector, for duly accounting for the Rents received on behalf of Board. Your Committee have also had before them a Report by your Solicitor as to the responsibility of the sureties under the several Bonds, and they find that the result of the enquiries which have been made is satisfactory.

Your Committee recommend—

That the Cheque, No. 595, drawn on the 16th November, 1885, on the Streets (Act of 1883) Account, in favour of Mrs. Calvert, for £25, be cancelled, having been drawn longer than three months.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
JOHN TOLHURST,
CHAS. MOSSOP,
P. W. FUNNELL.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
COHEN, S., AND Co.—(375)—											
6181	Capes, leggings, &c., for parks, &c., constables, quarter to 31st										
	December, 1885	...	...	...	...	...	18	19	-		
ARGENT, E.—(365)—											
6182	Hire of stalls during dairy and cattle shows, 1885	...	...				2	2	-		
STANFORD, E.—(525)—											
6183	Maps, October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...		27	3	6		
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(585)—											
6184	Coals for offices, Spring-gardens, January, 1886	...	...	...	...		23	18	-		
METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSIONERS, per Bank of England—(515)—											
6185	Services of constables at Northern Outfall sewer and Crossness										
	pumping-station, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...				83	11	1		
PREIL AND Co.—(586)—											
6186	Ironmongery, &c., for flushing stores, pumping-stations, &c.,										
	quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...		475	17	3		
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(589)—											
6187	Coals for Abbey-mills pumping-station, January, 1886	...	...				703	1	4		
CROSSLEY, BROTHERS, LIMITED—(578)—											
6188	Labour and materials for sewerage experiments at Crossness	...					2	18	9		
DOCWRA, T., AND SON—(579)—											
6189	Boring work at Shadwell, October, 1885, <i>re</i> Thames crossings	...					625	4	-		
GREENWOOD, J. AND J.—(460)—											
6190	Alterations and additions to water-closets and urinals at Finsbury-										
	park (Contract No. 759)	...	...	...	...		86	7	5		
MOWLEM, J., AND Co.—(463)—											
6191	Repairs, &c., at Embankment-gardens, Leicester-square and										
	Hampstead-heath, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...				7	16	-		
FREEBODY, M. G.—(459)—											
6192	Rickers' poles for tree supports, Victoria-embankment-gardens,										
	November, 1885	...	...	...	...		2	3	9		
LAPTHORNE AND Co.—(464)—											
6193	Repairs to keeper's hut, Wormwood-scrubs, November, 1885	...					5	7	6		
SCOTT, J. A.—(461)—											
6194	Furniture for keeper's hut, South Mill-fields, August, 1885	...					2	8	6		
GREEN, J.—(355)—											
6195	Oils, colours, &c., for parks and open spaces, quarter to 31st										
	December, 1885	...	...	...	...		17	-	7		
PATTENDEN AND HICKS—(360)—											
6196	Rope, canvas, &c., for parks and open spaces, quarter to 31st										
	December, 1885	...	...	...	...		21	8	11		
Carried forward						...	£2,105	7	7	...	

										£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Brought forward										2,105	7	7	...			
CHAMBERLAIN, J.—(351)—																
6197	Brooms, brushes, &c., for parks and open spaces, quarter to 31st December, 1885										19	13	3			
MESTON, J. F.—(342)—																
6198	Carting-work—															
	Finsbury-park new roads, 2nd October to 12th December, 1885										£6	15	—			
	Highbury-fields, December, 1885										1	16	—			
										8 11 —						
WRIGHT, C.—(462)—																
6199	Carting-work, Peckham-rye, October to December, 1885										18	10	—			
BUDD, H. W.—(270)—																
6200	Carting-work, Blackheath, June to November, 1885										32	10	—			
BRASS, W., AND SON—(575)—																
6201	Shoring, hoarding, &c., dangerous structures										448	15	2			
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(528)—																
Fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures—																
6202	Carritt, E.										£2	—	—			
6203	Fletcher, B.										3	2	6			
6204	Fowler, C.										6	15	—			
6205	Grose, V. J.										6	5	—			
6206	Hammon, H. J.										6	2	6			
6207	Hayward, C. F.										3	10	—			
6208	Hewitt, E. R.										3	7	6			
6209	Kerr, R.										3	7	6			
6210	Lansdown, G.										3	—	—			
6211	McDonell, G.										3	10	—			
6212	Notley, R. P.										5	10	—			
6213	Oliver, H.										3	10	—			
6214	Parsons, H.										5	—	—			
6215	Plumbe, R.										2	10	—			
6216	Porter, F. W.										37	8	9			
6217	Wallen, F.										2	7	6			
6218	Woodthorpe, E.										6	12	6			
										163 18 9						
CURREY, H.—(511)—																
6219	Surveyor's charges, March and May, 1885, <i>re</i> music-halls										31	10	—			
BRECKNELL, TURNER AND SONS—(87)—																
6220	Sperm candles for gas-testing, October to December, 1885										4	—	—			
MILLER, T. J., AND SONS—(262)—																
6221	Sperm candles for gas-testing, November and December, 1885										12	15	—			
HOW, J., AND Co.—(369)—																
6222	Apparatus for Chemical and Gas department, August to December, 1885										14	15	6			
GREEN, J. (356)—																
6223	Oils, colours, &c., for gas-meter testing-houses, quarter to 31st December, 1885										6	11	1			
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(371)—																
6224	Coal and coke for gas-meter testing-house, Spitalfields, December, 1885										5	13	3			
CRANE, W., Representatives of the late—(524)—																
6225	Balance of salary to 29th January, 1886, date of decease										5	1	1			
										2,817 11 8						
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.																
SHAND, MASON AND Co.—(520)—																
2554	Repairs to engines, quarter to 31st December, 1885										£197	15	10			
	Special repairs to engine, January, 1886										16	—	—			
										213 15 10						
BRAY, G.—(516)—																
2555	Repairs to moveable street-station, January, 1886										9	17	6			
										Carried forward						
										£223	13	4	2,817	11	8	

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	223	13	4	2,817	11	8
GLOVER BROTHERS—(518)—						
2556 Repairs to moveable street-station, November and December, 1885	34	18	6			
PFEIL AND Co.—(519)—						
2557 Ironmongery, tools, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885	343	6	8			
CHAMBERLAIN, J.—(517)—						
2558 Brushes, mats, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885	333	5	11			
COMMERCIAL GAS Co.—(366)—						
2559 Gas for sundry stations, quarter to Christmas, 1885	92	4	11			
SMITH BROTHERS—(348)—						
2560 Repairs at stations, January to March, 1885	36	15	7			
WOOD, F. AND F. J.—(349)—						
2561 Repairs at stations, July and November, 1885	4	14	2			
				1,068	19	1

BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.

BOARD OF WORKS FOR THE GREENWICH DISTRICT—(455)—						
99 One-year's contribution toward wages of attendant at Deptford-creek-bridge to Midsummer, 1885				50	-	

GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

JANSON, COBB, PEARSON AND Co.—(582)—						
6226 Charges in reference to lammas rights, Hackney-commons, November, 1885				2	17	-

FIRE BRIGADE CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

SHAND, MASON AND Co—(373)—						
2562 New steam fire-engine, December, 1885... ..	794	15	-			
STIMPSON AND Co—(521)—						
2563 Balance of amount of contract and extras for additional works in enlarging head-quarters (No. 627)	615	-	11	1,409	15	11

MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.

RIGBY, W.—(593)—						
1254 Further on account of contract for construction of relief-lines to the Holloway and Northern High Level sewers (No. 720)	3,190	-				
EASTONS AND ANDERSON—(592)—						
1255 Further on account of contract for providing additional pumping power at Crossness, Effra and Falcon pumping-stations, (No. 467)	1,000	-		4,190	-	

BRIDGES (ACT OF 1881).

WADDELL, J.—(594)—						
26 Further on account of contract for erection of bridge at Putney (No. 597)				3,250	-	

BRIDGES (ACT OF 1883).

AIRY, W.—(435)—						
8 Services and expenses in inspecting ironwork at Darlington, Stockton and Sheffield, <i>re</i> Hammersmith Bridge, January, 1886				9	6	6

DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

DRIVER, R. C.—(576)—						
5682 Arbitrator's charges and expenses, Trafalgar-road, Greenwich, scheme	261	1	-			
HUNTER-RODWELL, B. B., Q.C.—(577)—						
5683 Arbitrator's fees, <i>re</i> School Board for London (Goulston-street)	28	5	-	289	6	

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

RAPHAEL, G.—(509)—						
1541 Return of amount deposited with the Board in respect of fixtures at No 3, Oxford-street	50	-	-			
Carried forward	£50	-	-	13,087	16	2

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	50	-	-	13,087	16	2
DEVERILL, E.—(583)—						
1542 Return of amount in respect of deposit made with the Board on execution of tenancy agreement, No. 31, Greek-street, <i>re</i> McDavid	5	-	-	55	-	-

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND.

FIRE BRIGADE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND, per Captain Shaw—(514)—						
2564 Transfer of amount in respect of interest on accumulated surplus of <i>Firemen's Savings Fund</i> , as per order of Board, 5th February, 1886				30	5	10

SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.

PETT, W.—(522)—						
1892 Repairs to premises occupied by tenants of the Board or taken for improvements, November, 1885—						
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	2	-	7			
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	131	3	9			
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	8	16	7			
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	17	8	7			
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	71	2	4			
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	137	19	6			
				368	11	4

COOK, R. J., AND HAMMOND—(581)—

1893 Lithography, &c., January to December, 1885—						
<i>General Working Account</i>	34	14	6			
<i>General Capital Account</i>	19	19	6			
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	-	19	-			
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	2	6	6			
<i>Tooley Street Extension (Act of 1882)</i>	2	16	-			
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	1	10	-			
<i>Streets (Act of 1885)</i>	-	12	6			
<i>Appold Street</i>	2	18	-			
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	34	7	6			
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	86	10	6			
				186	14	-

CASSON, H.—(523)—

1894 Counsel's fees, July to December, 1885—						
<i>General Working Account</i>	5	10	-			
<i>General Capital Account</i>	1	6	-			
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	28	18	6			
<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	6	11	-			
<i>Highbury Fields</i>	25	13	-			
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	34	10	-			
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	53	10	6			
<i>Streets (Act of 1884)</i>	14	10	6			
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	75	15	6			
				246	5	-

POWNALL, F.—(512)—

1895 Counsel's fees, October to December, 1885—						
<i>General Working Account</i>	5	10	-			
<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	1	3	6			
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	2	4	6			
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	2	4	6			
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	3	10	6			
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	5	10	-			
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	7	14	6			
				27	17	6

TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(597 and 598)—

Repayment of advances—

1896	Weekly wages—Two weeks to 17th February, 1886—							
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£1,595	15	4	
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	5	16	6	
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	10	10	—	
	Carried forward...				£1,612	1	10	
					...	14,002	9	10

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14,002	9	10
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)	...	...	1,612	1	10						
<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	18	6	—					
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	102	1	6					
<i>Parks and Open Spaces...</i>	...	...	...	21	10	5					
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	6	6	—					
<i>Streets (Act of 1884)</i>	...	...	...	5	12	—					
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	2	8	—					
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	13	12	—					
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	92	15	3					
<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	23	5	6					
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	37	12	6					
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	45	16	—					
			—————				1,981	7	—		
Firemen's wages—Two weeks to 20th February, 1886—											
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	...	2,000	18	5			
Weekly pensions, to 13th February, 1886—											
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	..	...	...	...	23	19	2			
						—————			4,006	4	7
1897 Petty disbursements, 1st to 13th February, 1886—											
<i>a General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	94	7	5					
<i>b Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	£4	9	7							
<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	—	15	6							
			—————				5	5	1		
<i>c Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	—	19	2					
<i>d Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	1	8	6					
<i>e Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	3	2	6					
<i>f Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	1	13	1					
				106	15	9					
General Working Account—											
<i>g Costs re Rowe (Building Act case), Margravine-road, Fulham</i>	...	...	...	...	3	3	—				
Bridges (Maintenance) Account—											
<i>h Proportion of tenants' rents of Nos. 30 and 32, Bridge-road, Battersea, from Christmas 1885, to 21st January, 1886 (less tax)</i>	...	...	...	—	17	5					
<i>i Proportion of tenant's rent of No. 32, Bridge-road, Battersea, from Christmas 1885, to 18th January, 1886 (less tax)</i>	...	...	...	...	1	12	11				
Streets (Act of 1877)—											
<i>j Counsel's fee for settling statement of claim, re Austin (Charing-cross), February, 1886</i>	...	...	...	2	4	6					
<i>k Retainer to counsel, re Bygrave (Southwark-bridge road)</i>	...	...	...	...	1	3	6				
Streets (Act of 1883)—											
<i>l Rent (less ground-rent) of garden-ground at No. 182, South Lambeth-road, from Michaelmas, 1885, to 5th February, 1886 (less tax)</i>	...	...	...	1	15	5					
<i>m Copies of documents, re Charlwood (Bermondsey)</i>	...	...	...	—	4	—					
Hampstead Improvements—											
<i>n Costs of production of deeds, re Culverhouse</i>	...	...	...	1	19	4					
Consolidated Loans Fund—											
<i>o Proportion of rents (less ground-rent) of No. 302, Upper-street, Islington, and premises at rear, from Michaelmas, 1885, to 15th January, 1886 (less tax)</i>	...	...	...	...	2	2	9				
					—————	—————					
Carried forward	...	...	£121	18	7	...	...	18,008	14	5	

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18,008	14	5
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued) ...	121	18	7						
Compensations to tenants on removal—									
<i>p</i> Streets (Act of 1877) ...	£108	-	-						
Hampstead Improvements ...	2	-	-						
Dwelling House Improvement Fund ...	123	10	-						
				233	10	-			
Postages, 1st to 13th February, 1886—									
<i>q</i> General Working Account ...	36	-	-				291	8	7
Fire Brigade Working Account—									
<i>r</i> Expenses at fires and incidentals, January, 1886 ...				216	9	5			
Amounts to be paid through the Account—									
Bills, &c., for sums under £2—									
<i>s</i> General Working Account—									
Elliott Brothers — Repairs to									
indicators at Crossness ...	£-	12	-						
Gregory, W.—Magnifying lens...	-	9	6						
Waygood, R., and Co.—Repairs									
to lift at offices ...	-	7	1						
Mowlem, J., and Co.—Sawdust									
for office use ...	-	2	-						
Paxman, E. J., Sen.—Cartage for									
chemical department, &c. ...	-	4	6						
Williams, B. S.—Peat for Fins-									
bury-park ...	1	1	-						
Repairs to gardening tools—									
Samuel, J. ...	-	5	-						
Booker, J. ...	-	8	6						
District Surveyors — Fees, <i>re</i>									
dangerous structures ...	4	-	-						
				7	9	7			
<i>t</i> Fire Brigade Working Account—									
Maple and Co.—Bedding for men's									
quarters ...	1	8	6						
<i>u</i> Streets (Act of 1877)—									
Gas Light and Coke Co.—Altering public									
lamps, Old Broad-street and High-street,									
St. Giles' ...	-	10	-						
<i>v</i> Consolidated Loans Fund—									
Burnell, B.—Fee to clerk of magistrate on									
preparing notices for provisional order <i>re</i>									
“Falcon” public-house, Bethnal-green ...	1	11	6						
Rates and taxes on premises occupied or taken by the									
Board—									
<i>w</i> General Working Account ...	584	15	2						
<i>x</i> Fire Brigade Working Account ...	1,012	2	5						
<i>y</i> Streets (Act of 1872) ...	1	13	4						
<i>z</i> Streets (Act of 1883) ...	£-	13	9						
Dwelling House Improvement Fund ...	5	15	-						
Consolidated Loans Fund ...	75	10	8						
				81	19	5			
							1,691	9	11
							2,299	7	11
							£20,308	2	4

Examined,
(signed)

T. G. FARDELL,
HENRY HARBEN,
JOHN TOLHURST,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
P. W. FUNNELL,
CHAS. HARRIS,
E. DRESSER ROGERS.

Certified,
(signed)

A. GUNN,
Accountant.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £20,308 2s. 4d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Fees specified in the Three summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to C inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Carritt, E. ...	2	2 - -	...	...	2 - -
2	Fletcher, B. ...	4	3 2 6	...	...	3 2 6
3	Fowler, C. ...	6	6 5 -	1	- 10 -	6 15 -
4	Grose, V. J. ...	4	6 5 -	...	...	6 5 -
5	Hammon, H. J. ...	3	5 2 6	1	1 - -	6 2 6
6	Hayward, C. F. ...	3	3 2 6	1	- 7 6	3 10 -
7	Hewitt, E. R. ...	2	2 5 -	3	1 2 6	3 7 6
8	Jarvis, H. ...	1	1 5 -	...	...	1 5 -
9	Kerr, R. ...	1	3 7 6	...	...	3 7 6
10	Lansdown, G. ...	2	3 - -	...	...	3 - -
11	Legg, H. S. ...	2	1 7 6	...	...	1 7 6
12	McDonell, G. ...	4	3 10 -	...	...	3 10 -
13	Notley, R. P. ...	3	5 10 -	...	...	5 10 -
14	Oliver, H. ...	3	3 - -	1	- 10 -	3 10 -
15	Parsons, H. ...	4	5 - -	...	...	5 - -
16	Payne, A. ...	1	1 7 6	...	...	1 7 6
17	Plumbe, R. ...	3	2 2 6	1	- 7 6	2 10 -
18	Porter, F. W. ...	19	27 1 3	1	- 7 6	37 8 9
19	Wallen, F. ...	2	2 - -	1	- 7 6	2 7 6
20	Woodthorpe, E. ...	11	6 12 6	...	...	6 12 6
		80	103 6 3	10	4 12 6	107 18 9

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the under-mentioned expenses, incident to shoring and hoarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
33,025	20, Featherstone-street, St. Luke ...	10 16 8
33,633	Workshop, Austin-street, Bethnal-green ...	- 9 4
33,634	25, Virginia-road, Bethnal-green ...	24 12 1
33,750	Brodie's Warehouse, Foresters' Hall-place, Clerkenwell-road ...	6 5 1
33,786	5, Clerkenwell-road ...	26 19 9
33,787	7, do. ...	48 2 11
33,791	12, Charterhouse-buildings ...	54 11 -
33,792	13, do. ...	29 9 8
33,793	14, do. ...	23 12 6
33,794	15, do. ...	28 4 -
33,795	16, do. ...	81 11 2
33,796	17, do. ...	5 16 -
33,797	18, do. ...	7 9 7
33,798	19, do. ...	29 12 6
33,799	20, do. ...	41 4 6
33,800	21, do. ...	25 11 1
33,801	22, do. ...	3 14 4
33,968	8, Richmond-road, Paddington ...	- 13 -
		£ 448 15 2

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £395 in favour of the Vestry of St. Pancras, being the amount to which the contribution was limited by the Board on the 18th December, 1885, in respect of the Improvement effected at Woodsome-road.

A Cheque for the sum of £395 was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £468, in favour of the Vestry of St. Pancras, being the amount of the Board's promised contribution towards the Improvement at Princess-terrace.

A Cheque for the sum of £468 was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd October, 1885 (No. 15), sanctioning the raising by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, of the sum of £5,000 for the purchase of land, and £16,000 for the erection of Vestry Offices, and for the advance of that amount to the Vestry, be not further acted upon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, be informed in reply to their application for permission to borrow a sum of £21,000 to defray the cost of purchasing land for Vestry Offices and for buildings, that this Board are willing to sanction the Loan for Vestry purposes only to the extent of £16,000, and to make the advance on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st December, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, as to £2,250 for the purchase of land within a period of Fifty years, and as to £13,750 for the erection of Offices for the use of the Vestry within a period of Thirty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents, and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. Luke for an advance of a sum of £1,700, to defray the cost of sewerage works in Old-street, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January within a period of Thirty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents, and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Islington for a Loan of a sum of £30,000, to pay their contribution towards the acquisition of Highbury-fields, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon from the 21st December last at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January within a period of Fifty-five years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Managers of the Central London School District, for the advance of a sum of £7,700, for defraying the cost of purchasing additional land, and making alterations to their School near Hanwell, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, as to £7,500 within a period of Thirty years, and as to £200 within a period of Fifteen years; that the sum of £8 8s. be charged for Surveyor's Fees; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That so much of the Report as relates to the result of the examination of the Bonds and Securities given to the Board be approved.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Cheque No. 595, drawn on the 16th November, 1885, on the Streets (Act of 1883) Account, in favour of Mrs. Calvert, for £25, be now cancelled, having been drawn longer than Three months.

The said Cheque was thereupon cancelled accordingly.

8. The Board proceeded to further consider the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee, recommending that the consent of the Board be not given to the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme, the Promoters of which have applied to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order, the consideration of which was adjourned on the 12th instant.

The Clerk laid before the Board the Letter from Mr. D. Morris, Clerk to the Vestry of Tooting, dated 16th February, 1886, forwarding a copy Resolution of the Vestry, approving of the proposed Tramway from Clapham to Merton, and expressing a hope that the Board would sanction the scheme, the consideration of which was deferred on Friday last (No. 31) until the Report of the Committee, with respect to the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme, should be further considered.

The Clerk also laid before the Board a Letter from Mr. J. E. Lambert, transmitting a Petition from frontagers in support of the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme, and also a Petition of inhabitants of the District through which the proposed line would pass, in support of the Scheme, and asking for the Board's sanction thereto.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the consent of the Board be not given to the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme, the Promoters of which have applied to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order.

Mr. Cameron, having by leave of the Board modified the amendment of which he had given notice, ~~moved~~—That the consent of the Board be given to the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme, the Promoters of which have applied to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order, on the conditions usually imposed by the Board.

The amendment having been seconded by Mr. Meaden, it was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried.

The amendment was then put as an original motion,

Whereupon an amendment was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That the Board do consent to a Provisional Order being made by the Board of Trade authorising the construction of the Tramways specified in the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme, on condition that none of the proposed Tramways within the Metropolitan area shall be laid until the roads in which they are to be laid shall have been widened, at the expense of the Promoters, to not less than 47 feet, to the satisfaction of the Board and the Wandsworth District Board, and that such further amendments be made in the terms of the Order as will give effect to the usual requirements of the Board.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an original motion, it was also carried, and it was resolved accordingly.

9. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 22nd February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re</i> Hanson and Bowden (Putney)—(530 and 531)—									
Deacon, Son and Gibson—									
21	Taxed Costs of inquiry before Jury	...	...	473	17	11			
Few and Co.—									
22	Costs of inquiries as to works executed by Chelsea Water Works Co.	...	...	3	12	8			
<i>Re</i> Vicar of Fulham (Putney)—(532)—									
Costs of application for payment out of part of Fund in Court, and of Investment of remainder—									
23	Jennings, White and Miller	...	£26	1	1				
24	Lee, Bolton and Co.	...	4	11	10				
							30	12	11
<i>Re</i> Morgan (Battersea)—(533)—									
Robinson, G. T.—									
25	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	17	12	2			
								525	15 8
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>									
<i>Re</i> Morss (Deptford-bridge Approaches)—(534)—									
Marchant and Benwell—									
8653	Costs of application for payment of Investment out of Court	...	...	9	12	-			
<i>Re</i> Kempster (Southwark-bridge-road)—(535)—									
Kempster, J. G.—									
8654	Costs of apportionment of Rent of Nos. 70, 72 and 74, Red-cross-street	...	...	2	16	8			
<i>Re</i> Kempster (Southwark-bridge-road)—(536)—									
Kempster, J. G.—									
8655	Costs of Title, &c.	...	£9	19	8				
	Costs of apportionment of Rent of No. 11, Queen-street	...	6	9	8				
							16	9	4
<i>Re</i> Nixey (Charing-cross)—(537)—									
Lindsay, Mason, Greenfield and Mason—									
8656	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	18	3	2			
<i>Re</i> Evans (Southwark-bridge-road)—(538)—									
Simpson, Palmer and Winder—									
8657	Interest on Purchase-money from 30th November, 1885, to 17th February, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	19	1	10			
	Carried forward	...	...	£66	3	-		525	15 8

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	66	3	—	525	15	8
<i>Re Willis</i> (Southwark-bridge-road)—(539)—								
	Coxwell, J. E.—							
8658	Taxed Costs of Arbitration	...	167	8	—			
<i>Re Reynolds</i> (Charing-cross)—(540)—								
	Reynolds, Jno.—							
8659	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy in stable and coachhouse in Crown-place, Soho		60	—	—			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
8660	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	3	3	—			
<i>Re Fanning</i> (Charing-cross)—(541)—								
	Fanning, Michael—							
8661	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy in a house at end of Crown-place, Soho	...	75	—	—			
	Arber and Co.—							
8662	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	4	4	—			
<i>Re Shadford</i> (Charing-cross)—(542)—								
	Shadford, James—							
8663	Compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 13, Cecil-court	...	20	—	—			
<i>Re Watson</i> (Charing-cross)—(543)—								
	Watson, James—							
8664	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy in part of No. 4, New Compton-street, Soho...		100	—	—			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
8665	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	5	5	—			
<i>Re Wilson</i> (Charing-cross)—(544 and 545)—								
	Wilson, J. R.—							
8666	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy in No. 61, Crown-street, Soho	...	275	—	—			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
8667	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	9	9	—			
	George, A. A.—							
8668	Assistance on Trade claim	...	10	10	—			
<i>Re Dray</i> (Charing-cross)—(546 and 547)—								
	Assistance on Trade claim—							
8669	Bourn, H....	...	52	10	—			
8670	Scamell, G.	...	15	15	—			
						864	7	—
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re Hewitt</i> (Walworth-road)—(548 and 549)—								
	Attenborough, J. and C.—							
814	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	16	6	10			
	Hewitt, James—							
815	Proportion of tenant's Rent of No. 82, Walworth- road, from Christmas, 1885, to 16th February, 1886 (less Tax)	...	13	5	10			
<i>Re Jones and Son</i> (Bermondsey)—(550)—								
	Fairfoot, Webb and Rooke—							
816	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	18	6	2			
	Carried forward	...	£17	18	10	1,390	2	8

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	47	18	10	1,390	2	8
<i>Re Noton (Upper-street, Islington)—(551)—</i>								
Noton, Thos.—								
817	One-quarter's Rent in respect of Nos. 157 and 158, and stabling, &c., at rear, Upper-street, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	...	55	11	8			
<i>Re Carrington (Bermondsey)—(552)—</i>								
Carrington, Julius Isaiah Jno.—								
818	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 10 and 11, Bermondsey-new-road	...	£250	-	-			
819	Trade compensation	...	600	-	-	850	-	-
Baines, C., and Ball—								
820	Surveyors' Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	22	1	-			
<i>Re Edwards (Bermondsey)—(553)—</i>								
Edwards, Owen—								
821	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 9, Bermondsey-new-road	...	£250	-	-			
822	Trade compensation	...	420	-	-	670	-	-
Baines, C., and Ball—								
823	Surveyors' Fee	...	18	9	-			
<i>Re Kent (South Lambeth)—(554)—</i>								
Kent, Alfred—								
824	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 180, South Lambeth-road	...	£550	-	-			
825	Trade compensation	...	1,950	-	-	2,500	-	-
Reid, R.—								
826	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract...		33	5	-			
<i>Re Simmonds (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(555 and 556)—</i>								
Assistance on Trade claim—								
827	Stoneley, F. G.	...	10	10	-			
828	Lloyd, H.	...	7	7	-	4,215	2	6
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re Stone—(557)—</i>								
Field, Roscoe and Co.—								
295	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	23	1	4			
<i>Re Arrowsmith—(558)—</i>								
Burton, Yeates, Hart and Burton—								
296	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	15	5	10			
<i>Re Potter—(559)—</i>								
Potter, John—								
297	Purchase-money for leasehold interest in No. 51, High-street	...	915	-	-	953	7	2
Carried forward								
		...				£6,558	12	4

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	6,558	12	4

*Dwelling House Improvement Fund.**Re* Hamsheir (Tench-street)—(560)—

Hamsheir, Mrs. Emma—

5668 Purchase-money for Fee-simple in Nos. 7, 9, 11
and 13, Lower Gun-alley ... 340 - -

Field, A. and A.—

5669 Surveyors' Fee ... 11 11 -

Re Willan (Tench-street)—(561)—

Haigh and Agar—

5670 Costs of Title and Conveyance ... 20 16 2

Re Moody (Trafalgar-road)—(562)—

Bristow, W.—

5671 Costs of Title and Conveyance ... 2 2 -

Re Bellaers (Tench-street)—(563)—

Hewitt, A. T.—

5672 Costs of Title and Conveyance ... 6 13 -

Re Harrison (Tench-street)—(564 and 565)—

Thomson, Son and Brooks—

5673 Costs of production of Documents ... 2 2 -

Stones, Morris and Stone—

5674 Costs of Title and Conveyance ... 11 4 6

Re London Joint Stock Bank, Limited (Tench-street)—
(566)—

Clarke, Rawlings and Co.—

5675 Costs of Title and Conveyance ... 17 9 8

Re Clements' Trustees (Trafalgar-road)—(567)—

Bristow, W.—

5676 Proportion of Rent of Nos. 13 and 14, Lower
East-street, Greenwich, from Michaelmas,
1885, to 10th February, 1886 (less Tax) ... 7 18 1

Re School Board for London (Goulston-street)—(568)—

School Board for London—

5677 Purchase-money for right-of-way along Goulston-
street... 100 - -

Re Winn (Tench-street)—(569)—

Winn, Jno. Medway—

5678 Purchase-money for Fee-simple in portions of
Nos. 2, 4 and 8, Anchor-and-Hope-alley,
and compensation for yearly tenancy in
No. 19, Green-bank ... 400 - -

Re Bourne (Trafalgar-road)—(570)—

Bank of England, for Chancery—

5679 Purchase-money for Freehold of Nos. 18, 30 and
32, Old Woolwich-road, and Nos. 1 and 2
and sheds in Union-place ... 1,980 - -

Carried forward	...	...	£2,899	16	5	6,558	12	4
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		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	2,899	16	5	6,558 12 4
<i>Re Holt and Co. (Brook-street)—(587 and 588)—</i>							
Ratcliff, T. W., and Son—							
5680	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	...	16	-	-	
5681	Rent (less Tax) of Nos. 1 to 10, Vine-court and Nos. 11, 12 and 13, Bere-passage, to 26th February, 1886	...	...	49	3	7	
							2,965 - -
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>							
<i>Re Evans (Upper-street, Islington)—(571)—</i>							
Eagleton and Sons—							
1538	Proportion of Rents of Nos. 310 to 312, Upper- street, and Nos. 4 and 6, Church-gardens, from Midsummer to 17th July, 1885 (less Tax) ...	...	...	14	11	8	
<i>Re Hilton (Tooley-street)—(572)—</i>							
Hilton, R. D.—							
1539	In discharge of compensation claimed in respect of building land sold by the Board, as per Order of Committee ...	...	...	20	-	-	
<i>Stimson, E.—(573)—</i>							
1540	Auctioneer's charges in respect of sale of property in Artichoke-row, &c., Camberwell, Decem- ber, 1885, and January, 1886, including Advertisements, &c. ...	...	...	59	1	6	
							93 13 2
							<u>£9,617 5 6</u>

Your Committee beg to recommend—

That a Cheque, as follows, be drawn—

General Capital Account.

Re Powell and Marriott (Hackney Commons)—(574)—
Hare and Co.—

6180	Taxed costs of Attorney-General in action	...	...	...	£31 6 5
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In compliance with the reference by the Board of Friday last (No. 1), your Committee have considered further the Cricklewood, Kilburn, and Harrow-road Tramways Bill, and they have now to submit the following recommendation—

That upon the promoters of the Cricklewood, Kilburn, and Harrow-road Tramways Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form a Tramway from Cricklewood to the boundary of the Parish of Paddington at Cambridge-road, and to agree to the insertion of Clauses providing that the Tramway in Harrow-road shall not be carried further South than the Lock Bridge, and that none of the rails of the Tramways shall be at a less distance than 9 feet 6 inches from the kerb of the foot-way, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

Your Committee, in pursuance of the reference by the Board of the 12th instant (No. 17), have considered the subject of the Regulations made by the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, and reported on that day for the information of the Board, with respect to the number and payment of the persons who shall be employed on the labouring staff in and upon the Board's Parks and Gardens and Open Spaces. The Parks Committee, in submitting these Regulations, which are set out on the Minutes of the Board, refer to arrangements which they have from time to time made, under certain Resolutions of

the Board, for the mowing of the grass in the Parks and the employment of labourers in connection with the trees and the maintenance of the Open Spaces, and state that those arrangements are perhaps somewhat more extensive than the Resolutions referred to may be thought to cover. Your Committee, after carefully considering this subject, concur in the view of the Parks Committee as to the desirability of these Regulations, and they recommend—

That the same be approved by the Board.

Your Committee desire to state for the information of the Board, with reference to the Memorial of the Greenwich District Board, urging the desirability of at once proceeding with the construction of a lake on Blackheath, with a view to providing work for the unemployed, that the Memorialists not being prepared with the information in connection with the proposal which they desire to be placed before the Committee, the consideration of the Memorial has been adjourned at the request of the representatives of the District until Monday next

Your Solicitor has reported to your Committee, with reference to a claim by Mrs. Lane, amounting to £50, for damage done to a field by the construction of the Lee and Eltham Sewer, that the claimant has agreed to accept £28 3s. in settlement. Your Committee recommend—

That this amount be paid, and that a Cheque be drawn accordingly.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the Vestry of St. Pancras, referred by the Board on the 29th ultimo (No. 33), referring to the reduction of the Board's promised contribution towards the Woodsome-road Improvement from £500 to £395, and asking how the figures £780 9s. 2d., stated by the Board's Officers to be the net cost, were arrived at; also asking that, in consideration of the circumstances mentioned in the Letter, the Board would make the full contribution of £500 originally promised. Your Committee, having given due consideration to this matter, are not prepared to advise the Board to increase the amount of contribution stated in their Resolution of the 18th December last—namely, £395—and they recommend—

That the Vestry be informed to that effect, and that a statement showing the net cost be sent to them in compliance with their request.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board of Works, referred on the 19th instant, expressing their regret that the Board are not prepared to widen the Western approach to new Putney Bridge to the full width of 50 feet, opposite the mouth of the draw-dock, pointing out that unless the road is widened at that point, the traffic will be congested, and an additional danger will be caused by the footpath being on one side only, and asking that the matter may be re-considered. Your Committee, having given due attention to this application, are not prepared to advise the Board to depart from their previous decision, and they recommend—

That a reply be addressed to the District Board accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN TOLHURST,
P. W. FUNNELL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
JOHN RUNTZ,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
W^M. SHEPHERD.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque, as follows, be now drawn—

General Capital Account.

Re Powell and Marriott (Hackney Commons)—(574)—

Hare and Co.—

6180	Taxed costs of Attorney-General in action	...	...	<u>£31</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>
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A Cheque was thereupon drawn accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That upon the promoters of the Cricklewood, Kilburn, and Harrow-road Tramways Bill giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form a Tramway from Cricklewood to the boundary of the Parish of Paddington at Cambridge-road, and to agree to the insertion of Clauses providing that the Tramway in Harrow-road shall not be carried further South than the Lock Bridge, and that none of the rails of the Tramways shall be at a less distance than 9 feet 6 inches from the kerb of the foot-way, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the general Regulations reported to the Board by the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee on the 12th instant, with respect to the number and payment of the persons who shall be employed on the labouring staff in and upon the Board's Parks and Gardens and Open Spaces, be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sum of £28 3s. be paid by the Board in settlement of the claim of Mrs. Lane, for damage done to a field by the construction of the Lee and Eltham Sewer; and that a Cheque be now drawn for the amount.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of St. Pancras be informed, in reply to their further Letter on the subject of the Woodsome-road Improvement, that the Board are unable to depart from their decision limiting their contribution to £395, and that a statement showing the net cost be sent to the Vestry in compliance with their request.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the Wandsworth District Board be informed, in reply to their further Letter on the subject of the Western approach to new Putney Bridge, that the Board are unable to depart from their previous view that at present it is undesirable to make any alteration in the width of the approaches to the Bridge.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Cameron, and seconded by Mr. Meaden—That the consideration of the subject be adjourned in order that a Deputation may be received from the District Board.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 6, against it 15, and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote and declared by the Chairman to be carried, and it was *resolved* accordingly.

10. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 16th February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications

for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.
26th February, 1885.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-naming Prospect-place and Cottages, Highgate-road, "Greenwood-place, N.W.," and re-numbering the houses therein.
13th August, 1885.	Vestry of Islington, for re-numbering the houses in Highgate-hill (from Junction-road to St. Joseph's-schools), St. John's-villas, Holloway-road, and Tavistock-terrace, Holloway-road.
4th December, 1885.	Inhabitants of the neighbourhood, that Heathfield-gardens, Cannon Hall-road and Cannon-place, Hampstead, may be incorporated as Cannon-place and the houses re-numbered.
18th December, 1885.	Mr. R. W. Monro, Hon. Sec. Central London Dwellings Improvement Company, that Cross-lane, St. Giles, may be re-named "Newton-street," in continuation of Newton-street, Holborn."

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the houses in Alpha-road, New-cross, be re-numbered.

That the houses in England's-lane and Chalcot-gardens, Hampstead, be re-numbered.

That Pilgrim-street, Kennington, be re-named "Montford-place," in continuation of the existing street of that name, and the houses numbered accordingly.

That Park-walk and Stockwell-park-walk, Lambeth, be incorporated under the latter name, and the houses re-numbered.

That Prospect-place and Prospect-cottages, Highgate-road, be re-named "Greenwood-place, N.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in Highgate-hill be abolished, and the houses re-numbered from Junction-road to St. Joseph's Schools.

That the houses in St. John's-villas, Holloway-road, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Tavistock-terrace, Holloway-road, be re-numbered where necessary.

That Heathfield-gardens, Cannon-hall-road, and Cannon place, Hampstead, be incorporated under the name "Cannon-place, N.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Cross-lane, St. Giles, be re-numbered in continuation of those in Newton-street, Holborn, and the name "Cross-lane" abolished.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

A. EWIN,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W^M. SHEPHERD.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Alpha-road, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,644 in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 23, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 18, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the name Sussex-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in

Alpha-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished ; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called " Alpha-road, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of England's-lane, Chalcot-gardens, and Elizabeth-terrace, in the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,645, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan ; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 55, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 50, to those on the Northern side ; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end ; that the names, Chalcot-gardens and Elizabeth-terrace, and the existing numbers, be abolished ; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called " England's-lane, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Hampstead, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Pilgrim-street, in the Parish of Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,646, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan ; the odd numbers, commencing with 29 and ending with 49, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 20 and ending with 56, to those on the Eastern side ; that the names Pilgrim-street and Elizabeth-terrace, and the existing numbers, be abolished ; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called " Montford-place, S.E.," in continuation of the existing street of that name ; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Stockwell-park-walk, in the Parish of Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 15, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,647, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan ; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end ; that the names York-villas and Park-walk, and the existing numbers, be abolished ; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called " Stockwell-park-walk, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuan

to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Prospect-place, Highgate-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 29, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,648; in lieu of the existing numbers as shown on the said Plan: that the names Prospect-place and Prospect-cottages, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole be called "Greenwood-place, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises between Junction-road and St. Joseph's Schools, in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Highgate-hill, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,649, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 99, being assigned to the houses on the South-Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 120, to those on the North-Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Junction-road; that the names Sutton-place, Whittington-place, Whittington-terrace, Upper Whittington-place, Archway-place, Bedford-cottages, Bedford-place, Blenheim-place, Clifton-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Highgate-hill, between the points indicated, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Highgate-hill, N.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of St. John's-villas, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,650, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 67, being assigned to the houses on the North-Western side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 66, to those on the South-Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Holloway-road; that the name Lawn-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in St. John's-villas, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "St. John's-villas, N.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, certain houses and premises in the line of

thoroughfare known by the name of Tavistock-terrace, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,651, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 25 and ending with 59, being assigned to the houses on the North-Western side, and the even numbers commencing with 24 and ending with 50 to those on the South-Eastern side; that certain of the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Tavistock-terrace, N.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Cannon Hall-road and Cannon-place, in the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,652, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 25, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 12, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Cannon Hall-road and Heathfield-gardens, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Cannon-place, N.W." and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Hampstead, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of February, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Cross-lane, in the Parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,653, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 21 and ending with 31, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 10 and ending with 12, to those on the Western side; that the name Cross-lane and the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Newton-street, W.C.," in continuation of the existing street of that name, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the St. Giles District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

11. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 26th February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have further considered the question of the steps it is desirable to take with respect to Humphreys' Hall, at Albert-gate, Knightsbridge. The Board on Friday last approved of a Drawing for the construction of a new stone staircase, 4 feet 6 inches wide, leading directly from the restaurant in the basement of Humphreys' Mansion into High-road, Knightsbridge, and resolved to issue their Certificate upon the satisfactory completion of such staircase in accordance with

the Drawing. Your Committee have now to report that the staircase has been completed in a satisfactory manner, and has a roof constructed of York stone landings on iron bearers. The wall in Phoenix-place near the South-Western exit of the Hall has been removed in accordance with the requirement of the Board, and the concrete floor of the additional exit into High-road, Knightsbridge, is nearly completed. Your Committee are of opinion that the Certificate of the Board under the Act of 1878 may now be issued to the Owner of the Hall, and having regard to the Resolutions of the Board and to the works which have been executed, your Committee are further of opinion that the following conditions should be attached to such Certificate—

1.—That the openings on the East side of the Eastern entrance corridor out of High-road, Knightsbridge, be stopped up with brickwork the full thickness of the wall in which such openings are situated, immediately upon the expiration of the present lease of the shop adjoining No. 21, High-road, Knightsbridge.

2.—That there shall be no bars for the sale of intoxicating liquors in that portion of the premises which was formerly the “Sun” Music-hall.

Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the Certificate prepared by the Solicitor be sealed, and be issued to the Owner.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
A. DE TATTON EGERTON,
W^m. SHEPHERD,
G. P. MEADEN.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Certificate, prepared by the Solicitor, with reference to Humphreys’ Hall, at Albert-gate, Knightsbridge, be sealed, and be issued to the Owner of the Hall.

The Clerk laid before the Board the Certificate in duplicate.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Certificate in duplicate, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

12. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 23rd February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that proceedings have been taken against James Murrell, St. George’s Market, for breach of the Board’s Slaughterhouse Bye-laws, and that he was fined 20s. and 2s. costs.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mrs. M. Muncey, for renewal of registration under the Infant Life Protection Act. The conditions under which the Infants in the applicant’s care are kept continue satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That the application from Mrs. M. Muncey, for registration for the keeping of Infants at No. 31, Kilmaine-road, Salisbury Estate, Fuiham, be granted, and that the Board do make a Bye-law fixing 3 as the number of Infants allowed to be kept at such premises.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mr. Joseph Kendall, for the renewal of his Petroleum License, and, as they find that the arrangements in connection with the storage are no longer satisfactory, they recommend—

That the application from Mr. Joseph Kendall, for renewal of License to keep 10 gallons of Petroleum at No. 87, Marchmont-street, St. Pancras, be not granted.

Your Committee have also had under consideration an application from Messrs. Lewis

Berger and Sons (Limited) for the renewal of their Petroleum License. As the conditions of storage continue satisfactory, your Committee recommend—

That a License be granted to Messrs. Lewis Berger and Sons (Limited), for a period of 12 months from the 26th inst., for the keeping of 10,000 gallons of Petroleum at their premises in Water-lane, Homerton, in accordance with the terms of the draft License submitted.

Your Committee also submit a list of 70 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and recommend—

That in 54 cases Licenses be granted to keep a quantity not exceeding 10 gallons of Petroleum in each case at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91; that in 6 cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in a store situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90, and that in 10 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in the manner described in such Licenses.

Your Committee have further to report that proceedings have been taken against Messrs. Cannon and Co., of Davies-street, Berkeley-square, for an unlicensed storage of Petroleum, and that they were fined £10 and 2s. costs. The magistrate granted an application from the Defendants' Solicitor for the statement of a special case, on the point that the Defendants are not dealers in Petroleum within the meaning of the Act and do not therefore require a License.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
FRED^K. INGOLDBY,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and resolved—That Mrs. M. Muncey be registered under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 31, Kilmaine-road, Salisbury Estate, Fulham, and that the Board do hereby make a By-law fixing three as the number of Infants allowed to be kept at such premises.

It was moved by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Mr. Joseph Kendall, for renewal of his License to keep 10 gallons of Petroleum at No. 87, Marchmont-street, St. Pancras, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and resolved—That a License be granted to Messrs. Lewis, Berger and Sons (Limited), for a period of 12 months from this date, for the keeping of 10,000 gallons of Petroleum at their premises in Water-lane, Homerton, in accordance with the terms of the draft License now submitted.

It was moved by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and resolved—That Licenses be granted to the Seventy persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

13. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, Executive Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1878, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 23rd February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Cattle Inspectors'

Accounts for the quarter ended 31st December, 1885, amounting to £272 10s. 11d., and that they have passed the same for payment.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

ALFRED POCOCK,
FRED^K. INGOLDBY,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be received.

14. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 24th February, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that it is desirable that some provision should be made for the horse hire required in Southwark-park and on the Open Spaces South of the Thames. They find that at Finsbury-park a horse, cart, and man are supplied by contract at the rate of 9s. per day, and that, being required throughout the year, the Board thus always have the services of the same man and horse. Your Committee are of opinion that this would be the more economical plan to adopt with regard to Southwark-park, the account for horse hire in which during 1885 was £153, as against £140 which was paid for Finsbury-park. They have therefore to report the arrangement in force at the last-named place, and to recommend—

That a similar arrangement be adopted at Southwark-park.

For some considerable time past soil has been deposited on Hackney-downs, with a view of raising the surface thereof, the material being supplied to the Board gratuitously by various builders in the neighbourhood, who are glad to obtain a shoot for their soil, and the Board providing labourers to spread and regulate the same. Since the 1st January, 1886, the sum of £84 0s. 6d. has been expended for this purpose, and it is estimated that the labourers will be required until the end of April next. This will involve a further outlay of £80 6s. 6d., and your Committee recommend—

That the Board do charge to Capital Account the money spent for the above-named purpose since the 1st January last, and do also authorise a further expenditure on Capital Account of £80 6s. 6d. for the completion of the work.

Your Committee have to report that two cases of misconduct have been proved against George Lewis and Robert Page, Assistant Common Keepers in the service of the Board at Highbury-fields and Hampstead-heath respectively. Your Committee recommend—

That the men be dismissed, and that it be referred to the Committee to take all necessary steps for recommending to the Board suitable persons for appointment in their place.

Your Committee have had an application made to them by Mrs. Hester Cuthbert, of No. 7, Blackheath-vale, Blackheath, for the renewal of her License to dry clothes on Blackheath for another year from the 4th instant. Mrs. Cuthbert is one of the laundresses who used Blackheath as a drying-ground when the Board took charge of it in 1871, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That her request be complied with.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the desirability of forming a short length of path on Tooting-beck-common to connect the paths now leading from Thrale-road to Bedford-hill, and of substituting some white posts for the iron hurdles now on the Common near such path. The cost of this work is estimated at only £14, and your Committee consider that it might be carried out with advantage to the public, and they therefore recommend accordingly.

Under the authority conferred on them by the Board on the 13th June, 1873 (No. 13), your Committee have authorised the purchase of a seat casting, oil, pipes, shrubs, and other articles for use in Finsbury-park, wood for the Victoria Embankment-gardens, and turf and tar paving material for Southwark-park, together with trees for Tooting-common, and have ordered that some repairs be done to the watch-boxes on Brook-green and Wormwood-scrubs, and that field-glasses be obtained for the Keepers at Streatham Upper-common, Clapham-common, and Hackney-downs. Your Committee have also authorised the employment of a horse for chain harrowing and rolling the horse-rides at Streatham and Clapham-commons, and the surface of Peckham-rye, and also the employment of a Clerk of Works to superintend the works about to be carried out on Highbury-fields.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. E. BRADFIELD,
GEO. EDWARDS,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W^M. SHEPHERD.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Committee be empowered to engage a horse, cart, and man at the rate of 9s. per day throughout the year for use in Southwark-park and on Open Spaces South of the Thames.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do charge to Capital Account the amount expended since the 1st January, 1886, for the wages of the labourers engaged in the special work of raising the surface of Hackney-downs, and do authorise a further expenditure of £80 6s. 6d. for labour for completing the work.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That George Lewis and Robert Page, Assistant Common Keepers in the service of the Board, be discharged for misconduct; and that it be referred to the Committee to take all necessary steps for recommending to the Board suitable persons for appointment in the place of the two men named.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That a License for one year from the 4th instant be granted to Hester Cuthbert, of No. 7, Blackheath-vale, Blackheath, to dry clothes on Blackheath, subject to revocation of the License at any time, at the pleasure of the Board.

The Clerk laid before the Board the License prepared in accordance with the foregoing Resolution.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That a short length of path be formed on Tooting-beck-common to connect two existing paths, and that some white posts be substituted for hurdles now thereon at an estimated cost of £14.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in their Report, be approved.

15. Read a Report, as follows—

Accountant's Department,
Spring-gardens, S.W.,
26th February, 1886.

On the 30th of October, 1885, the Board expressed its concurrence in the opinion of the Works and General Purposes Committee, that it was unnecessary to employ a second Collector of Weekly Rents. The single Collector, Mr. W. Russell, had been engaged until the end of 1885.

I beg leave to recommend that the present arrangement continue, as the rental is decreasing, and that Mr. Russell be the only Collector until the end of 1886.

I consulted the Finance Committee before writing this Report,

(Signed) A. GUNN,
Accountant.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the present arrangement with regard to the collection of the Weekly Rents be continued, and that Mr. W. Russell be the Collector until the end of the present year.

16. The Solicitor reported that the Board's Various Powers Bill, 1886, was awaiting appointment to a Select Committee.
17. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill in the House of Commons had been adjourned until Monday next, the 1st March, and that Mr. M'Lagan had given Notice to move that the Bill be read a second time upon that day six months.
18. The Solicitor reported that the following Petitions had been presented against the Board's (Water Supply &c.) Bill—

Kent Waterworks Company.
West Middlesex Water Company.
East London Waterworks Company.
New River Company.
Grand Junction Waterworks Company.
Chelsea Waterworks Company.
Lambeth Waterworks Company.
Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company.

and that the further discussion of the motion for the second reading of the Bill had been adjourned until Friday, March 5th.

19. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill, (Mr. Dixon Hartland) in the House of Commons had been adjourned until Wednesday, the 17th March, being the day appointed for the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill.
20. The Solicitor reported that he had not yet received a print of the Sanitation of Houses Bill, and that the second reading of the Bill in the House of Commons stood for Monday, the 19th May.
21. The Solicitor reported that the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill (Mr. Arthur O'Connor) was read a second time in the House of Commons on Tuesday last, and referred to a Select Committee; and that the second reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill (Mr. Burt) stood for Wednesday, March the 10th.
22. The Solicitor reported that the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill was read a second time in the House of Commons last Wednesday, and had been appointed for consideration to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next, the 1st of March.
23. The Solicitor reported that the Rivers Purification Bill was introduced into the House of Commons on Monday last, and read a first time, and that the second reading had been appointed for Tuesday, the 16th March.

24. The Solicitor reported that the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill was introduced and read a first time in the House of Commons on Tuesday last, that the second reading had been appointed for Monday next, the 1st March, and that notices had been given by Lord Algernon Percy and Mr. Tomlinson to move that it be read a second time upon that day six months; and he presented a copy of the Bill.

25. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

26. The Solicitor reported that Mr. J. Stuart, M.P., had asked a question as to the intentions of the Government with respect to the reform of the Municipal Government of London, and that the Home Secretary had replied to the effect that it was impossible for him at the present moment to give a definite pledge of the intentions of the Government on so important a question.

27. The Solicitor reported that the Chairman of the Board had replied to a question by Mr. T. Rogers, M.P., whether there was any prospect of the new road from Southwark-bridge-road to St. George's Church being taken in hand and completed.

28. The Solicitor reported that a Select Committee had been appointed to report upon the condition of the River Lee.

29. The Solicitor reported that the Home Secretary had given replies to questions by Mr. Robson, M.P., as to the intention of the Government with regard to the acquisition of the property of the London Water Companies; and by Mr. T. Rogers, M.P., as to the pollution of the Thames by the Outfalls at Barking-creek and Crossness.

30. The Solicitor reported that Mr. T. Rogers, M.P., had given notice to move that the East London Water Bill, the Lambeth Water Bill, and the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Bill be referred to a Select Committee; that Mr. J. Stuart, M.P., had given notice to call attention to the late disturbances in the Metropolis, and to move a resolution with regard to the Metropolitan Police Force; that Mr. Lawson, M.P., had given notice to ask the Secretary to the Treasury a question with reference to the renewal of the Coal Duties; and that Mr. Spensley, M.P., had given notice to move an Address for correspondence between the Board and the Home Office on the question of the origin of fires during the last four years.

31. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Keeping of Firewood) Bill had been withdrawn.

32. The Solicitor reported that the following Petitions had been presented against the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

New River Company.

Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company.

33. The Solicitor reported that the Commons and Inclosure Acts Amendment Bill was introduced, and read a first time in the House of Commons on Friday last, and that the second reading had been appointed for Wednesday, the 26th of May.

34. The Solicitor presented a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department,
February 26th, 1886.

HACKNEY COMMONS.

I have received a communication from Mr. Clutton, stating that his Awards are now ready in the following cases—

The Commoner's claim.
Trustees of St. Thomas's Hospital.
Abbott's Trustees.
Kendall.

In the case of the Commoners of Hackney, Mr. Clutton, at the request of the Board, called in the assistance of Mr. Bosanquet, Q.C., to sit as an Assessor upon various difficult legal points which arose.

I present the usual request for Cheque for £713, the amount of Mr. Clutton's Fees, including those of the Assessor, which the Board will, perhaps, authorise to be drawn. I shall then be in a position to present the Awards to the Works Committee next Monday with a Report.

(Signed) R. WARD,
Solicitor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, and seconded—That the Report be received, and that a Cheque for the sum of £713 be now drawn for Mr. Clutton's Fees, including those of the Assessor, in order that the Awards may be taken up.

The *motion* having been put to the vote, there were for it 18, against it 15, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

35. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £6,700 to the Fulham District Board, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the District Board to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Fulham District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board under the first-mentioned Act within the said District, of a sum of Six thousand seven hundred pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by them in executing wood paving work in the Hammersmith-road, between Rowan-road and Brook-green, and between Brook-green and the centre of Addison-road Railway Bridge. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Six thousand seven hundred pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purpose aforesaid. *Therefore* it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Six thousand seven hundred pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board Two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That a Cheque for the sum of £6,700 be now drawn in favour of the Fulham District Board, and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund accordingly.

36. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £1,800 to the Plumstead District Board, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the District Board to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**, and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction, in writing, to the borrowing, by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board, under the first-mentioned Act and the Metropolis Management (Thames River Prevention of Floods) Amendment Act, 1879, or either of them, within the said District, of a sum of One thousand eight hundred pounds for the purpose of defraying part of the expense of executing certain Flood works on the bank of the River Thames at Charlton, upon premises vested in or subject to the control of the District Board, within the meaning of the Metropolis Management (Thames River Prevention of Floods) Amendment Act, 1879. **And whereas**, the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of One thousand eight hundred pounds should be borrowed by the District Board for the purpose aforesaid. **Therefore**, it is **ordered** that the sanction, in writing, of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing, by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Metropolis Management (Thames River Prevention of Floods) Amendment Act, 1879, of a sum of One thousand eight hundred pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by equal annual instalments within a period of Four years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board Two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That a Cheque for the sum of £1,800 be now drawn in favour of the Plumstead District Board, and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund accordingly.

37. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £3,000 to the St. James, Westminster, Vestry, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**, and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Saint James, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same or some or one of them have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry under the first mentioned Act within the said Parish, of a sum of Three thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying part of the expense incurred or to be incurred by them in executing asphalte paving works in Berwick-street, Brewer-street, King-street (Regent-street), Peter-street, Portland-street, Sherwood-street, Upper and Lower James-street, Warwick-street (Regent-street), Black Lion-court, and Ham-yard, and wood paving works in part of Charles-street and in Jermyn-street, and eureka

paving works in Pall-mall and Haymarket, in Piccadilly and the Circus, from Air-street to the Quadrant, and Macadam paving works in Ryder-street, all which paving works are estimated to cost Eight thousand two hundred and six pounds, and in executing certain brick sewerage works in Little Pulteney-street and Great Crown-court, the Plan for which was approved by the Metropolitan Board of Works on the Thirtieth October, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, at a cost of Nine hundred and twenty pounds, and in improving and widening the carriage and footways of Little Pulteney-street and part of Rupert-street, at a cost of One thousand, eight hundred and twenty-seven pounds. **And whereas** the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Three thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purposes aforesaid. **Therefore** it is **ordered** that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given to the borrowing by the said Vestry under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Three thousand pounds for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by equal annual instalments within a period of Five years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board Two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That a Cheque for the sum of £3,000 be now drawn in favour of the St. James, Westminster, Vestry, and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund accordingly.

- 38.** The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £1,100 to the Guardians of the Strand Union, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount, to enable him to complete the matter.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That a Cheque for the sum of £1,100 be now drawn in favour of the Guardians of the Strand Union, and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund accordingly.

- 39.** The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £4,150 to the Charlton Burial Board, and that since the Board had agreed to make the advance another instalment of the Loan by the Public Works Loan Commissioners had become due, and that the amount to be advanced by this Board was therefore proportionately reduced, and he suggested that the Board should draw Cheques for the sums of £3,000 and £1,000, to enable him to complete the matter.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That Cheques for the sums of £3,000 and £1,000 be now drawn in favour of the Charlton Burial Board, and Cheques were drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund accordingly.

- 40.** The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Lease to Mr. H. Mann, of part of Plot No. 18, Deptford-bridge.

Appointment of Mr. Vulliamy as Valuer in the matter of a claim by Mr. T. Noton and others in respect of copyhold premises, Nos. 157 and 158, Upper-street, Islington, and stabling and yard at the rear, and a right-of-way thereto (Upper-street, Islington, Improvement.)

License of the Board to Mr. P. C. Steinmann to open additional communications in the party-wall between Nos. 123 and 125, Queen Victoria-street, on the ground floor and basement.

Petition against the Bexley-heath Railway Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

41. It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **26th** day of **February**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P., Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, ESQ., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

JOHN JONES, ESQ.	WILLIAM URQUHART, ESQ.	JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, ESQ.	CHARLES MOSSOP, ESQ.	ANDREW CAMERON, ESQ.
GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, ESQ.	JOHN BONTHRON, ESQ.	HENRY HARBEN, ESQ.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, ESQ.	CHARLES HARRIS, ESQ.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD, ESQ.
JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, ESQ., DEPUTY.	ROBERT FURNISS, ESQ.	GEORGE HILL, ESQ.
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQ., F.R.C.S. ENG.	THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, ESQ.	PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, ESQ.
ALFRED EWIN, ESQ.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, ESQ.	JOHN REDDISH, ESQ.
EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, ESQ.	ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, ESQ.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOWLER, BART., ALDERMAN, M.P.
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JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, ESQ.	JOHN LENANTON, ESQ.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, ESQ.
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, ESQ.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, ESQ.	SAMUEL PRICE, ESQ.
WILLIAM ALEXANDER LINDSAY, ESQ.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, ESQ.	HON. ALAN DE TATTON EGERTON, M.P.
WILLIAM JAMES WETENHALL, ESQ.	JOHN ABBOTT, ESQ.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.
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	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WILIAMS, ESQ.	
	FREDERICK COX, ESQ.	

1. This Special Meeting of the Board was held, pursuant to adjournment from Friday last, for the purpose of considering a notice given by Lieut-Colonel Hughes, M.P., of his intention to move that the provision of the Fire Brigade Expenses Bill for an increase of the Fire Insurance Companies' contributions should be withdrawn from the Bill when the proper time arrived for such withdrawal, and that the Resolutions of the Board of 17th July, 30th October, and 11th December, 1885, should be altered accordingly, but Lieut-Colonel Hughes not being present, and no other Member of the Board having expressed his intention of moving in accordance with the notice, the same became a dropped motion, pursuant to the Bye-law.

Adjourned

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	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	

1. It was *moved* by Mr. Harben, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Motions, notice of which appears in the Paper of Business, be now considered.
2. It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Reddish, pursuant to Notice, and seconded by Mr. Bradfield—That no Deputation be received by the Board, of which notice does not appear on the Agenda Paper, unless a majority of the Members present shall, by their votes, otherwise determine.

The *motion* having been put to the vote, there were for it 10, against it 23, and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

3. It was *moved* by Mr. Cook, M.P., seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter from the Local Government Board on the subject of relieving the present distress in the Metropolis, be now read.

The Clerk read the Letter, as follows—

Local Government Board,
Whitehall,

February 19th, 1886.

DEAR SIR JAMES HOGG,

As the result of inquiry which I have been making as regards destitution in the Metropolis, I am satisfied that although the number of persons in receipt of relief from the Boards of Guardians shows no large increase, there is considerable distress amongst

work-people of a class above that of the persons who usually apply for Poor-law relief, and there is some fear that this distress may increase.

I would, under these circumstances, strongly urge the Metropolitan Board of Works, to expedite, as far as practicable, the commencement of any public works which they may be contemplating, and that any applications which may be received from the Vestries and District Boards with reference to borrowing powers for the execution of works by those authorities should receive very prompt attention.

I shall be much obliged to you for information, as early as possible, as to any works which it is contemplated that the Metropolitan Board of Works will be able to undertake, how soon the works are likely to be commenced, and to what extent they will probably afford employment.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. CHAMBERLAIN.

It was then *moved* by Mr. Cook, M.P., pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to confer with Her Majesty's Government, with a view to ascertain whether, in the event of the Board deciding to carry out one or more permanent communications across the Thames, they might rely upon the assistance of the Government to obtain exceptional powers from Parliament to enable the works to be commenced immediately, and also, as to the best means of providing the necessary funds.

After discussion, the *motion* was, at the suggestion of Mr. Urquhart, and by leave of the Board, modified as follows—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to confer with Her Majesty's Government, with a view to ascertain whether in the event of the Board deciding to carry out one or more permanent communications across the Thames, or any other works requiring Parliamentary sanction, they might rely upon the assistance of the Government to obtain exceptional powers from Parliament to enable the works to be commenced immediately, and also, as to the best means of providing the necessary funds.

An *amendment* thereon was *moved* by Mr. Cameron, and seconded by Mr. Furniss—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to confer with Her Majesty's Government, with a view to ascertain whether, in the event of the Board deciding to carry out one or more permanent communications across the Thames, or any other works requiring Parliamentary sanction, they might rely upon the assistance of the Government to obtain exceptional powers from Parliament to enable the works to be commenced without unnecessary delay, and also as to the best means of providing the requisite funds.

After discussion, the *amendment* was put to the vote, when there were for it 21, against 2; and it was declared to be carried; and having been put as an *original motion*, there were for it 22, against it 14; and it was also carried.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—22.

Abbott, J., Esq.	Mossop, C., Esq.
Andrews, W., Esq.	Richardson, G. B.,
Bonthron, J., Esq.	Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Saunders, J. E.,
Cox, F., Esq.	Esq., Deputy.
Debenham, W., Esq.	Tolhurst, J., Esq.
Ewin, A., Esq.	Urquhart, W., Esq.
Furniss, R., Esq.	Webster, R. G., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Wetenhall, W. J.,
Jolly, J. R., Esq.	Esq.
Jones, J., Esq.	Williams, T. W.,
Lenanton, J., Esq.	Esq.
Middlemass, A., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Cook.

Against the Motion—14.

Bradfield, J. E., Esq.	Price, S., Esq.
Edwards, G., Esq.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Fardell, T. G., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Funnell, P. W., Esq.	Selway, W. R., Esq.
Hill, G., Esq.	Shepherd, W., Esq.
Ingoldby, F., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Lindsay, W. A., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Fowler.

And it was *resolved*—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to confer with Her Majesty's Government, with a view to ascertain whether in the event of the Board deciding to carry out one or more permanent communications across the Thames, or any other works requiring Parliamentary sanction, they might rely upon the assistance of the Government to obtain exceptional powers from Parliament to enable the works to be commenced without unnecessary delay, and also, as to the best means of providing the requisite funds.

At a subsequent part of the day's proceedings, it was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter from the President of the Local Government Board be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

4. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th February, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following District Boards and Vestry—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARK.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
HACKNEY.				
Well-street, South Hackney ...	235	18-inch	pipe	Recommended as applied for.
WANDSWORTH.				
Harberson-road, Streatham ...	522	12-inch	pipe	Recommended as applied for.
CHELSEA.				
Henniker-mews, Callow-street...	330	12-inch	pipe	Recommended as applied for.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the said District Boards and Vestry be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

5. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th February, 1886, on an application from the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1886.					
17th Feb.	Conduit-street	Paving.	6 weeks.	6 weeks.	Maddox, &c., Streets.
	Queen-street, May-fair ...	do.	3 "	3 "	Chesterfield-street.
	Half-moon-street	do.	4 "	4 "	Clarges, &c., Streets.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

6. Read a Report by the Engineer dated 26th February 1886, on an application from the Fulham District Board for permission to close the part of Hammersmith-road between Blythe-lane and Russell-road for a period of three weeks, for the purpose of paving the carriage-way with wood; stating that there was no convenient route through which the traffic in the road could be temporarily diverted, and that as the carriage-way was sufficiently wide to admit of the paving works being executed upon one-half of its width at a time, he considered that the Board should decline to sanction the

closing of the road, and should require the works to be so executed, and recommend accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 25th February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. W. Jacomb, Engineer to the London and South-Western Railway Company, submitting for approval Plans for the proposed widening of the Bridge carrying their Railway over the Lambeth-road; stating that the existing Bridge over the road was an arched Bridge in two spans, having a headway of 19 feet 2 inches at the centre and 10 feet 10 inches at the springing, but that the South-Western Railway (Various Powers) Act, 1883, Section 11, Sub-Section 2, provided that all Bridges constructed under the Act should have a clear headway throughout of not less than 18 feet, and that it also provided for the Bridge in question being in two spans of 33 feet each; further stating that those conditions were complied with in the Plans submitted, and that in that respect he recommended that the Plans should be approved; but that the proposed elevation was not satisfactory for a thoroughfare of the importance of Lambeth-road, and that Mr. Jacomb should therefore be requested to send in an amended Design.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received; that the headway and spans of the intended widening be approved, and that the Company's Engineer be requested to submit an amended Design for the elevation.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th February, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal were required for use at the Western Pumping Station.

					ESTIMATE.
80 Tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	£72 6 8
80 „ Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	56 6 8
Total					£128 13 4

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th February, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contract.

<i>Barking-Reservoir.</i>				ESTIMATE.
Shoring up and repairing arches	...	...	...	£100 - -

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th February, 1886, on an application from the Vestry of Kensington for permission to close the part of Brompton-road between Harper's-court and New-street for a period of two weeks, for the purpose of paving the carriage-way with wood; stating that it would be impossible to divert the whole of the traffic through the route proposed, and recommending that the Board should decline to sanction the closing of the road, and should require the paving works to be carried out upon one-half of the width of the road at one time.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th February, 1886, on a Letter from Messrs. Ashby and Horner, applying for permission to take up a portion of the footway paving in Savoy-street, Victoria Embankment, for the purpose of fixing two iron gutters to the rain-water pipes at Lancaster House, recommending that the permission should

be granted, subject to the work being done and the paving being re-instated to the satisfaction of the proper Officers of the Board and at the cost of the applicants.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted on the conditions stated in the Report.

12. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 12th instant (No. 15), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Hayes-place, &c.	...	...	...	Islington.
Ascham-street, &c.	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
Carrol-road, &c.	...	...	...	do.
Pentonville-road (part)	...	...	...	Clerkenwell and St. Pancras.
St. Chad's-place, &c.	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
Seymour-row, &c.	...	...	...	do.
Swinton-street	...	...	...	do.
Paradise-street	...	...	...	do.
Grange-road, Stoke Newington	...	...	...	Hackney.
Beaumont-place	...	...	...	Fulham.
Trinity-road	...	...	...	Lambeth.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

13. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. M. Acworth, on behalf of the Camberwell Committee of the Mansion House Fund, dated 20th February, 1886, urging the Board to put in hand at once their projected works in connection with the proposed Park at Dulwich, and the improvements on Peckham-rye-common.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

14. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. J. Stokes, Clerk to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, dated 19th February, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Resolution passed by the Vestry, and a copy of a Petition of the General Committee of the Rotherhithe Ratepayers' Association, urging upon the Board the existing necessity, owing to the want of employment of working men, for carrying out the Jamaica-road Improvement, and to arrange, as a Metropolitan Improvement, the widening of the "Royal Oak Corner," and the rebuilding of the Black Horse Bridge; and also for applying to Parliament in the present Session for powers to construct a Bridge across the Thames South of the Corporation Tower Bridge.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

15. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. James Searle, Secretary of the New River Company, dated 19th February, 1886, again calling attention to the need for provision, by the Board, of an adequate number of Fire Hydrants in the districts supplied with Water on the constant system; and asking if the Board were satisfied that the Hydrants which they had already caused to be fixed in St. Pancras, Stoke Newington and Shoreditch were sufficient to meet the requirements of their Fire Brigade, and, if not, that they would, according to the Statute, fix an adequate number, as it was the intention of the Company to proceed with the removal of plugs fixed by them at their own cost.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

16. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Fulham District,

Clerk's Department,

Broadway House, Hammersmith, W.,

20th day of February, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by this Board to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their promised contribution towards the Improvement effected in Fulham-road by the "Swan" Tavern, North-end-road, by West Kensington Station; also for their promised contribution towards the cost of constructing Gliddon-road Bridge.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) THOMAS EDW. JONES,

Clerk to the Board.

The Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Superintending Architect and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

17. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs Dubois, Reid and Williams, dated 19th February, 1886, asking to be informed of the Board's reasons for refusing to grant their clients a Certificate on the amended Plans for the Occidental Theatre, in the Strand.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration with authority to send a reply thereto.

18. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. W. Murnane, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, dated 20th February, 1886, enclosing a copy of a Resolution passed by the Vestry, stating that they were of opinion that the fixing of overhead Telegraph and Telephone Wires was a source of considerable danger to life and property, and that, in all cases, such wires should be placed underground.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

19. The Clerk presented a copy of a Letter from Mr. W. Bristow, Clerk to the Vestry of Greenwich, dated 20th February, 1886, addressed to the Solicitor, stating that a Committee of the Vestry desired to see the Works and General Purposes Committee of this Board on the subject of the communication between Greenwich and Millwall, also expressing their opinion that if the Board would make either a Ferry or Subway they could get the Standing Orders of Parliament suspended, and that by so doing employment might be given to a large number of men.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

20. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. H. C. Brunless, dated 22nd February, 1886, enquiring, as a Member of the Camberwell Sub-Committee of the Mansion House Relief Fund, whether the Board could not at once commence the works for the laying out of the proposed new Park at Dulwich.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

21. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. R. Conder, dated 22nd February, 1886, acknowledging the receipt of the Board's Letter, as to his method for the treatment of Sewage, and submitting that in the case of a process so novel it could

hardly be expected that any satisfactory or useful results would be attained by experiments made without any communication with the inventor of the process.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

22. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 22nd February, 1886, transmitting, with reference to previous correspondence, a Letter from the Erith Local Board, calling attention to the slight progress which had been made in regard to settling a scheme for the treatment of the Sewage of the Metropolis, and asking that immediate steps might be taken in the matter; and requesting that the Secretary of State might be favoured with the Board's observations thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

23. The Clerk presented a copy Report of the Water Examiner, appointed by the Board of Trade, of the examination made by him of the Water supplied by the several Metropolitan Water Companies during the month of January last.

24. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. H. Cadot, dated 22nd February 1886, asking to be allowed to show the Board a working sample of his portable Safety Electric Lamp.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Cadot be informed that the Board have no use for which they would require such a lamp.

25. The Clerk presented a copy of the Accounts of the City of Edinburgh for the year 1885.

26. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. Courtenay Boyle, Local Government Board, dated 24th February 1886, transmitting a copy of a Letter from the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, suggesting a scheme for the disposal of the dust and refuse of the Metropolis, and requesting to be furnished with the observations of the Board thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

27. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Dewey, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 24th February, 1886, transmitting a Memorial from the Vestry, asking the Board to proceed with the widening of the Upper-street forthwith.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

28. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. Woodward, dated 24th February, 1886, urging the Board to make the new street from Gray's-inn-road to St. John-street-road, 60 feet in width instead of 50 feet as proposed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send in a reply thereto.

29. The Clerk presented a Letter from Lord Charles Bruce, dated 21st February, 1886, transmitting a copy of Resolutions passed by the Committee of the Mansion House Relief Fund for the unemployed, suggesting, in order to afford as much relief as possible to the unemployed, that the following works might be at once commenced, viz., the conversion of the Northern Main Drainage Embankment into a Public Boulevard, the formation of a Recreation Ground on the site of the Isle of Dogs, recommended by Mr. Bryce, M.P., and the laying out of a Public Garden at Fulham on the site offered by the late Bishop of London, and stating that with a view to assist the Board should

they be able to undertake any of these or similar works without any additional rate being imposed, the Committee would be prepared to vote £5,000, provided such works were commenced within three weeks.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

30. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. East, M.D., Hon. Secretary to the Association for the Preservation of the Lee, dated 24th February, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Resolution passed at a public meeting held under the auspices of the Association, urging the Board and the Tottenham Local Board to re-consider their decisions to oppose the Lee Purification Bill becoming law.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

31. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Dewey, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 24th February, 1886, asking that, having regard to the Board's Resolution of the 12th instant (No. 14) with reference to the London Street Tramways Company's Scheme for the formation of Tramways in the Archway-road, the Board would obtain from their Engineer an opinion as to the best mode of widening the Highgate-archway so as to obtain a 44 feet road-way underneath, and of the probable cost of such widening.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

32. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Baylis and Pearce, dated 24th February 1886, asking the Board to make an early appointment for a conference with the Trustees of the Joint Gift Estates of Cripplegate and St. Luke, upon the present condition of the buildings for Artizans' Dwellings in course of completion in Chatham-gardens, Nile-street, St. Luke's, in the hope that by an actual inspection the Board would be satisfied that it was a case in which they should give their sanction to the buildings, and refrain from the further prosecution of the special case.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration with authority to confer with the parties therein.

33. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town.

Guardians' Offices, Bancroft-road,
Mile-end, London, E.,
24th February, 1886.

SIR,—In reply to your Letter of the 17th instant, I am directed by the Guardians of the Poor of the Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town to make an application on their behalf to the Metropolitan Board of Works for a Loan of £5,000 to provide new Casual Wards at the Workhouse in Bancroft-road, the rate of interest being $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. per ann. and the period of repayment being 20 years.

If you will kindly lay this Letter before your Board at their next Meeting, I shall feel obliged.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
The Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. THACKER,
Clerk to the Guardians.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

34. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Town-hall, Hackney, E.,
London, 23rd February, 1886.

LOAN OF £10,000.

SIR,—I am directed by the Finance Committee of the Board of Works for the Hackney District to forward you the accompanying amended statement of the proposed expenditure in respect of the Loan of £10,000, the alteration being chiefly in the amount to be expended in paving works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) RICHARD ELLIS,
Clerk to the Board.

To the Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

Board of Works for the Hackney District.

Surveyor's Department,
Town-hall, Hackney,
22nd February, 1886.

PROPOSED LOAN OF £10,000.

	£	£
Temple-mills Bridge and approaches	4,257	
Less by contribution from M.B.W.	2,128	
		2,129
Paving works—		
Church-street, Stoke Newington	559	
Clarence-road, Lower Clapton	1,140	
Albion-road, Stoke Newington	1,251	
West-street, Hackney	591	
Broadway, London-fields	1,439	
Seven Sisters'-road, Stoke Newington	130	
Green-lanes, Stoke Newington	595	
		5,705
Improvements—		
No. 37, Church-street	250	
Lower Clapton	240	
Urswick-road	100	
Nos. 33 and 35, Church-street	175	
Lower Clapton	625	
Brooksby's-walk	500	
		1,890
Open Spaces—		
South Hackney Recreation ground	250	
West Hackney Recreation ground	460	
Small Open Spaces	315	
	£1,025	
Less by contribdton from M.B.W.	412	
		613
		£10,337

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates, and that the Superintending Architect, the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

35. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 23rd instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			sulphureted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	Photometer under repair.			11.1	7.9	9.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	None.
	Camden ...	16.8	16.2	16.6	12.3	8.1	9.9	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston ...	16.6	16.4	16.5	12.9	42.1	12.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow ...	17.2	16.4	16.8	12.5	9.7	10.6	0.3	0.0	0.2	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.8	16.1	16.5	14.6	12.5	13.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	"
	" (Nine-elms) ...	16.2	16.1	16.1	14.7	13.1	14.0	0.7	0.2	0.4	"
	Kingsland-road ...	16.6	16.4	16.4	12.1	8.1	10.3	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Charing-cross ...	16.6	15.4	16.1	14.0	11.1	12.4	0.9	0.3	0.6	"
	St. John's-wood ...	16.7	15.9	16.2	14.8	13.2	13.8	0.5	0.3	0.4	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Station closed for repairs.									
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Peckham ...	17.0	16.5	16.7	16.4	10.6	12.8	0.7	0.0	0.3	"
	Tooley-street ...	17.4	16.2	16.7	15.5	8.6	11.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Clapham ...	16.8	16.0	16.5	17.3	12.6	14.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Lewisham ...	16.9	16.0	16.5	14.4	10.2	12.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Old Ford ...	17.9	17.0	17.3	9.1	7.5	8.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	16.4	15.7	16.1	11.9	3.4	9.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in Barry-road, Peckham, on the 20th inst., at 8 p.m., was 1.8 inches.

36. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. H. Girdler, on behalf of Mr. Davis, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on a portion of the forecourt of a portion of No. 12, Heaton-road, Peckham, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

37. FULHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. W. Chapman, on behalf of Mr. H. T. Webster, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a wooden pent in front of No. 64, Uxbridge-road, Hammersmith, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

38. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. P. Heiestad, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 65 to 73 (odd numbers), Victoria-road, Hackney-wick, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

39. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of the St. Pancras Iron Works Company, on behalf Mr. F. T. Edwards, for the consent of the Board to the erection and construction of a glass and iron covered way in front of No. 42, Hampstead-hill-gardens, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the covered way therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 40. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. C. Walkley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 194, Elthorne-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 41. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. G. Turner, on behalf of Messrs. Crisp and Co., for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey warehouse at the rear of No. 81, Seven Sisters'-road, and abutting on Sussex-road to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the warehouse therein referred to, be commenced within Six months. and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 42. NEWINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. B. Fletcher, M.P., District Surveyor, relative to the re-erection, without the consent of the Board, of No. 15, Newington-butts, with the upper floors projecting beyond the original line of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 43. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. Ovenden, for the consent of the Board to the erection and construction of a wooden Coffee Cabin, at the corner of Novar-road and Footscray-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 44. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Swansborough, on behalf of Mr. T. B. Roupell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of eight houses on the South-West side of Victoria-road, Charlton, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 45. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Gregory and Co., on behalf of Mr. S. Brunton, for the consent of the Board to the enclosure of the sides of the portico at No. 84, Brook-street, Grosvenor-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the enclosure of the sides of the portico, therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that such enclosure be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 46. SHOREDITCH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. W. Skelton, on behalf of Messrs. Soul and Smith, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 14, 16, 18 and 20, New North-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

47. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. N. Dunn, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards to four houses on the South side of Elms-road, Clapham-common.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

48. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Pattison, for the permission of the Board to retain for a further period, the temporary wood and iron shed erected in Pilgrim-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted for a further period of One year from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

49. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Foulsham, on behalf of Messrs. D. and A. Hutchison, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a moulding-shop, with enclosures of corrugated iron, at the Foundry, in Hancock-road, Bromley, and for a dispensation by the Board with the observance of the Bye-law made under the provisions of the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with reference to the covering of the site of such moulding shop with a layer of concrete.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

50. ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. H. Woodroffe, on behalf of Mr. J. Pascall, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an iron concrete and glass enclosed footbridge to connect No. 101, Blackfriars-road, with a warehouse at the rear thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

51. WESTMINSTER.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. H. Hill, on behalf of the Directors of Brin's Oxygen Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a brick and iron building at the works, at the rear of No. 69, Horseferry-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

52. WESTMINSTER.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. H. Hill, on behalf of the Directors of Brin's Oxygen Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the works, at the rear of No. 69, Horseferry-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 53. WHITECHAPEL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. F. Goodey, on behalf of the Co-operative Wholesale Society, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a temporary iron shed at the rear of No. 116, Leman-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a period of One year from this date, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 54. CHELSEA.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Thorn, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of an extension of Elm-park-mews, Callow-street, Fulham-road, approved by the Board on the 30th July, 1875 (No. 9), and for permission to re-name the said Mews “Henniker-mews.”

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 55. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a two-storey workshop on land, abutting upon a narrow foot-way at the rear of No. 178, High-road, Kilburn.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 56. LEWISHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th February, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. H. S. Winnett, Clerk to the Lewisham District Board, relative to the erection of the forecourt wall of All Saint’s Orphanage, Granville-park, within the prescribed distance from the centre of the road provided by the Amendment Act, 1878.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 57. POPLAR.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. B. Newton, on behalf of the North London Railway Company, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of an extension of Brickfield-road, Bromley.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said road, and that the name “Brickfield-road, E.” (in continuation) for the same, be approved.

- 58. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th February, 1886, on a Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, relative to the formation of Amies-street, Latchmere-road, Battersea, of a less width than that approved by the Board on the 9th January, 1880 (No. 7).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 59. BERMONDSEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February 1886, on the application of Mr. L. R. Ford, on behalf of Messrs. J. Taylor and Son, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open van shed at the rear of No. 109, St. James-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 60. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February,

1886, on the application of Messrs. Humphrys Tennant and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the re-construction of an addition to a marine boiler shop at their works at Deptford-pier with openings in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 61. LEWISHAM**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction of two open play-sheds at the Schools in Park-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 62. SHOREDITCH**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Gordon and Lowther, on behalf of Mr. R. T. Fish, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a building at Blossom-street, with openings in the front wall in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 63. WESTMINSTER**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. James, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an addition to a wood and iron shed at the rear of No. 103, Regency-street, with openings in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 64. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. G. H. and A. Bywaters, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of openings in the party wall between Nos. 42 and 43, Park-lane, Piccadilly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 65. LEWISHAM**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Tolley, District Surveyor, for the appointment by Board of a Fee, for a special service performed by him in supervising the setting of two steam boilers, at the Gas Works, Lower Sydenham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Thirty shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

- 66. CAMBERWELL**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. H. Wood, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a studio of wood and covered externally with Willesden paper, at the rear of No. 8, Claude-villas, Grove-vale.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That the application be not granted.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Middlemass, and seconded—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

- 67. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th February, 1886, on the application of the Rev. W. E. Haigh, for the permission of the Board to retain, as a permanent structure, a wood and iron Mission-room, erected at St. George's-hall, Richmond-road, Barnsbury.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 68. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. S. de Pothonier, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood, iron and tile tool or coach-house at the rear of West End Lodge, Streatham-common.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 69.** The following Notice of Motion was given for the Meeting on Friday next, viz.—

By Mr. Fardell (No. 1,495)—That an instruction be given to the Works and General Purposes Committee to report to the Board upon the subject of the treatment of the Sewage of the Metropolis, and the arrangements (if any) for preventing the discharge of Sewage into the River Thames.

Adjourned until Friday, the 5th March next,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 9.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **5th** day of **March**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.
ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.
JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WILLIAMS, Esq.
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, Esq.	BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	JOHN LENANTON, Esq.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	LIEUT.-COLONEL MUNRO.	ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETENHALL, Esq.	HON. ALANDE TATTON EGER- TON, M.P.
ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOWLER, BART., ALDERMAN, M.P.	ROBERT JONES, Esq.
JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR- CLOUGH, Esq.
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND- SAY, Esq.
ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	
	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.	

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board, held on the 26th February last, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meetings respectively.
2. Deputations from the Vestry of Bermondsey and inhabitants and tradesmen of the Parish, introduced by Mr. Shepherd, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. J. Porter, Mr. A. Bedding, Mr. R. Bonny, Mr. D. M^cCarthy, Mr. A. F. Gardiner, Mr. J. Watson, Mr. G. Merralls, Mr. G. E. Reynolds, Mr. H. Stone, and Mr. I. Reeson, attended the Board, and presented Memorials, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey.

SHEWETH,

1.—That by the Streets Improvement Act, 1877, powers were granted to your Honourable Board to make certain Improvements in the Metropolis, including the widening of Jamaica-road, in the Parish of Bermondsey.

5 March, 1886.

2.—The terms of the description of such Improvement being as follows—

“Jamaica-road and Union-road Improvement.—The further widening of Jamaica-road
“on the South side, from Major-road to Jamaica-level, and on its North side,
“from Cherry-garden-street to a point about twenty yards to the West thereof.”

3.—That by Section 31 of the said Act it is enacted that the powers of the Board for the compulsory purchase or taking of the lands authorised to be taken by that Act for the purpose of the Improvement should not be exercised after the expiration of seven years, to be computed from the passing of that Act, and that if any part of the Improvements should not be completed within ten years from the passing of that Act, then that on the expiration of that period, the powers of the Board under that Act for the execution thereof should cease to be exercised.

4.—The time, therefore, for the compulsory powers of purchase would expire on the 14th August, 1884, and for execution of the works on the 14th August 1887.

5.—By the Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Act, 1884, the time limited, as above set forth, for compulsory purchase with regard to the West-end new Streets and Street Improvement, and the Southwark-bridge-road and Great Dover-street communication, was extended to the 14th day of August, 1887, but no authority was then taken by the Board for an extension of time as respects the Jamaica-road Improvement of the Act of 1877.

6.—Your Honourable Board has carried out a portion of the Improvement of Jamaica-road on the South side—that is to say, between Drummond-road and Jamaica-level; but has not carried out the Improvement between Major-road and Drummond-road.

7.—Your Memorialists have continually had before them complaints from Owners and Occupiers of property in Jamaica-road of injury sustained by them by reason of the very great delay in carrying out the contemplated Improvements.

8.—Your Memorialists know, from practical experience as to the wants of the neighbourhood, that the widening of Jamaica-road is a desideratum which would be welcome to all persons in that locality, where much time is daily lost by the congestion of the traffic in the road, which has for a long time past been far too narrow for the numerous vehicles continually plying therein, which said road is the main thoroughfare between Commercial Docks and London Bridge, and where are many and extensive wharves, warehouses, factories, and shops from and to which goods are at all times being transferred.

9.—Your Honourable Board is now seeking powers from Parliament by means of a Bill intituled “A Bill to confer further powers on the Metropolitan Board of Works as to Streets and Open Spaces, and for other purposes,” by Section 35 of which Bill it is proposed to extend the time for purchase of certain property set forth in the Schedule thereto, and forming part of the property affected by the Improvement authorised by the Act of 1877.

10.—Your Memorialists beg to submit that the present opportunity of extending the time limited for purchase of land and execution of works in the case of Jamaica-road, ought not to be lost, and urge your Honourable Board to include in the said Bill now pending in Parliament a Clause to extend such time so limited as aforesaid, or if necessary to re-enact the provisions of the Act of 1877, so far as the projected Improvement of Jamaica-road on the South side is concerned.

11.—Your Memorialists also beg to submit to your Honourable Board that the present time is a good opportunity for acquiring at a low price the necessary sites in Jamaica-road for the proposed widening, the inhabitants being most anxious for the Improvement.

Your Memorialists therefore pray your Honourable Board to take immediate steps to complete the Improvement in Jamaica-road, any further delay in the matter being most prejudicial to the tradesmen and other ratepayers, and for such purpose to obtain from Parliament an extension of the time for compulsory purchase limited by the Street Improvement Act of 1877, or in the alternative a re-enactment of that Statute so far as regards the Improvement of Jamaica-road on the South side.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

The Seal of the Vestry of the Parish of Bermondsey was hereto affixed
by Order of the said Vestry, on the day of March, 1886, in the
presence of

(Signed) J. HARRISON,
Clerk.

L.S.

Re JAMAICA-ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

Memorial to the Honourable the Chairman and the Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Humble Petition of your Memorialists

SHREWETH,

That your Memorialists desire to place before your Honourable Board the following statements with respect to the proposed widening of Jamaica-road, Bermondsey, from Drummond-road to Major-road, to carry out which your Honourable Board obtained Parliamentary powers in the year 1877, but which powers your Memorialists believe your Honourable Board have resolved not to put in force.

Your Memorialists fully appreciate the efforts of your Honourable Board which have resulted in the widening of Dockhead, in this Parish, and of the extreme Eastern portion of Jamaica-road, by which the congested traffic has been relieved to a considerable extent, but the full benefits of the latter Improvement cannot be fully appreciated unless the said widening is continued in a Westerly direction, at least as far as Keetons-road on the South side of the main thoroughfare.

Your Memorialists cannot but think that if your Honourable Board consents to a re-consideration, by which they express an opinion that this widening is unnecessary, they will not fail to perceive that the dangers to which the public are now exposed demand that further attention shall be given to this question. The traffic passing along Jamaica-road is of an exceptionally heavy character, comprising the carriage of timber in large quantities from the Surrey Commercial Docks to the Northern and Eastern parts of the Metropolis. The local traffic, too, is largely supplemented by the vehicles passing to and from Deptford Cattle Market, whilst in itself that traffic is increasing in volume. The erection of the new Tower Bridge is calculated to increase that traffic, therefore your Memorialists would urge your Honourable Board to consider the imperative necessity of effecting the important widening.

Your Memorialists would direct attention to the dangers attendant upon the pedestrian traffic, by the erection of posts upon the footpath marking the boundaries of the properties abutting upon the Jamaica-road and Drummond-road, which posts have long proved sources of danger, which would be obviated by the carrying out of the proposed Improvements.

Your Memorialists cannot think that that which was deemed by your Honourable Board a necessary undertaking as far back as the year 1877, will be regarded now by you as unnecessary, as during the ten years which have since elapsed, the adjacent districts have largely increased in population, thereby adding to the traffic, vehicular and pedestrian, which passes this point.

Your Memorialists submit that this Improvement is essentially Metropolitan in its character, as Jamaica-road is the great highway from London-bridge to Deptford, Greenwich, and the South-Eastern suburban districts. These various points your Memorialists submit to your Honourable Board, praying that further consideration may be given to them by you, and that the Improvement may be speedily carried out.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

(Signed) JAMES ABBOTT & CO.,
40, Jamaica-road, Dockhead,
And 113 others.

The Deputations having addressed the Board in support of the Memorials,

It was moved by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Tolhurst, and resolved—That the Memorials be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Chamber of London, Guildhall, E.C.,
1st March, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to enclose herewith a statement of the receipt of the Coal Duties (8d. and 1d. per ton), and the Duty on Wine, from the 1st October, 1885, to the 31st December, 1885, showing the net proceeds of the same, viz., £97,006 3s. 1d., and to inform you that I have to-day paid that amount into the Bank of England to the credit of the account of the "Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund."

I am, &c.,
(Signed) BENJAMIN SCOTT,
Chamberlain.
To J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

5 March, 1886.

The Statement referred to was laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £97,006 3s. 1d. be now drawn on the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund, for transferring that amount from the Bank of England to the Board's Account at the London and Westminster Bank.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter and Statement be referred to the Finance Committee.

4. Mr. Webster handed in a Letter, as follows—

Parish of St. George, Hanover-square.

Temporary Offices—9, Commercial-road, Pimlico, S.W.
4th March, 1886.

HYDE-PARK-CORNER (NEW STREETS) BILL.

SIR,—The Vestry of this Parish, at their Meeting to-day, had the above-named Bill under consideration, and passed the following unanimous Resolution thereon, viz.—“That the Metropolitan Board of Works be asked to arrange for a conference with the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields and this Vestry, to see whether any equitable arrangement can be come to with regard to the future maintenance of the new roads. The conference, if called and no arrangement come to, to be without prejudice to any future action on the part of either of the three bodies interested.”

Will you kindly lay this Resolution before your Board?

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. H. SMITH,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Webster, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

5. Mr. Webster handed in a Letter, as follows—

Parish of St. George, Hanover-square.

Temporary Offices—9, Commercial-road, Pimlico, S.W.,
4th March, 1886.

SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry of this Parish to inform you that they propose spending the sum of Ten thousand pounds (£10,000) in extending the wood pavement in the following road-ways of this Parish, viz.—

Buckingham-palace-road (from Grosvenor Hotel to Ebury Bridge).
Conduit-street.
Half Moon-street.
Pimlico-road.
Queen-street (Mayfair).
Wilton-road.

And I am further to ask your Board to grant a Loan for the sum named, to enable the Vestry to meet the expenditure. The Loan to be re-paid by seven equal annual instalments.

The Vestry are desirous of commencing the work as soon as they possibly can, so as to assist in giving employment to men now out of work.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. H. SMITH,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Webster, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

6. Mr. Middlemass handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry St. Giles, Camberwell.

Vestry Clerk's Department,
 Vestry-hall, Camberwell, S.E.,
 March 4th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry to forward for the consideration of your Board the following Resolution passed at a meeting of the Vestry last night—

“That this Vestry have learned with deep regret that the Metropolitan Board of Works contemplate re-conveying $1\frac{3}{4}$ acres of land to Dulwich College, being a part of the land devoted by the Governors, by Act of Parliament, to the use of the public for ever. The Vestry respectfully requests the Board to abandon such intention of re-conveying any part of land which has become public property.”

I am, &c.,
 (Signed) GEO. W. MARSDEN,
 Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
 Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
 Spring gardens, Charing-cross.

It was *moved* by Mr. Middlemass, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, and the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

7. Mr. Middlemass handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry St. Giles, Camberwell.

Vestry Clerk's Department,
 Vestry-hall, Camberwell, S.E.,
 March 4th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry to draw the attention of your Board to the extension of a new shop, at the corner of Elsie-road, East Dulwich, to 3 feet 6 inches, instead of 2 feet 8 inches, as sanctioned by your Board, and to request that your Board may take such action as may be necessary.

I am, &c.,
 (Signed) GEO. W. MARSDEN,
 Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
 Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
 Spring-gardens, Charing-cross.

It was *moved* by Mr. Middlemass, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

8. Mr. Richardson handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

141, Greenwich-road, Greenwich, S.E.,
 4th March, 1886.

SIR,—I am instructed by this Board to suggest, on their behalf, to the Metropolitan Board of Works, that a Subway be constructed from the Upper Watergate, at the Northern end of Watergate-street, under the Thames, to the Ferry-road, Millwall, and that the Metropolitan Board of Works should take measures to carry out this work.

I am, &c.,
 (Signed) J. SPENCER,
 Clerk of the Board.

The Clerk,
 Metropolitan Board of Works,
 Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

5 March, 1886.

9. Mr. Meaden handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.,

4th March, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by this Board to apply for the consent of the Metropolitan Board of Works to their raising a Loan of Two thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense of paving with wood so much of Clapham-park-road as lies between Clapham-cross and Pleasant-place, and the margins of the carriage-way in High-street, Clapham.

I am also to ask the Metropolitan Board of Works to advance such Loan, the principal to be re-paid in seven years.

I annex a copy of the Surveyor's Estimate.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed)

HEN. GEO. HILLS,

Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,

Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was moved by Mr. Meaden, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

10. Mr. Tolhurst handed in a Letter, as follows—

Parish of St. John, Horselydown, S.E.,

3rd March, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—The Churchwardens of the Parishes of St. Olave and St. John, Southwark, by the desire of the Parishioners, propose to open a disused graveyard, in St. John's Parish, known as "The Old Burial-ground," as a place of resort for the inhabitants of the Parishes.

The ground was closed for burials in 1853. It is about half-an-acre in extent, with a frontage of 130 feet on Tooley-street. The enclosed section of the Ordnance Map will show how suitable the ground is for the purpose proposed.

The cost of converting the ground is estimated at £1,017. The Churchwardens trust to be able to raise half that sum by subscriptions, and they now desire me to ask your Board to contribute the other moiety of the cost.

I am, &c.,

(Signed)

EDRIC BAYLEY,

Vestry Clerk,

for self and Vestry Clerk of St. Olave's.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,

Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was moved by Mr. Tolhurst, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

11. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 1st March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Hanson and Bowden (Putney)—(618 and 619)—</i>							
Hanson, A. W. ; Hanson, Rev. J. C. ; and Bowden, J. ;							
per Deacon, Son and Gibson—							
27	Consequential damage to the Malt-house Wharf,						
	Fulham	...	...	...	2,980	-	-
	Carried forward	...	...	...	£2,980	-	-

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	2,980	-	-	...		
Deacon, Son and Gibson—								
28	Interest on compensation-money from Christmas, 1885, to 3rd March, 1886 (less Tax)	...	21	15	8			
<i>Re</i> the "Rose and Crown" Public-house (Putney)—(620)—								
Breach, Mrs.—								
29	Compensation for loss of business, fixtures, and removal	... ..	207	7	-			
<i>Re</i> Bowden (Putney)—(621)—								
Baker, B.—								
30	Surveyor's Fees and as Witness	... ..	73	10	-			
						3,282	12	8
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>								
<i>Re</i> Watson and others (Southwark-bridge-road)—(622)—								
Berkeley, C. R., and Son—								
8671	Proportion of Rent of premises in Southwark-bridge-road, Peter-street, Queen-street, and Red-cross-street, to Michaelmas, 1885 (less Tax)	... ..	30	9	1			
<i>Re</i> Brinckman (Charing-cross)—(623)—								
Walker, E. C.—								
8672	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	145	19	11			
<i>Re</i> Gosden and others (Charing-cross)—(624)—								
Purchase-money for Freehold of house, stables, and workshop and passage-way, in Crown-place, Soho—								
8673	Gosden, Jno.	... ..	£480	-	-			
8674	Hodgson, Chas. Harris	... ..	320	-	-			
8675	Gosden, Jno., and Gosden, Mrs.	... ..	800	-	-			
	Elizabeth	... ..	800	-	-			
8676	Lloyds, Barnetts and Bosanquets Bank, Limited	... ..	800	-	-			
			2,400	-	-			
Smith, D., Sons and Oakley—								
8677	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	... ..	26	5	-			
Phillips, J. and J.—								
8678	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	... ..	12	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Bygrave (Southwark-bridge-road)—(625)—								
Bank of England—								
8679	Interest on Purchase-money, from 27th April, 1885, to 5th March, 1886	... ..	48	1	7			
<i>Re</i> Long (Southwark-bridge-road)—(626)—								
Wyatt and Barraud—								
8680	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	7	7	-			
<i>Re</i> Colle (Charing-cross)—(627)—								
Colle, F.—								
8681	Compensation for loss of business and removal from No. 11, Hemmings-row	... ..	20	-	-			
	Carried forward	... ..	£2,690	2	7	3,282	12	8

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	2,690	2	7	3,282	12	8
<i>Re</i> Connell (Charing-cross)—(628)—							
Connell, Miss C.—							
8682 Compensation for loss of business and removal from Nos. 19 and 20, Castle-street	...	15	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Brown (Charing-cross)—(629)—							
Brown, E.—							
8683 Compensation for loss of business and removal from No. 51, Crown-street, Soho...	...	10	-	-			
					2,715	2	7
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>							
<i>Re</i> Johnson (Upper-street, Islington)—(630)—							
Johnson, Edmd.—							
829 Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in Nos. 306 and 307, Upper-street...	1,650	-	-				
Walter, S.—							
830 Surveyor's Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	23	2	-			
<i>Re</i> Millard (Upper-street, Islington)—(631)—							
Langham, S. F.—							
831 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	9	16	2			
<i>Re</i> Taylor (South Lambeth)—(632)—							
Taylor, R. S., Son and Humbert—							
832 Proportion of Rents of Nos. 138, 140 and 142, South Lambeth-road, and No. 2, Cottage- place, from Christmas, 1885, to 19th February, 1886 (less Tax)	...	20	3	-			
<i>Re</i> Jones (Upper-street, Islington)—(633)—							
Goldberg and Langdon—							
833 Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	9	16	4			
<i>Re</i> Hughes (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(634)—							
Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold in- terest in the "Atlas" Public-house, Green- street—							
834 New Westminster Brewery Co.	£144	15	9				
835 Hughes, Mrs. Emma	...	255	4	3			
					400	-	-
Baines, C., and Ball—							
836 Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	14	5	-			
<i>Re</i> Mercer (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(635)—							
Mercer, W.—							
837 Purchase-money for Leasehold in- terest in No. 53, Green-street	£300	-	-				
838 Trade compensation	...	680	-	-			
					980	-	-
Fuller and Fuller—							
839 Surveyors' Fee	...	18	18	-			
<i>Re</i> Burton (Bermondsey)—(636)—							
Hubbard, Son and Eve—							
840 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	12	2	2			
Carried forward	...	£3,138	2	8	5,997	15	3

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	3,138	2	8	5,997	15	3
<i>Re Chase (Bermondsey)—(637)—</i>								
	Chase, Thos.—							
841	Compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 6, Bermondsey-square	...	12	-	-			
<i>Re Naylor (Bermondsey)—(638)—</i>								
	Naylor, Henry—							
842	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in stable and yard in Pipe's-alley	...	100	-	-			
<i>Re Line (Walworth-road)—(639)—</i>								
	Stoneham and Son—							
843	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 92, Walworth-road	...	£250	-	-			
844	Trade compensation	...	650	-	-	900	-	-
	Hards, Vaughan and Jenkinson—							
845	Surveyors' Fee	...	17	17	-			
<i>Re Simmonds (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(640)—</i>								
	Simmonds, Geo. Albert, and Simmonds, Miss Clara—							
846	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 27, Green-street	...	£200	-	-			
847	Trade compensation	...	602	-	-	802	-	-
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
848	Surveyors' Fee	...	19	19	-			
<i>Re Bass (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(641)—</i>								
	Bass, George—							
849	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 57, Green-street	...	£100	-	-			
850	Trade compensation	...	600	-	-	700	-	-
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
851	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	17	17	-			
<i>Re Henderson (Little York-street, Bethnal-green)—(658)—</i>								
	Voss, R.—							
852	Professional services, as per Order of Committee		2	2	-			
						5,709	17	8
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re Richardson—(642)—</i>								
	Cooke, W. C.—							
298	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	11	5	10			
<i>Re Stone—(643 and 644)—</i>								
	Bell, Stewards and May—							
299	Costs of concurrence of Lord of the Manor in Conveyance and of enrolling Conveyance	...	5	15	6			
	Carried forward	...	£17	1	4	11,707	12	11

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	17	1	4	11,707	12	11
Field, Roscoe and Co.—								
300	Proportion of tenants' Rents of Nos. 51 to 53, High-street, and premises in Holly-bush-vale (less ground-rent of No. 51, High-street, and premises in Holly-bush-vale), from Christmas, 1885, to 17th February, 1886 (less Tax)	...	16	13	3			
<i>Re King—(645)---</i>								
	Phillips, J. and J.—							
301	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	...	17	5	-			
<i>Re Lovell—(659)---</i>								
	Lovell, Son and Pitfield—							
302	Further Costs of Title, &c.	...	6	6	-			
						57	5	7
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Ratcliff (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(646)---</i>								
	Ratcliff, T. W.—							
5684	Purchase-money for Freehold interest in No. 13, Blue Anchor-alley, and Copyhold interest in Nos. 8 to 10, Blue Anchor-alley, and Nos. 1 to 3, Hamlet-court, Ratcliff	...	500	-	-			
<i>Re Bray (Windmill-row)—(647)---</i>								
	Bray, T. S.—							
5685	Half-year's Rent in respect of Nos. 1 to 3, Windmill-row, and Nos. 3 to 6, Little Windmill-street, Lambeth, to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	...	11	2	4			
<i>Re Vicat (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(648)---</i>								
	Bank of England, for Chancery—							
5686	Purchase-money for Freehold interest in Nos. 40 and 42, Bere-street, Limehouse	...	360	-	-			
<i>Re Knight (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(649)---</i>								
	Costs of Title and Conveyance—							
5687	Courtenay, Croome and Co.	...	£19	19	4			
5688	Lockyer and Dinn	...	11	2	10			
			31	2	2			
<i>Re Howe (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(650)---</i>								
	Howe, Charles—							
5689	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 22, Butcher's-row	...	175	-	-			
	Blake and Dannatt—							
5690	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	7	7	-			
<i>Re Baker's Trustee (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(651)---</i>								
	Bank of England, for Chancery—							
5691	Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in vacant land in Hamlet-court, Nos. 9 to 11, Harris-court, and No. 52, Brook-street	...	1,290	-	-			
	Carried forward	...	£2,374	11	6	11,764	18	6

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	2,374	11	6	11,764	18	6
<i>Re</i> Billingsley (Tench-street)—(652)— Wright, Geo., and Slater, Samuel— 5692 Purchase-money for Fee-simple in No. 2, Lower Well-alley	166	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Herriott's Trustee (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(653 and 654)— Rogers, Miss Jane— 5693 Purchase-money for Freehold interest in Nos. 5 to 10, Lower East-street, and stable, and for interest in right-of-way over passage adjoining	415	-	-			
Marchant and Benwell— 5694 One-quarter's Rent in respect of above premises to Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	3	17	4			
<i>Re</i> Cooper (Windmill-row)—(655)— Cooper, G.— 5695 Compensation in respect of weekly tenancy in No. 9, Little Windmill-street	25	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Wells-street, Poplar, Scheme—(656)— Trollope and Winckworth— 5696 Arbitrator's Fee and expenses as certified by H.M. Secretary of State	16	3	-			
				3,000	11	10

Consolidated Loans Fund.

<i>Re</i> Nisbet (Charing-cross)—(657)— Frere, Forster and Co.— 1550 One-quarter's Rent of Nos. 33 and 35, Crown- street, and Nos. 7 to 12, Denmark-street, Soho, to Christmas, 1885, and interest from that date to 16th February, 1886 (less Tax)	23	2	-
	£14,788	12	4

Your Committee submit, for the information of the Board, an Account of sales by Messrs. Horne, Son and Eversfield of building materials and fixtures in Dudley-street and Oxford-street on 7th and 13th January, 1886—

Gross proceeds of Sales	£58	-	-
Commission, £7 10s. per cent.	4	7	-
Amount received by the Board, 17th February, 1886 ...	£53	13	-

Your Committee, in pursuance of the General Order of the Board of the 16th May, 1879 (No. 72), directing the Finance Committee to prepare and submit to the Works and General Purposes Committee from time to time the Estimates of the amounts required to be raised under the provisions of the Board's Money Acts, have received from the Finance Committee the Estimates prepared by your Accountant of the new borrowing powers required in connection with the Board's Money Bill for 1886. Your

Committee have given very careful consideration to the matter, and they recommend—

That the following Estimates and provisions be approved and inserted in the Bill—

	For Board's own purposes. £	To lend to other Bodies. £
1. Supplemental up to 31st December, 1886—		
Fire Brigade (including £900 to repay the Working Account an advance in 1885) ...	*11,000	
Bridges under Act of 1877 ...	10,000	
Bridges under Acts of 1881 and 1884 ...	8,000	
Bridges under Act of 1883 ...	13,000	
Main Drainage (including Precipitation Works)	165,000	
Thames River, Prevention of Floods ...	*4,000	
Artizans' Dwellings ...	*23,000	
Streets under Act of 1883 ...	84,000	
Various Powers Act of 1884 ...	72,000	
Loans to Vestries ...		100,000
Loans to Guardians ...		100,000
2. From date of New Money Act up to 31st December, 1887 (should the undermentioned Bill of the present Session become law)—		
Various Powers, 1886 ...	53,000	
3. For 1887—		
Fire Brigade ...	*35,000	
Parks, Commons and Open Spaces ...	15,000	
Bridges under Act of 1877 ...	19,000	
Bridges under Acts of 1881 and 1884 ...	99,000	
Bridges under Act of 1883 (including freeing East and West Ferry Roads) ...	10,000	
Main Drainage (including Precipitation Works)	349,000	
Thames River, Prevention of Floods ...	*2,000	
Artizans' Dwellings ...	*28,000	
Streets under Act of 1877 ...	*40,000	
Streets under Act of 1883 (including freeing Footbridges over Canal) ...	61,000	
Minor Improvements and Contributions to Local Improvements (including Improvements sanctioned by Parliament, for which no provision is elsewhere made in this Act) ...	100,000	
Various Powers Act of 1884 ...	32,000	
Various Powers Act of 1885 ...	221,000	
Loans—Vestries and District Boards ...		200,000
„ Guardians ...		200,000
„ Managers of Metropolitan Asylum District ...		50,000
„ School Board for London ...		300,000
„ Other Public Bodies ...		100,000
TOTALS ...	1,454,000	1,050,000
DEDUCT—Borrowing power re-granted ...	842,871	315,518
	611,129	734,482
NEW BORROWING POWER ...	1,345,611	
4. For 1887—General power is required to raise Stock, if necessary, to pay Stamp-duty and other charges incidental to the creation of Stock (<i>vide</i> 38 and 39 Vic. c. 65, sec. 8).		

* Or such further sum as the Treasury may approve.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Memorial, referred by the Board on the 12th ultimo (No. 2), from inhabitants of the Eastern portions of the Metropolis, praying the Board to take early measures to permit the embankment of the Northern Outfall Sewer to be used as a footpath and promenade.

Your Committee have also had before them the Letter from Lord Brabazon, Chairman of the Metropolitan Public Garden, &c., Association, and the several other Memorials and communications, which have been addressed to the Board on the same subject. The question, as the Board are aware, has been under consideration upon one or two previous occasions, more particularly with reference to an application on behalf of the workmen employed by the Gas Light and Coke Company at Beckton that they might be permitted to pass along the embankment in going to and from their work. This request the Board, after careful deliberation, did not feel justified in acceding to. Your Committee, in considering the present Memorial, have had before them a Plan and Sections, prepared by your Engineer, under their instructions, showing the whole length of the embankment and its immediate surroundings. From this Plan and the information which has been laid before your Committee, they find that the Northern Outfall Sewer between Wick-lane and the Barking Outfall is 5 miles in length; that from Wick-lane to the North Woolwich Branch of the Great Eastern Railway, a length of about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles, it passes through a densely peopled neighbourhood, crosses several Railways, one being on the level, and also passes over the River Lee and its tributaries. It passes through the Board's Abbey-mills Pumping Station, and is surrounded, up to that point, by chemical, dye, tar, paraffin, and other noxious works. From the Great Eastern Railway to the Barking-road, the next mile, it passes over the Tilbury and Southend Railway, and through Plaistow near its crossing under the Barking-road. For the remaining $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, from the Barking-road to the Barking Outfall, it passes through marshes at a considerable distance from any populous places, with the Barking-road on the North and the road from Canning-town to the Beckton Gas works on the South, running in nearly the same direction, each at an average distance of $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile from the Sewer. These two roads are very little built upon, and your Committee are informed by your Engineer that they afford, probably, a better and safer play-ground for children than the Outfall Sewer. The South side of the Sewer, from East Ham-lane to the Outlet, is occupied by the Beckton Gas and Chemical works. Your Engineer has stated to your Committee that in order to render the embankment a safe promenade and playground for children, it would be necessary to fence the top of it on both sides, to protect its slopes and the land of adjoining landowners, and that he estimates the cost of that and the requisite works for the formation of the road-way at upwards of £30,000, exclusive of the annual cost of lighting, maintenance, and police supervision. The top of the embankment is about 40 feet wide, and the space between the fencing would, your Engineer reports, be about 30 feet. In addition to the foregoing particulars, your Committee learn that there are 138 sewer ventilators along the centre of the road-way. Having regard to all the circumstances your Committee, whilst they feel assured that the Board have every desire to assist in adding as far as practicable to the number of the spaces which can be utilised for the health and recreation of the people, are convinced that the Sewer embankment, which is the subject of this Report, is quite unsuitable for such a purpose, and they recommend—

That a reply to that effect be addressed to the several Memorialists.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 29), from Lord Charles Bruce, transmitting a copy of Resolutions passed by the Committee of the Mansion House Relief Fund for the unemployed, to the effect that the Committee would be prepared, provided that the works were commenced within three weeks, to vote £5,000 towards the conversion of the Northern Main Drainage embankment into a public boulevard, the formation of a recreation ground on the site of the Isle of Dogs, recommended by Mr. Bryce, M.P., and the laying out of a public garden at Fulham, on the site offered by the late Bishop of London. Your Committee recommend—

That Lord Charles Bruce be informed to the effect of the preceding recommendation, and that as regards the suggested recreation ground and public garden, the Board are not in

possession of any land in the Isle of Dogs or at Fulham which could be devoted to that purpose.

Your Committee have considered the Letter referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 13) from Mr. W. M. Acworth, on behalf of the Camberwell Committee of the Mansion House Fund, urging the Board to put in hand at once their projected works in connection with the proposed Park at Dulwich, and the improvements on Peckham-rye-common. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Acworth be informed, in reply, that the Board will expedite their operations in those places as much as possible.

Your Committee have further to recommend—

That a similar reply be sent to the Letter from Mr. W. H. C. Brunlees, enquiring, as a member of the Sub-Committee for Camberwell of the Mansion House Relief Fund, whether the Board cannot at once commence the works attending the laying out of the proposed new Park at Dulwich.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 18th December last (No. 42), from the Vestry of Rotherhithe, expressing regret at the decision of the Board which regards the suggested Improvement by setting back the buildings at the junction of Union-road and Deptford Lower-road as one of a local character, and asking the Board to re-consider their determination, and accede to the request of the Vestry to treat the work as a Metropolitan Improvement. In compliance with the reference made to them your Committee have again given their best attention to the matter, and recommend—

That the Vestry be informed that the Board are unable to depart from their previous decision.

Your Committee have considered the Notice, referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 38), from the West Middlesex Waterworks Company, of their intention to extend the system of constant supply of Water to a further portion of the District supplied by them in the Parish of St. Pancras. The supply is proposed to be given on and after the 1st July next in the part of the Parish North of Edward-street and Cumberland-market, East of Albany-street, &c., and West of Hampstead-road, as described in the Notice. Upon the several previous similar Notices received from the West Middlesex and the other Water Companies, the Board have decided, upon the recommendation of your Committee, to offer no objection to the proposals, and your Committee see no reason to recommend the Board to adopt a different course with regard to the present Notice.

Your Committee have considered the references made to them by the Board on the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 6), the 9th November, 1883 (No. 10), and 13th November, 1885 (No. 9), as to the Improvement effected by the Vestry of St. Pancras at Mabledon-place, Euston-road, and the amount of the Board's contribution to the cost. The Board, on the 10th February, 1882 (No. 6), agreed to contribute one-half of the net cost, not exceeding £2,375, of widening the Northern entrance to Mabledon-place, and the road-way on the Eastern side of Burton-crescent. Your Finance Committee, on that day, reported that the works at Mabledon-place had been completed, but from a Letter received from the Vestry it appeared that, owing to difficulties which had arisen as to the widening of Burton-crescent, they had abandoned their intention of carrying out that part of the work. As by the Board's Resolution the contribution was only payable on the completion of the works in respect of both sections of the Improvement, it was necessary that the Board should decide what proportion of the amount should be paid in respect of the Mabledon-place Improvement; and your Committee were instructed to consider that. The matter has been before your Committee on several occasions, and they have ascertained that the amount paid for the acquisition of land for the Improvement has been £3,130 12s. 1d., and they are of opinion that the Board's contribution should be limited to one-half of that amount, viz., £1,565 6s. They beg to recommend in accordance with that view.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 19th ultimo (No. 29), from Mrs. C. Desgratoulet, asking the Board, for the reasons stated therein, to re-consider her claim for compensation for alleged loss consequent on the occasional flooding of the basements of her houses, Nos. 162, 164, 166, 168 and 170, Tachbrook-street, Pimlico; and expressing regret that a manhole should have been made opposite No. 170 in that street. Having carefully considered the matter and conferred with your Engineer, your Committee are unable to advise the Board to depart from their previous decision, declining to admit liability in the matter, and they recommend—

That a reply be addressed to Mrs. Desgratoulet accordingly.

With respect to the manhole lately constructed opposite No. 170, Tachbrook-street, your Committee find that it has been provided, under the Resolution of the Board of the 18th December last (No. 17), for the purpose of affording additional safety to the men who have to work in the Sewer in which the waters at times rise very rapidly, and also to enable them to attend to the several drains and flaps connected with it. Its position was selected owing to the extreme difficulty of finding any other suitable one in consequence of the vaults being in the way, and your Engineer reports that it will not be very frequently used, and that care will be taken to prevent any nuisance arising from it.

Your Solicitor has laid before your Committee correspondence relating to a mortgage of the retention-money now in the hands of the Board in connection with Messrs. Kellett and Bentley's Contract for the Lee and Eltham Sewer. The effect of the correspondence is an application by the Mortgagee that the Board will either invest it in the Board's Three per cent. Stock, or place it upon deposit at interest with their Bankers. Your Committee have conferred with your Solicitor, and they beg to recommend—

That the retention-money, amounting to £3,200, be, at the election of the Mortgagee, deposited at the London and Westminster Bank, or invested in Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, in the name of the Chairman of the Board, subject to a proper memorandum being prepared by the Solicitor for the signature of the necessary parties.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 29th January last (No. 15), from the Wandsworth District Board, applying under Section 72 of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1862, for a contribution towards the cost of embanking the towing-path above Putney Bridge. The proposition of forming the embankment in question arose out of the provisions of the Thames Floods Prevention Act, and the facts of the case were, it may be remembered, very fully reported to the Board by the Bridges Committee on the above date. There is no doubt that the Improvement will be of a highly useful character, and your Committee, having received Reports from your Officers, recommend—

That the Board do contribute, on the usual conditions, one-half of the cost estimated at £2,700, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £1,350.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. M^cGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ,
P. W. FUNNELL,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
GEO. EDWARDS,
GEO. HILL,
W^m. SHEPHERD.

The Account of sales of building materials in Dudley-street and Oxford-street, submitted with the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the following estimates and provisions be approved and be inserted in the Board's Money Bill, 1886—

	For Board's own purposes. £	To lend to other Bodies. £
1. Supplemental up to 31st December, 1886—		
Fire Brigade (including £900 to repay the Working Account an advance in 1885) ...	*11,000	
Bridges under Act of 1877 ...	10,000	
Bridges under Acts of 1881 and 1884 ...	8,000	
Bridges under Act of 1883 ...	13,000	
Main Drainage (including Precipitation Works) ...	165,000	
Thames River, Prevention of Floods ...	*4,000	
Artizans' Dwellings ...	*23,000	
Streets under Act of 1883 ...	84,000	
Various Powers Act of 1884 ...	72,000	
Loans to Vestries ...		100,000
Loans to Guardians ...		100,000
2. From date of new Money Act up to 31st December, 1887 (should the undermentioned Bill of the present Session become law)—		
Various Powers, 1886 ...	53,000	
3. For 1887—		
Fire Brigade ...	*35,000	
Parks, Commons and Open Spaces ...	15,000	
Bridges under Act of 1877 ...	19,000	
Bridges under Acts of 1881 and 1884 ...	99,000	
Bridges under Act of 1883 (including freeing East and West Ferry Roads) ...	10,000	
Main Drainage (including Precipitation Works) ...	349,000	
Thames River, Prevention of Floods ...	*2,000	
Artizans' Dwellings ...	*28,000	
Streets under Act of 1877 ...	*40,000	
Streets under Act of 1883 (including freeing Footbridges over Canal) ...	61,000	
Minor Improvements and Contributions to Local Improvements (including Improvements sanctioned by Parliament, for which no provision is elsewhere made in this Act) ...	100,000	
Various Powers Act of 1884 ...	32,000	
Various Powers Act of 1885 ...	221,000	
Loans—Vestries and District Boards ...		200,000
„ Guardians ...		200,000
„ Managers of Metropolitan Asylum District ...		50,000
„ School Board for London ...		300,000
„ Other Public Bodies ...		100,000
TOTALS ...	1,454,000	1,050,000
DEDUCT—Borrowing power re-granted ...	842,871	315,518
	611,129	734,482
New Borrowing Power ...	£1,345,611	

* Or such further sum as the Treasury may approve.

4. For 1887—General power is required to raise Stock, if necessary, to pay Stamp Duty and other charges incidental to the creation of Stock (*vide* 38 and 39 Vic., c. 65, sec. 8).

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That it be referred to the Parliamentary Committee to prepare the Board's Money Bill for 1886.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial recently presented to the Board from inhabitants of the Eastern portions of the Metropolis, requesting the Board to take early measures to permit the Northern Outfall Sewer embankment to be used as a footpath and promenade, and on the several previous Memorials and communications addressed to the Board on the same subject, be approved; and that the Memorialists be informed that, in the opinion of the Board, the embankment is unsuitable for the purposes suggested, and that the carrying out of the proposal would, moreover, involve a very considerable cost.

An amendment thereon was **moved** by Mr. Cook, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Lenanton—That, considering the great public benefit which the formation of a promenade on the top of the Main Drainage embankment would confer upon the inhabitants of the neighbourhood, the Board is willing to pay one-half of the cost of the works necessary to render it fit for the public use, upon condition that the local authorities through whose districts the embankment passes, are willing to contribute the remaining half, and, upon the embankment being thrown open to the public, to pay for the lighting, cleansing, and police which will be necessary.

After discussion, the **motion** was put to the vote, when there were for it 19, against it 23, and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—22.

Brown, G., Esq.	Middlemass, A., Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Phillips, G., Esq.
Cox, F., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Edwards, G., Esq.	
Ewin, A., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser,
Fairclough, T. M., Esq.	
	Runtz, J., Esq.
Fardell, T. G., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq., Deputy.
Freeman, R., Esq.	
Harris, C., Esq.	Tolhurst, J., Esq.
Jolly, J. R., Esq.	Urquhart, W., Esq.
Jones, J., Esq.	Williams, T. W., Esq.
Lenanton, J., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Cook, M.P.

Against the Amendment—22.

Bonthron, J., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Boucher, W., Esq.	Mossop, C., Esq.
Bradfield, J. E., Esq.	Munro, Lieut.-Colonel.
Egerton, Hon. A.	
de Tatton, M.P.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Fowler, Sir R. N., Bart., Ald., M.P.	Robson, W., Esq.
	Selway, W. R., Esq.
Funnell, P. W., Esq.	Shepherd, W., Esq.
Furniss, R., Esq.	Webster, R. G., Esq.
Garrett, W. B., Esq.	
Hewitt, W. H., Esq.	Weir, B., Esq.
Hill, G., Esq.	Wetenhall, W. J., Esq.
Jones, R., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Fowler.

A further amendment was then **moved** by Mr. Runtz, and seconded by Mr. Freeman—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 24, against it 18, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Lord Charles Bruce, transmitting a copy of Resolutions passed by the Committee of the Mansion House Relief Fund for the unemployed, to the effect that the Committee would be prepared, provided the works were commenced within three weeks, to vote £5,000 towards the conversion of the Northern Main Drainage embankment into a public boulevard, the formation of a recreation-

ground on the site of the Isle of Dogs, recommended by Mr. Bryce, M.P., and the laying out of a public garden at Fulham, on the site offered by the late Bishop of London, be approved, and that Lord Charles Bruce be informed that, as regards the suggested recreation-ground and public garden, the Board are not in possession of any land in the Isle of Dogs or at Fulham which could be devoted to that purpose.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. W. M. Acworth be informed, in reply to his Letter, on behalf of the Camberwell Committee of the Mansion House Fund, urging the Board to put in hand at once their projected works in connection with the proposed Park at Dulwich, and the improvements on Peckham-rye-common, that the Board will expedite their operations in those places as much as possible ; and that a similar reply be sent to the Letter from Mr. W. H. C. Brunlees, enquiring, as a member of the same Committee, whether the Board cannot at once commence the works attending the laying out of the proposed Park at Dulwich.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the Vestry of Rotherhithe be informed, in reply to their Letter renewing their application that the Board would carry out as a Metropolitan Improvement the setting back of the buildings at the junction of Union-road and Deptford Lower-road, that the Board are unable to depart from their previous decision in the matter, declining to regard the work as a Metropolitan Improvement.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Tolhurst, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That, as the object of the Vestry of Rotherhithe in asking the Board to widen Union-road by setting back the “ Royal Oak ” Public-house, &c., is that the Improvement already made by the Board in that locality may be rendered more perfect, the question of effecting the further Improvement desired be referred back to the Committee, with a view to the requisite powers for the purpose being included in any Bill that may be promoted by the Board in the next Session of Parliament.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 13, against it 20 ; and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried ; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do not dissent from the proposal of the West Middlesex Waterworks Company, to extend the system of constant supply of Water to a further portion of the District supplied by them in the Parish of St. Pancras.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Improvement effected by the Vestry of St. Pancras at Mabledon-place, Euston-road, be approved, and that the Board’s contribution be limited to one moiety of £3,130 12s. 1d., being the amount paid for the acquisition of the land, and that the Vestry be informed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mrs. C. Desgratoulet, renewing her application for compensation for alleged loss consequent on the occasional flooding of the basements of her houses, Nos. 162, 164, 166, 168, and 170, Tachbrook-street, Pimlico, be approved, and that a reply in accordance with the Report be sent to Mrs. Desgratoulet.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the retention money, amounting to £3,200, now in the hands of the Board in respect of Messrs. Kellett and Bentley’s Contract for the Lee and Eltham Sewer be, at the election of the Mortgagee, deposited at the London and Westminster Bank, or invested in Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, in the name of the Chairman of the Board, subject to a proper memorandum being prepared by the Solicitor for the signature of the necessary parties.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Meaden, and *resolved*—That the Board do contribute, on the usual conditions, one-half of the cost, estimated at £2,700, proposed

to be incurred by the Wandsworth District Board in embanking the towing-path above Putney Bridge, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £1,350.

12. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 2nd March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that a Barge is required for the storage of Coal and Coke for the use of the floating Fire-engines on the River. Originally the Board placed at the disposal of the Fire Brigade for that purpose the Pontoon in a recess of the Embankment, adjacent to the Charing-cross Railway Bridge, but in the year 1874 the Pontoon was removed to make way for a floating Swimming-bath, the Board having granted the use of the site to the Floating Swimming-bath Company, on condition that the Company provided a Barge for the Fire Brigade in substitution for the Pontoon. The Pontoon, it may be mentioned is now at Woolwich, and is let to the River Thames Steamboat Company, which pays a rent of £40 a year for it. So long as the Swimming-bath remained on the site granted by the Board, the Company maintained the Barge for the use of the Brigade according to the Agreement. Last year, however, the Company failed, and its affairs went into liquidation, and as the South-Eastern Railway Company was then beginning the work of widening the Railway Bridge over the Thames, and the Swimming-bath structure was in the way, the Railway Company bought the structure and removed it. The Board's License to the Swimming-bath Company, and the condition above referred to on which the License was granted have, therefore, since the removal of the Barge last August, been at an end, and the Board has now to pay for the use of a Barge since that date at the rate of £8 6s. 8d. a month. This amounts to £100 a year, and, as it is probable that it will for a long time to come be necessary to have a Barge moored in the River for the storage of the Coal and Coke required for the Floating-engines, your Committee are of opinion that it will be better for the Board to have an iron Barge made for the purpose. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That they be authorised to have one made, and that, as the Barge will be an addition to the plant of the Fire Brigade, the cost of it be charged to the Capital Account.

The Chief Officer has reported that one of the Steam Fire-engines, No. 66, which was made for the Board in 1874, by Messrs. Shand, Mason and Co. at a cost of £400, is now in need of extensive repairs. As the sum of £379 2s. 3d. has already been spent in repairing the Engine from time to time, and, as the large further expenditure which would now be necessary would, according to the Chief Officer, only result in making the Engine good for work for about another year, it appears to your Committee that a new Engine should at once be obtained, and the old one given up to the makers in part payment. They recommend—

That they be authorised to obtain a new Engine accordingly.

The Chief Officer has reported that Engineer T. K. Langhelt has expressed his wish to retire from the Brigade. As Langhelt is 55 years of age, and has completed 31 years' service, he is entitled under the Board's Regulations to retire with the maximum Pension of his rank, namely, £2 1s. 10d. a week. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That he be allowed to retire with a Pension of that amount.

Henry Moore, a Fourth-class Fireman who joined the Brigade in January last, is reported by the Chief Officer to have been on the sick list since the 18th of that month, 11 days after he joined, with an ulcerated leg. For nearly three weeks past he has been in Guy's Hospital, and, as he is progressing but slowly towards recovery, there seems reason to think that he is in a bad state of health, and not strong enough for the work of the Brigade. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That he be discharged.

Your Committee have to report that Fourth-class Fireman, Joseph W. Reeves has

withdrawn from the service, and that his name has accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to submit the following recommendations—

That the following promotions be made—First-class Fireman James Knight to the rank of an Engineer ; Second-class Fireman Charles West to the First Class ; Third-class Fireman William Hampton to the Second Class ; and Fourth-class Fireman Frederick E. Matson to the Third Class.

That John T. Payne be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to report for the Board's information that some repairs and other works being necessary at the Portland-road Station, they have arranged for the work to be done by Mr. J. W. Dixon for the sum of £156.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) GEO. HILL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
W. J. WETENHALL,
W. R. SELWAY,
ROBT. JONES.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Committee be authorised to obtain a suitable Barge, to be moored in the River as a place of storage of Coal and Coke for the use of the Floating-engines, and that, as the Barge will be an addition to the plant of the Fire Brigade, the cost be charged to Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Committee be authorised to obtain a new Steam Fire-engine in place of an old one, on which it is not deemed desirable to spend more money in repairs.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Engineer T. K. Langhelt be allowed to retire on the Pension to which he is entitled under the Board's Regulations, viz., £2 1s. 10d. a week.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That H. Moore, Fourth-class Fireman, be discharged.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following promotions be made, viz.—First-class Fireman James Knight to the rank of an Engineer ; Second-class Fireman Charles West to the First Class ; Third-class Fireman William Hampton to the Second Class ; and Fourth-class Fireman Frederick E. Matson to the Third Class.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That John T. Payne be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

13. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 2nd March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report their proceedings under the Resolution of the Board of the 27th November last (No. 8), authorising them to confer through their Sub-Committee with the Owner of the Hope Music-hall, No. 63, Banner-street, St. Luke's, upon the Six Requisitions contained in the Board's draft Notice with respect to the structural defects of the building. The Owner has not submitted any written observations upon the Board's requirements ; but he has attended your Committee and produced a Drawing showing the premises as they are at present, and as proposed to be altered and enlarged, by adding an existing space between the Public-house and the Music-hall to the area of the latter. Your Committee see no objection to the proposal ; but it appears desirable that the means of communication between the

Music-hall and the Public-house should be limited to one door-way fitted with a self-closing iron door. It will be necessary to add to the Notice certain Requisitions for giving effect to those arrangements, and your Committee are [therefore of opinion that a revised Notice, containing the following Requisitions, should be served upon the Owner of the Hall—

1.—That a new brick wall 9 inches thick, without openings, be built to form an entrance lobby to the Hall, and that such wall be carried down to the footings of the basement; that such entrance lobby be 5 feet wide in the narrowest part, and that the floor and roof of such entrance lobby be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

2.—That the Western door-way, between the Hall and the Public-house bar, be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

3.—That the door-way between the Music-hall and the bar parlour of the Public-house be closed by a wrought-iron door not less than one-fourth of an inch thick in the panel, in a wrought-iron frame, hung so as to close of itself.

4.—That the brick wall on the North side of the Hall be removed, and that the space between the site of such wall and the back wall of the Public-house be added to the Hall.

5.—That the fire-place be protected by an iron wire-guard fixed in front of such fire-place.

6.—That the windows in the West wall of the premises adjoining the Music-hall to the Eastward be protected by wrought-iron hoppers placed at an angle of 60° with the horizon, and extending in front of the whole area of such windows.

7.—That the skylight and vertical sashes of the lantern-light in the roof be protected by galvanised iron wire-guards fixed on the outside of such skylight and sashes.

8.—That the skylight over the lobbies and lavatories on the North side of the Hall be protected in a similar manner.

9.—That all door-ways used by the public be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards towards the street.

And they recommend—

That a Notice, embodying the above requirements and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

Your Committee have also to report that they have had before them an application from Mr. F. Matcham, for approval by the Board of certain alterations to the Greenwich Theatre. It is proposed to enlarge the stage of the Theatre by the removal of the dressing-rooms to a site at the rear of the house, No. 73, Nelson-street, to provide a new stage entrance through the ground floor of that house, and to add to the Theatre a portion of the first floor of the same house, for the purpose of forming a Manager's room. Your Committee pointed out to the applicant certain particulars in which it appeared desirable to amend the Drawing originally submitted, and accordingly on the 5th ultimo he sent in two further Drawings, which were satisfactory in all respects except the construction of the manager's room. Your Committee intimated to Mr. Matcham the necessity for effectually separating that room from the rest of the house, and that view was adopted in a further Drawing submitted on the 19th ultimo. Your Committee now recommend—

That the consent of the Board be given to certain proposed alterations to the Greenwich Theatre, in accordance with the Drawings submitted by Mr. F. Matcham on the 5th February 1886, as modified by the further Drawing submitted on the 19th of the same month.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the question of the further steps it is desirable to take with respect to Portland Hall, formerly the Portland Bazaar, in Langham-place, Regent-street. The Board, on the 22nd January last (No. 8), instructed their Solicitor to take proceedings against the Owner for keeping the building open as a place of public entertainment without having obtained their Certificate, and on the 18th ultimo the defendant was convicted by the Magistrate at the Marlborough-street Police-court, and ordered to pay a penalty of £40 and £10 costs. The Solicitor to the Owner has since stated that the utmost diligence will be exercised in giving effect to any directions of the Board with reference to the structural defects of the building, but that his client has no power to close the Hall, which is not in his possession. The formal application of Mr. C. J. Phipps for the Board's Certificate, which was referred to your Committee on the 29th January last (No. 49), appears from the accompanying Drawings to include the existing Hall and a proposed addition thereto on the North side, abutting upon Riding House-street. Your Committee are of opinion, however, that the Certificate should be restricted to the existing building, and as this is now in daily use for the entertainment known as "India in London," it is extremely important, in the interest of the public safety, that its structural defects should be immediately remedied as a preliminary to the issue of the Board's Certificate. Having considered the Reports of your Superintending Architect upon the subject, your Committee have drawn up a series of Requisitions to effect the object, and they beg to recommend—

That the Owner of the Portland Hall, in Langham-place, Regent-street, be informed that the Board require the following alterations to be made for remedying the structural defects of the existing building before their Certificate can be granted in respect thereof under the Act of 1878, and that the Board make the requirements without prejudice to their right to proceed against him for further penalties for keeping open the building without such Certificate, in the event of the works not being carried out with the utmost diligence—

- 1.—That the wooden partitions enclosing the rooms on the South side of the entrance vestibule, leading out of Langham-place, be removed.
- 2.—That the Northernmost brick pier at the Eastern end of such vestibule be removed, and that so much of the wall over as is at present carried on such pier be supported on a wrought-iron girder, embedded in concrete or other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.
- 3.—That the whole of the floor of the gallery, together with the staircase leading to the same, be removed; or, as an alternative, that the floor of the gallery be re-constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and that such gallery be made of a width not exceeding 10 feet on the North and South sides and 18 feet at the Western end.
- 4.—That, in the event of the present gallery being retained, the two staircases leading to the gallery be removed and be re-placed by two new staircases; that such new staircases do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than twelve steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircases be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircases do have a roof formed of brick arches 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.
- 5.—That the handrail to the front of the gallery be properly stayed to the satisfaction of the Board.
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- 7.—That an iron door be fixed in the door-way in the proscenium wall on the North side

of the proscenium opening, not less than one-fourth of an inch thick in the panel, in a wrought iron frame, hung so as to close of itself.

- 8.—That the proscenium wall be carried up to a height of 3 feet above the roof and the lantern light to which it adjoins.
- 9.—That an additional Hydrant be provided in the auditorium, in a position to be approved by the Board; that such Hydrant be connected with the Water Company's high-pressure main by 3-inch pipes, and be furnished with two 40-feet lengths of hose, with fittings of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade pattern.
- 10.—That the gas-meter at the rear of the stage be removed, and be re-fixed in a properly ventilated brick chamber, in a position to be approved by the Board.
- 11.—That the open yard on the North side of the Hall be paved with York stone paving $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches thick, on a bed of brick rubbish 6 inches thick, and that the door-ways at the Western end of such yard, leading into Riding House-street, be made to open outwards.
- 12.—That the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards towards the street.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. Wells, for approval by the Board of the retention of a temporary Theatre of Varieties in Bow-common-lane, Bromley-by-Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 22nd January last (No. 66). The structure, which has been erected, is about 60 feet long, 33 feet wide, and about 12 feet high to the plate, and will seat about 400 persons. It is enclosed at the sides to a height of about 9 feet with wood shutters, fastened together with wood ledges. The roof and the upper part of the sides of the building are constructed of canvas. The applicant has not complied with the request of your Committee to be furnished with proper Drawings of the building. It appears, however, that it is similar to one put up in Bromley in 1883, in respect of which proceedings were taken before the Magistrate at the Thames Police-court, who made an Order for its removal. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted, and that the Solicitor be instructed to take such proceedings to obtain the removal of the building as he may consider advisable.

Your Committee have also had before them an application of Mr. J. Johnston, on behalf of Mr. W. Newholm, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Act of 1878, in respect of the construction of a Music-hall at the rear of the "Old Pied Bull" Public-house, No. 188, Holloway-road, Islington. The proposed Music-hall will be 93 feet long, 33 feet wide at the widest part, and 19 feet wide at the narrowest part, and will accommodate 423 persons. There will be a stage 10 feet deep at the Eastern end of the Hall, with two dressing-rooms at the rear; and at the Western end of the Hall there will be a gallery, about 30 feet wide and 19 feet deep, approached by an external staircase. The approach to the Hall will be by a passage-way leading out of Holloway-road, and extending under the upper floors of the Public-house. The original Drawing submitted by the applicant was unsatisfactory, and your Committee suggested to him, under twelve heads, the alterations which appeared desirable in the interest of the public safety. Those suggestions had reference to the improvement of certain walls, doors and staircases, the effectual separation of the Music-hall from the Public-house, the provision of hydrants, and the making of certain parts of the building fire-resisting. The suggestions have all been embodied in an amended Drawing submitted by the applicant, which may, in the opinion of your Committee, receive the approval of the Board. They therefore recommend—

That the application be granted, and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the building, in accordance with the Drawing submitted by the applicant, and dated 17th February, 1886.

Your Committee have also carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Baring Music-hall, No. 53, Baring-street, New North-road, Shoreditch, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the

Act of 1878. The Hall in question is a small Music-hall on the first floor of a Public-house. It is about 42 feet long, by a width varying from 13 feet 6 inches to 16 feet 6 inches, and will accommodate about 160 persons. The entrance is in Baring-street, by a door-way 4 feet 8 inches wide, through the bar of the Public-house. The staircase to the Hall is only 3 feet wide, and has winders and an open well-hole. The staircase also serves as a means of access to the bed-rooms on the second floor of the Public-house, which extend over the Concert Hall. Your Committee, having considered the Report and Drawings prepared by your Superintending Architect, are of opinion that the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That a new staircase be constructed to the Hall, at the North-East angle of the premises, on the site of the open yard next Baring-street, with a lobby and a door-way at the foot of such staircase, opening directly into the street; that such staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches 9 inches deep, in two rims turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

2.—That the door-way in the East wall of the Hall leading to the present staircase be stopped up with brick work, 9 inches thick.

3.—That the floor of the Hall be rendered fire-resisting, in a manner to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

4.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be rendered fire-resisting in a similar manner to the floor described in Requisition No. 3.

5.—That the windows of the Hall be protected by wrought-iron guard bars to a height of 6 feet from the floor.

6.—That the fire-place at the Southern end of the room be protected by a wire guard fixed in front of such fire-place.

7.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase.

8.—That the door-ways to the staircase be made 4 feet 6 inches wide, and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

And they therefore recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Messrs. Baker and Sons, relative to the ownership of certain land required for access to roads, proposed to be formed by them, out of Fortune-green-lane, Hampstead, and conditionally approved by the Board on the 22nd January last (No. 8), referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 51). The Board granted their approval of the formation of the roads, upon condition that the applicants should satisfy the Solicitor as to their ownership of the land required for access to Hillfield-road and Child's-hill. Your Solicitor now reports that he has examined the Owner's title-deeds, and ascertained that the land necessary for making

the roads is vested in Mr. F. Rugg Lloyd, and that the consent of the Board may properly be given to the application. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the formal consent of the Board be now issued.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. C. Kynoch and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the North side of High-street, Clapham, referred by the Board on the 22nd January last (No. 61). Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Solicitor, from which it appears that the whole of the land required for the formation of the road is in the possession of Bowyer's Trustees. There is a barrier at one end of the proposed road, and a wall in Station-road which is not shown upon the Plan forwarded by the applicants. Your Committee, under these circumstances, recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. E. Marsland, District Surveyor, asking the Board to afford him legal assistance in relation to proceedings taken by him with reference to the erection of houses by the Artizans', Labourers' and General Dwellings Company, in Harrow-road, with insufficient spaces at the rear thereof, referred by the Board on the 15th January last (No. 56). Your Committee have also had before them a Report by your Superintending Architect on an amended application, dated the 26th ultimo, from the Company, for the erection of houses in the locality, with insufficient space at the rear. All the rooms in the buildings are lighted from the Harrow-road, but the yards at the rear have less than the statutory area. The amended Plan shows that it is the intention to use the ground-floor as shops, and to build over the yards at the rear to the height of one storey, for the purpose of forming shop parlour and sculleries, &c. It is proposed to light the additions from the Canal. Your Superintending Architect states that in his opinion the space at the rear has not been reduced in size, but that the only departure from the approved Plan consists in building over the space at the rear to the level of the ground floor ceiling, and in utilising the ground floor entirely, instead of partially, for shop purposes. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the applicants do satisfy the Solicitor of the Board as to their rights of easement over the Canal, and that the whole of the work be carried out to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have also considered the amended application of Mr. A. C. Bean, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Thornton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of new roads, and the widening of two roads, to lead out of Dawes-lane, Fulham, referred by the Board 12th ultimo (No. 57). All the roads are 40 feet wide and form a direct communication with existing roads, with the exception of the two thoroughfares in continuation of Tournay and Shorrold's Roads, which are continued up to the Eastern boundary of the applicant's Estate. These, however, will probably give a direct communication with existing roads whenever Lynn-road is formed. Your Committee recommend—

That the amended application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Gironde-road, S.W.," "Hartismere-road, S.W.," "Fabian-road, S.W.," "Mirabel-road, S.W.," "Tournay-road, S.W." (in continuation), and "Shorrold's-road, S.W." (in continuation), be approved for the same.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 66), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. W. H. Wood, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a studio of wood, and covered externally with Willesden paper, at the rear of No. 8, Claude-villas, Grove-vale, Camberwell. The studio measures 20 feet by 12 feet, and 9 feet in height to the eaves, and is constructed entirely of woodwork, upon a brick and concrete foundation, with an external covering, for the greater part, of Willesden paper. Your Committee, having heard explanations from the parties interested, recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of Two years, from the 5th instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the

Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. H. Branch, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops on the South-East side of St. John's-hill, Wandsworth, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 5th ultimo (No. 61). The Board, in December last, declined to approve of the erection of buildings upon part of the land. It is now proposed to extend the frontage line Eastward as far as the premises of Messrs. Stevens. Your Committee have received explanations from the parties, who, at their request, submitted an amended Plan, signed by all the applicants in respect of the general line of frontage. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 5th instant; that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the spaces separating the proposed buildings from the public way be given up to form part of such public way, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the Notice from Mr. G. Cockayne, of his intention to form a road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying such Notice, to lead out of High-street, Putney, and to apply the name "Norroy-road, S.W.," to the same, referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 53). Your Committee are of opinion that a formal application should be submitted by Mr. Cockayne, and they have instructed your Superintending Architect to inform him accordingly. As regards the Notice which is the subject of the present reference, your Committee recommend—

That the Plan be not approved.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. E. Swansborough, on behalf of Mr. T. B. Roupell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of eight houses on the South-West side of Victoria-road, Charlton, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 44). The eight houses will be semi-detached villas, and the building line is to be set back 20 feet from the public way. There are some old houses on the same side of the road, which have been erected 32 feet from the public way. Your Committee concur with your Superintending Architect in thinking that the Plan may be approved, and they recommend—

That the application, be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 5th instant, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have also had before them the application of Mr. A. Thorn, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of an extension of Elm-park-mews, Callow-street, Fulham-road, approved by the Board on the 30th July, 1875 (No. 9), and for permission to re-name the said Mews "Henniker-mews," referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 54). The Mews has not yet been formed, and the applicant desires to make the Northern outlet about 100 feet nearer Fulham-road. There is already upon the Estate a mews called "Elm-park-gardens-mews;" and the alteration of name is desired in order to prevent confusion. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the mews, and that the proposed alteration in the name for the same be approved.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. W. Chapman, on behalf of Mr. H. T. Webster, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a wooden pent in front of No. 64, Uxbridge-road, Hammersmith, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 37). This is

a temporary structure, which covers part of the forecourt of the house to the extent of about 17 feet by 14 feet. It consists of a roof formed with wooden rafters, and supported upon four wooden posts, the rafters being let into and secured to the front wall of the house. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Mr. J. P. Heiestad, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 65 to 73 (odd numbers), Victoria-road, Hackney-wick, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 38). The houses in this part of Victoria-road have bay-windows and forecourts about 6 feet deep. It is proposed to cover the forecourts, and also a triangular piece of land at the corner of Prince Edward-road, with one-storey shops, projecting to the line of the pavement. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. C. Walkley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 194, Elthorne-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 40). The proposed shop will entirely cover the forecourt, and will extend to the line of the pavement. The Vestry of Islington object to the application, and your Committee recommend—

That it be not granted.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Mr. C. S. de Pothonier, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood, iron and tile tool or coach house at the rear of West-end Lodge, Streatham-common, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 68). The shed referred to in the application has been erected in the grounds, at some distance from the house. It is built of wood upon a brick foundation, and is covered with corrugated iron, the dimensions being 13 feet by 11 feet, and the height 8 feet to the eaves. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be carried out to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Rev. W. E. Haigh, for the permission of the Board to retain, as a permanent structure, a wood and iron Mission-room, erected at St. George's-hall, Richmond-road, Barnsbury, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 67). The building was first sanctioned in 1870, for a period of two years, and the Board's approval has been extended from time to time. The applicant requests that, as the structure is used for religious and charitable purposes, it may be allowed to remain as a permanent building. Your Committee see no reason for departing from the usual course, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

A. EWIN,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W. R. SELWAY,
W^M. SHEPHERD.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the "Hope" Music-hall, No. 63, Banner-street, St. Luke's, be approved, and that, with a view to remedying the structural defects of the building, a revised Notice, containing the following Requisitions, be served upon the Owner thereof—

1.—That a new brick wall 9 inches thick, without openings, be built to form an entrance lobby to the Hall, and that such wall be carried down to the footings

of the basement; that such entrance lobby be 5 feet wide in the narrowest part, and that the floor and roof of such entrance lobby be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

2.—That the Western door-way, between the Hall and the Public-house bar be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

3.—That the door-way between the Music-hall and the bar parlour of the Public-house be closed by a wrought-iron door not less than one-fourth of an inch thick in the panel, in a wrought-iron frame, hung so as to close of itself.

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7.—That the skylight and vertical sashes of the lantern-light in the roof be protected by galvanised iron wire-guards fixed on the outside of such skylight and sashes.

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7.—That an iron door be fixed in the door-way in the proscenium wall on the North side of the proscenium opening, not less than one-fourth of an inch thick in the panel, in a wrought-iron frame, hung so as to close of itself.

8.—That the proscenium wall be carried up to a height of 3 feet above the roof and the lantern light to which it adjoins.

9.—That an additional hydrant be provided in the auditorium, in a position to be approved by the Board; that such hydrant be connected with the Water Company’s high-pressure main by 3-inch pipes, and be furnished with two 40-foot lengths of hose, with fittings of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade pattern.

10.—That the gas-meter at the rear of the stage be removed and be re-fixed in a properly ventilated brick chamber, in a position to be approved by the Board.

11.—That the open yard on the North side of the Hall be paved with York stone paving 2½ inches thick, on a bed of brick rubbish 6 inches thick, and that the door-ways at the Western end of such yard, leading into Riding House-street, be made to open outwards.

12. That the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards towards the street.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. J. Wells, for approval by the Board of the retention of a temporary Theatre of Varieties, in Bow-common-lane, Bromley-by-Bow, be not granted, and that the Solicitor be instructed to take such proceedings to obtain the removal of the building as he may consider advisable.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. J. Johnston, on behalf of Mr. W. Newholm, for a Certificate by the Board under the Act of 1878, in respect of the construction of a Music-hall at the rear of the “Old Pied Bull” Public-house,” No. 188, Holloway-road, Islington, as shown on the amended Drawing submitted by the applicant, and dated 17th February, 1886, be granted, and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the building, in accordance with such Drawing, to the satisfaction of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Baring Music-hall, No. 53, Baring-street, New North-road, Shoreditch, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878, be approved, and that in the opinion of the Board the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That a new staircase be constructed to the Hall at the North-East angle of the premises, on the site of the open yard next Baring-street, with a lobby and a door-way at the foot of such staircase, opening directly into the street; that such staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril” steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear; in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

2.—That the door-way in the East wall of the Hall leading to the present staircase be stopped up with brick work, 9 inches thick.

3.—That the floor of the Hall be rendered fire-resisting, in a manner to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

4.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be rendered fire-resisting in a similar manner to the floor described in Requisition No. 3.

5.—That the windows of the Hall be protected by wrought-iron guard bars to a height of 6 feet from the floor.

6.—That the fire-place at the Southern end of the room be protected by wire guard fixed in front of such fireplace.

7.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase.

8.—That the door-ways to the staircase be made 4 feet 6 inches wide, and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Messrs. Baker and Sons, as to the ownership of certain land required for access to roads, proposed to be formed by them, out of Fortune-green-lane, Hampstead, and conditionally approved by the Board on the 22nd January last (No. 8), be approved, and that the formal consent of the Board be now issued.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. C. Kynoch and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the North side of High-street, Clapham, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the amended application of the Artizans', Labourers' and General Dwellings Company, for the erection of houses at the Canal Bank, Harrow-road, be granted, on condition that the applicants do satisfy the Solicitor as to their rights of easement over the Canal, and that the whole of the work be carried out to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the amended application of Mr. A. C. Bean, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Thornton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of new roads, and the widening of two roads to lead out of Dawes-lane, Fulham, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Gironde-road, S.W.," "Hartismere-road, S.W.," "Fabian-road, S.W.," "Mirabel-road, S.W.," "Tournay-road, S.W." (in continuation), and "Shorrold's-road, S.W." (in continuation), be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. H. Wood, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a studio of wood, covered externally with Willesden paper, at the rear of No. 8, Claude-villas, Grove-vale, Camberwell, be granted for a period of Two years, from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. Branch, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops on the South-East side of St. John's-hill, Wandsworth, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, and signed by the Chairman of the Committee, be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, that previously to the commencement of building operations the spaces separating the proposed buildings from the public way be given up to form part of such public way, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on such Plan, and be, not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Plan accompanying the Notice from Mr. G. Cokayne, of his intention to form a road to lead out of High-street, Putney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying such Notice, be not approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. E. Swansborough, on behalf of Mr. T. B. Roupell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of eight houses on the South-West side of Victoria-road, Charlton, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. Thorn, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of an extension of Elm-park-mews, Callow-street, Fulham-road, sanctioned by the Board on the 30th July, 1875 (No. 9), and for permission to re-name the said Mews "Henniker-mews," be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the Mews, and that the proposed alteration in the name for the same be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. W. Chapman, on behalf of Mr. H. T. Webster, for the consent of the Board to the erection

of a wooden pent in front of No. 64, Uxbridge-road, Hammersmith, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. P. Heiestad, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 65 to 73 (odd numbers), Victoria-road, Hackney-wick, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. C. Walkley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 194, Elthorne-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. C. S. de Pothonier, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood, iron and tile Tool or Coach-house at the rear of West-end Lodge, Streatham-common, Wandsworth, be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be carried out to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of the Rev. W. E. Haigh, for the permission of the Board to retain, as a permanent structure, a wood and iron Mission-room erected at St. George's-hall, Richmond-road, Barnsbury, be not granted.

14. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 2nd March, 1886.

One of the provisions in the Board's Various Powers Bill now before Parliament relates, as the Board is aware, to the use by Gas, Water, and other Companies of Subways which may in future be made by the Board, it having been thought desirable to make provision for that purpose in a general Bill. Upon further consideration, however, it appears to your Committee that it may be better to postpone the attempt to obtain further powers with respect to Subways until some future occasion, when the Board may have a Bill before Parliament for the formation of a new street in connection with which a Subway would be made. They therefore recommend—

That the Clause in the Board's Various Powers Bill to require Gas, Water, and other Companies laying pipes under the streets to lay them in the Subways when such have been made by the Board, be not further proceeded with.

Your Committee have had under consideration the question of supporting the Board's Petitions against some of the Bills before Parliament this year, which contain provisions which, in the Board's opinion, are prejudicial to the public interest. They recommend—

That the Solicitor be authorised to employ two Counsel in support of the Board's Petition against the Horse Guards-avenue Bill.

That the Solicitor be authorised to employ two Counsel and one Engineering Witness in support of the Board's Petition against the Bexley-heath Railway Bill.

That the Solicitor be authorised to employ two Counsel and one Engineering Witness in support of the Board's Petition against the Greenwich and Millwall Subway Bill.

With respect to the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill, which has been introduced on behalf of the Government, this is a Bill similar in effect to one which has been introduced but has failed to pass in two previous years, the main object of it being to authorise the Board to determine what authority shall in future maintain the new streets at Hyde-park-corner. The Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields has presented a Petition asking to be heard by Counsel against the Bill, and it appears to your

Committee desirable that the Board should have the right to be heard. With this view they recommend—

That a Petition be presented against the Bill.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEO. EDWARDS,
JOHN TOLHURST,
ROBT. JONES.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the withdrawal of the Clause in the Board's Various Powers Bill to require Gas and other Companies laying pipes under the streets to lay them in the Subways when such have been made by the Board, be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Solicitor be authorised to employ two Counsel in support of the Board's Petition against the Horse Guards-avenue Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Solicitor be authorised to employ two Counsel and one Engineering Witness in support of the Board's Petition against the Bexley-heath Railway Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Solicitor be authorised to employ two Counsel and one Engineering Witness in support of the Board's Petition against the Greenwich and Millwall Subway Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented against the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill in order that the Board may have the right to be heard before the Select Committee on the Bill.

15. The Board resumed the consideration of the Report of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee as to the cleansing and ventilation of Sewers, deferred by the Board on the 22nd January last (No. 6).

The Clerk stated that, pursuant to the Board's Resolution, copies of the Report had been sent to each Vestry and District Board, and he laid before the Board the following Letters which he had received with reference thereto—

Poplar District Board, dated 19th February, 1886.
St. James', Westminster, Vestry, dated 24th February, 1886.
St. Saviour's District Board, dated 26th February, 1886.
Limehouse District Board, dated 26th February, 1886.
Chelsea Vestry, dated 3rd March, 1886.
St. George, Hanover-square, Vestry, dated 4th March, 1886.
St. Giles' District Board, dated 4th March, 1886.

Letter from the Greenwich District Board, dated 5th March, 1886, stating that they concurred in the opinions expressed in the Report, and desired to point out that there was a Sewer in the District which the first recommendation condemned, and which this Board had already been informed was dangerous to health, and urging them to comply with the request in relation to the Sewer contained in the District Board's Letter of the 12th November last.

It was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Mossop, and *resolved*—That the consideration of the Report be further adjourned for Six weeks; that those Vestries and District Boards who have not communicated with the Board on the subject be asked for an expression of their opinion on the suggestions made in the Report;

and that the Letters that may be received, together with those presented this day on the subject, be referred to the Committee, with a view to their reporting to the Board thereupon.

16. It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the *motion* by Mr. Fardell, notice of which appears in the paper of business, be now considered.

It was then *moved* by Mr. Fardell, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr Jolly —That the Works and General Purposes Committee be instructed to report to the Board, at its next Meeting, what progress has been made in regard to the settlement of a scheme for the treatment of the Sewage of the Metropolis, and the arrangements (if any) which are contemplated to prevent the discharge of crude Sewage into the River Thames.

After discussion the *motion* was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th March, 1886, on applications from the following Vestry and District Boards, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of Applications.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.	Remarks.
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.						
1886. 22 and 25 February.	Buckingham - palace-road, from Belgrave-street to Pimlico-road	paving.	2 months.	2 months.	The routes shown in Blue upon the Plan accompanying the application.	Recommended, subject to the works being carried out in sections, so as to accommodate the traffic to the greatest possible extent.
	Pimlico - road, from Buckingham-palace-road to near Lower George-street ...	do.	1 month	1 month		
	Wilton-road	do.	1 „	1 „		
ST. GILES.						
26 Feb.	Tottenham-court-road, from New Oxford-street to Store-street	re-paving	4 weeks.	4 weeks.	Gower, &c., Streets Museum, &c., Streets	
	Bury-street	do.	2 „	2 „		
	Bloomsbury - street, from New Oxford-street to Great Russell-street	do.	3 „	3 „	Duke, &c., Streets	
	Great St. Andrew-street, from Seven Dials to Neal-street	do.	3 „	3 „	Shaftesbury-avenue, &c.	
	Little White Lion-street	do.	2 „	2 „	Great Earl-street ...	
STRAND.						
3 March	Covent Garden Market, from Russell-street to Southampton-street ...	repairs	4 weeks.	4 weeks.	North side of Market, &c.	

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestry and District Boards, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer dated 5th March, 1886, on a Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, submitting for approval a Plan of a proposed Sewer in an intended new road to lead out of High-street, Clapham; stating that the Building Act Committee, in their Report presented to the Board this day, had recommended that the

Plan of the proposed new road should not be approved, and suggesting, therefore, that it should be referred to the Solicitor to advise as to whether or not the Board should approve of the Plan of the Sewer, which was in itself unobjectionable.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be received, and that the question be referred to the Solicitor for report.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th March, 1886, on an application from the Vestry of Chelsea, for permission to close in sections Keppel-street, and King's-road, West of Riley-street, to the Parish boundary, for the purpose of paving the carriage-ways with wood; stating that Keppel-street was an unimportant street as regarded the general carriage traffic through it, and recommending that the sanction of the Board should be given to its being closed as proposed, viz., in six sections, and for six days each section; and further stating, with respect to the part of the King's-road proposed to be closed, that there were no convenient routes through which the traffic could be diverted, with the exception of the portion between Limerston-street and Langton-street, from which the traffic could be diverted through Lamont-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the Report, and recommending the Board to sanction the closing of that portion of the road for a period of three weeks, but to decline to sanction the closing of the remaining portion of the road from Langton-street, Westward to the Parish boundary, as the carriage-way was sufficiently wide to admit of the paving works being so executed as not to necessitate the stopping of the traffic.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

20. The Engineer presented a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring-gardens,
1st March, 1886.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE SEVERAL SPECIAL CONTRACT WORKS.

Holloway and Northern High Level Sewers Relief Lines.—Mr. W. Rigby, Contractor.—A length of about 11,900 feet of brick Sewers, varying in diameter from 7 feet to 5 feet 6 inches, has been constructed at an estimated cost, with other works in connection therewith, of £42,700, of which about £3,700 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. T. Panter, G. Larkin, T. Wighton, J. Driffield, and J. Boyden, at a weekly cost of £15 15s.

Queen's-road, Dalston, &c., Sewer.—Messrs. Nowell and Robson, Contractors.—A length of about 6,100 feet of brick Sewer, varying in size from 5 feet by 4 feet to 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches, egg-shape, is complete, the value of which, with other works in connection therewith, is estimated at £13,600, of which about £900 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. J. Carter, J. Lake, and J. Pope, at a weekly cost of £9 9s.

Clapham to Putney Relief Sewers.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The main line of Sewer from the "Bedford Arms" Public-house, Clapham, to Roehampton-lane, Putney, has been completed, with the exception of the aqueduct crossing the Wandle Valley, which is still in progress. The six branch Sewers are also complete. The approximate value of the work done is about £131,500. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. C. Bedloe and J. Judd, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Putney (new) Bridge.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The four piers and the two abutments have been constructed up to the formation level of the road-way. The five granite arches have been constructed, the spandrel ashlar and brickwork have been built up to the formation level of the bridge road-way, and about one-half of this roadway-pitching has been laid and grouted. The cornices and parapets are being fixed. The construction of the road-way approaches at the Fulham and Putney extremities of the Bridge, together with the parapet and retaining walls thereto, is well advanced. The total approximate value of permanent work executed is about £209,500 (which amount includes the value of materials delivered and accepted), of which about £1,000 are due to the progress made in the past month, and which progress has been seriously impeded by the continued frosts. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. A. Boag, and J. Gooding, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Hammersmith Bridge.—Messrs. Dixon, Appleby and Thorne, Contractors.—The temporary Bridge has been completed and opened for traffic since April last. The whole of the road

metalling, the planking of the carriage and foot-ways, and the cross-girders and suspension-rods of the old Bridge have been removed. The temporary chains for the erection of the permanent link-chains have been raised to their required positions. The masonry of the Northern and Southern pier towers has been demolished to below the springing of the tower arches. The coffer-dam for the underpinning of the Southern pier has been completed. The excavations for the Northern and Southern abutments of the new structure have also been completed, and the concrete is being filled into them. The anchor abutment castings, steel anchor forgings, and abutment saddles have been fixed. Some portions of the wrought-iron towers, the whole of the new cross-girders, and some of the steel pins and nuts for the new chains, and of the pier column castings, have been manufactured and delivered upon the works. The total approximate value of permanent work (which includes ironwork delivered) is about £35,000, of which about £500 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. T. M. Carey and H. Rice, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Battersea Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., the Contractors for the execution of the works comprised in the construction of the temporary Bridge and the removal of the old structure, have completed the temporary Bridge. The old Bridge is undergoing demolition, and the remainder of the piles for the floating booms is being driven. The total approximate value of work executed is about £7,000. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. P. Sharpe, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

Lambeth Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., Contractors.—The new road-way paving has been completed, and the carriage traffic admitted upon it; the remaining works comprised in the Contract are in course of execution. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. H. Beecher, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, and be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th March, 1886, on an application from the Fulham District Board, for permission to close in two sections, for three weeks each, the part of Hammersmith-road between Blythe-lane and Rowans-road, for the purpose of paving the carriage-way with wood; stating that there were no convenient routes through which the traffic could be temporarily diverted, and that the carriage-way was sufficiently wide to admit of the works being executed without stopping the traffic and recommending that this Board should decline to sanction the closing of the road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

22. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th March, 1886, stating that 4 cast-iron pump buckets and guards, with gun metal gratings and spring rings, were required for use at the Deptford Pumping Station, and recommending that they should be supplied by Messrs. Stone and Co., of Deptford, at an estimated cost of £132.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the articles be supplied accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

23. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill, 1886, was still awaiting appointment to a Select Committee of the House of Commons; that the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been appointed for second reading in the House of Commons for Monday last, the 1st instant, but had been deferred until last night, and had been then adjourned until Tuesday next; and that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's (Water Supply) Bill had been appointed for this evening.
24. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Sanitation of Houses Bill had been appointed for the 19th May.
25. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee to which the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill (Mr. Arthur O'Connor) had not yet been appointed.
26. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill (No. 2) (Mr. Burt) stood for Wednesday next, the 10th instant.

27. The Solicitor reported that the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill had been appointed to be considered by a Committee of the whole House on Monday last, the 1st instant, and had been further adjourned until the 22nd instant.
28. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Rivers Purification Bill, which had been appointed for second reading in the House of Commons for the 16th instant.
29. The Solicitor reported that the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill had been read a second time in the House of Commons on the 1st instant, and referred to a Select Committee, which had not yet been appointed, and that a Petition had been presented against the Bill by the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-fields.
30. The Solicitor reported that the Commons and Inclosure Acts Amendment Bill had been appointed for second reading in the House of Commons for the 26th May, and that the South-Eastern Railway Bill had been withdrawn.
31. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board, be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

32. The Solicitor reported that the following Order had been made by the House of Commons last night—

River Lee—Select Committee on River Lee—Nomination of Mr. Abraham (Limerick County West), The Attorney-General, Mr. Sclater Booth, Mr. Rider Cook, Sir Guyer Hunter, Sir Henry Roscoe, Sir Lewis Pelly, and Mr. Pickersgill, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered—That three form a quorum.

The Solicitor also reported that the East London Water Company had presented a Petition praying to be heard before the Committee.

33. The Solicitor reported with respect to the Electric Lighting Bill and Provisional Orders that in reply to a question asked in the House of Commons on Tuesday last by Mr. Northcote, the President of the Board of Trade had replied to the effect that the whole question was under the consideration of the Government, and would if possible be dealt with during the present Session.
34. The Solicitor reported that the Chairman of the Board had replied to a question in the House of Commons by Mr. Baumann relative to the Board proceeding with the the laying out of the land for a Park at Dulwich.
35. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1877, (Amendment) Bill had been appointed to be read a second time in the House of Commons, on Friday, the 26th instant, and that the following Petitions had been presented against the Bill—

Grand Junction Waterworks Company,
 South Metropolitan Gas Company,
 Brentford Gas Company,
 East London Waterworks Company,
 St. Giles' District Board of Works,
 Gas Light and Coke Company.
36. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Compensation for damages Bill, and stated that it provided for payment of compensation for damage done during the late riot; that the Arbitrator under the Bill was to be appointed by the Chairman of the Board, with the approval of one of the Secretaries of State; that the compensation was to be paid out of the Metropolitan Police Fund; and that the Bill had been read a second

time in the House of Commons last night, and appointed to be considered in Committee of the whole House on the 8th instant.

37. The Solicitor reported that the Smoke abatement (Metropolis) Bill had been introduced by Lord Stratheden and Campbell, and read a first time in the House of Lords last evening.
38. The Solicitor reported that the arrangement with respect to the Loan of £100,000 to the School Board had been completed, and the Cheque handed over in exchange for the proper security.
39. The Solicitor reported that the House of Commons had referred the East London Waterworks Bill to a Select Committee of nine Members, five to be nominated by the House and four by the Committee of Selection, that the Bill, and also the Bills of the Lambeth and Southwark and Vauxhall Companies had been read a second time; and he presented a copy of the Orders made by the House with respect to the said Bills.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Fowler, and *resolved*—That the Home Secretary be reminded that the Board has not received an answer to the Letter addressed to his Department on 19th January last on the subject of the Water Companies' Bills, and that, in the absence of any expression of opinion from the Government, the Board does not feel justified in incurring the expense of representing the interests of the rate-payers and Water consumers before the Select Committee on the Bills, and that the Board does not, therefore, propose to instruct Counsel in support of its Petitions.

40. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Contract with Messrs. Sadler and Company, Limited, for the supply of 1,000 tons of Sulphuric Acid at the Outfalls at Crossness and Barking.

Appointment of Mr. Vulliamy as Valuer in the matter of a claim by the Trustees of "Carter's Charity" in respect of part of freehold premises, No. 65, Crown-street, St. Giles, also an Agreement between the Trustees of the Charity and Mr. S. J. Blackwell, and the Board for the apportionment of rent in respect of the same premises (Charing-cross and Tottenham-court-road Improvement).

Lease to Mr. H. F. Hudden, of Plot No. 26, in Clerkenwell-road.

Contract with Mr. T. Blackmore for re-gravelling a path on Clapham-common

Agreement for sale to Mr. C. Wilson, of Plots Nos. 5 and 6 in Kentish-town-road (Kentish-town Improvement).

Notice, and duplicate, as to structural defects in the Neumeyer Hall in Hart-street, Bloomsbury, prepared in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 5th ultimo (No. 10).

Notice, and duplicate, to the person keeping open the Grand Theatre in High-street, Islington, prepared in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 19th ultimo (No. 3).

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

41. The Solicitor reported that the costs of the Defendant in the Appeal case of the Board *v.* Nathan, as to buildings in Emmett-street, Poplar, had been taxed at £20 15s. 4d., and he suggested that the Board should now draw a Cheque for that amount, payable to Messrs. Speechley and Co., the Defendant's Solicitors.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £20 15s. 4d. be now drawn; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Working Account accordingly.

- 42.** The Solicitor reported that in dealing with certain property let for Artizans' Dwellings under the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1877, (Amendment) Act, 1882, a communication had been received which might render it expedient for the Board to obtain an amendment of the Act, and he suggested that the matter should be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with power to send a reply to the communication alluded to.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the communication in question be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

- 43.** The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 26th ultimo (No. 10), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Alpha-road, &c., St. Paul, Deptford...	...	...	Greenwich.
England's-lane, &c. ...	...	...	Hampstead.
Cannon-hall-road, &c. ...	...	...	do.
Pilgrim-street, &c. ...	...	...	Lambeth.
Stockwell-park-walk, &c. ...	...	...	do.
Cross-lane ...	...	...	St. Giles-in-the-Fields.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

- 44.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. D. Ellis, Secretary of the Commercial Gas Company, dated 26th February, 1886, transmitting a copy of the Company's Accounts for the half-year ended 31st December, 1885.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Accounts be referred to the Accountant for report.

- 45.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Jones, Clerk to the Fulham District Board, dated 25th February, 1886, suggesting that the service of the Precept of this Board should be withheld until after the 25th instant, so as to permit of service being made upon the newly incorporated Vestries of Fulham and Hammersmith.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee.

- 46.** The Clerk presented a Memorial of ratepayers, inhabitants, and others, resident in Deptford and Greenwich, embodying Resolutions passed at a public meeting, to the effect that the Memorialists were of opinion that the construction of a new street from Evelyn-street to Creek-road was a much-needed Improvement, and that the simultaneous extension and construction of the proposed Southwark and Deptford Tramways, from Evelyn-street to Greenwich, would be of great advantage to the residents of Greenwich and Deptford, and praying the Board to give their consent to the proposed Improvement, and the construction of the extension of the Tramways.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

- 47.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. A. A. Baumann, M.P., dated 27th February, 1886, stating that an Executive Committee, of which Sir John Lubbock, M.P., was Chairman, had been appointed to consider the extent of the present distress in the Metropolis, and the remedies being applied, and to report how far the Metropolitan Members of Parliament could interfere, with a view to support additional remedies, or to take any joint action, and stating that he would be glad to receive from the Board any information or suggestions with a view to mitigate the present suffering, and, if possible, to obviate the recurrence of such distress, and directing attention to the question of commencing works of public utility in the Metropolis, as to which the Committee would be glad to have the Board's opinion.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. Boyle, Local Government Board, dated 2nd March, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Letter from Mr. G. P. Buckingham, complaining of delay in proceeding with the erection of buildings in the area of the Whitechapel and Limehouse Artizans' Dwellings Act Scheme, 1876.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. P. Kenny, dated 2nd March, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Resolution passed at a meeting of the General Labourers' Amalgamated Unions, expressing regret that certain gentlemen from various Metropolitan Parishes were endeavouring to obtain a grant from the Mansion House Relief Fund, to be supplemented by a grant from this Board, so as to reduce the local Rates, and enhance the value of property in their localities, and asking the Board to receive a Deputation on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Deputation be received by the Board on Friday next at Twelve o'clock at noon.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. J. Purver, dated 3rd March, 1886, transmitting a Memorial, signed by the Chairman of the Lewisham, Deptford and Greenwich Mansion House Relief Committee, urging the Board, under the circumstances stated, to form a Lake on Blackheath, for which purpose the Relief Committee had granted the sum of £2,000 to be spent under the direction of the Board in aid of the improvement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter and Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which they relate.

51. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Jones, Clerk to the Fulham District Board, dated 3rd March, 1886, transmitting a copy of a communication from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, offering to the District Board the triangular piece of land on the West side of Brook-green, for the purpose of being laid out and maintained as a recreation ground and dedicated to the free use of the public for ever, to which the Homage Jury of the Manor of Fulham had given their assent; and asking this Board to accept the gift of land upon the terms and conditions therein referred to, and to deal with the matter at the earliest moment in order to afford employment to some unemployed workmen, as it was believed that both the Mansion House Committee and Lord Brabazon's Committee would contribute funds for the payment of wages.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

52. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Sinclair, dated 3rd March, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Resolution passed at a meeting of the unemployed of South London, urging the Board to begin the formation of the new thoroughfare between Southwark-bridge-road and Great Dover-street, in order to find employment for some of the unemployed workmen.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

53. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Jebb, Clerk to the Metropolitan Asylums Board, dated 2nd March, 1886, stating that in consequence of the decision

on appeal, the totals of the Gross and Ratable Values of the Valuation Lists in respect of the undermentioned Unions had been altered as follows—

Parish (or Union).	Gross Value.	Ratable Value.
Westminster Union—	£	£
St. James	831,835	694,201
St. Ann	145,364	120,531
St. Saviours' Union—		
St. Saviours	270,263	221,182
Woolwich Union—		
Woolwich	181,301	139,798
Lewisham Union—		
Eltham	56,306	47,375
Lee	158,586	131,605
Lewisham	548,766	450,397
St. George's Union—		
St. George, Hanover-square, error in totals now amended	2,080,440	1,742,101
St. Pancras	1,902,442	1,581,823
Error in totals now amended—		
Lambeth	1,801,084	1,461,540

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, and the Accountant.

54. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Dewey, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 3rd March, 1886, stating that the Vestry had completed the Improvement in Hornsey-row, Upper-street, and had paid to the Vendors (including £19 19s. Surveyor's costs, and £16 agreed Solicitor's costs) £1,086 19s., which was less than the amount originally estimated for the purchase of the land alone, and they had also spent about £200 in paving the footpath and cubing the road in front of the property, and expressing a hope that the Board would see fit to contribute £550, being the maximum which they agreed to contribute thereto.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

55. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Lambeth.

Vestry-hall, Kennington-green, S.E.,
3rd March, 1886.

SIR,—I beg respectfully to make application for payment of the contribution promised by your Board in August, 1884, towards the cost of the Improvement effected by the Vestry in forming a direct communication from Knight's-hill-road to High-street, Lower Norwood.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. H. ROBERTS,

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

Accountant to the Vestry.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

56. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.

Vestry-hall, Borough-road, Southwark, S.E.,
March 3rd, 1886.

LOAN.

DEAR SIR,—The Vestry of this Parish desiring to pave the road-ways of the Southwark-bridge-road, St. George's-road, Lambeth-road and the Borough-road, in this Parish, at their

5 March, 1886.

Meeting duly convened for the consideration of the question, and held last evening, **RESOLVED** *unanimously* as follows—

That application be made to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their consent to the borrowing of the sum of £15,500 in order to pave the above road-ways.

The cost of the work as estimated by the Surveyor is £15,779.

Will you please lay this application before the Metropolitan Board of Works. It is proposed that the Loan should stand over 20 years, and be re-paid by 20 annual instalments.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) A. MILLAR.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

57. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Parish of Lambeth Board of Guardians.

Brook-street, Kennington-road,
3rd March, 1886.

SIR,—I am directed by the Guardians to forward to you the accompanying Order of the Local Government Board, authorising them to borrow the sum of £7,072, and to expend the same in making certain alterations and additions at Lambeth Workhouse, Renfrew-road.

The Guardians desire to borrow £7,000 of the above-named sum from the Metropolitan Board of Works, on the condition that the Loan shall be re-paid by fifteen annual instalments, and otherwise upon the same conditions as those entered into with respect to previous Loans.

The Guardians will be prepared to take up the money at the earliest moment at which it will be practicable for the Metropolitan Board of Works to advance it.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. B. WILMOT,
Clerk to the Guardians.

To the Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

58. Mr. Deputy Saunders handed in a Letter, as follows—

London, Sewers' Office, Guildhall,
22nd February, 1886,

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—The Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London have been memorialised by the inhabitants of King-street, Snow-hill, to take advantage of the land on one side of the said street, being vacant, to widen the said thoroughfare, and it appearing upon investigation to be a desirable Improvement to carry out, on account of its immediate proximity to the Metropolitan Meat and Poultry Markets, to which it forms an important access, the Commissioners have arranged for laying into the public way so much of such vacant ground as is shown by the Red tint upon the accompanying Plan, at a cost of £3,000.

As the inhabitants of the whole Metropolis are interested in the making of suitable approaches to these Markets, the Commissioners submit the matter to your Honourable Board, with the confident expectation that you will concur with them as to the advisability of effecting the Improvement, and will, according to custom, liberally aid them in defraying the cost thereof.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) HY. BLAKE,
Principal Clerk.

The Plan referred to was laid before the Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Deputy Saunders, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

59. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. G. Hills, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 4th March, 1886, referring to this Board's Letter of the 3rd February last, relative to the proposed embankment of the towing path at Putney, and stating that it

was intended to carry out the suggestions in making the road-way 33 feet wide at the narrowest point opposite the launching ways to the boat house, and to extend the earth-works embankment at the rear up the Beverley-brook to the required distance.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

60. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. M. W. Milton, Secretary of the Metropolitan Drinking Fountain and Cattle Trough Association, dated 4th March, 1886, requesting permission to substitute a larger Fountain for the one now standing on Peckham-rye.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration and report.

61. The Clerk presented a Letter from Lord Charles Bruce, dated 4th March, 1886, enclosing a copy of a Petition to the Lord Mayor and Members of the Mansion House Committee for a grant of £2,000 towards the cost of forming a Lake on Blackheath, and stating that the request had been acceded to upon certain conditions; and that the amount (£2,000) should form part of the £5,000 referred to in his previous Letter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

62. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. A. Brook, Vice-Chairman of the Hackney District Committee of the Mansion House Relief Fund, dated 3rd March, 1886, asking that work might be found for the unemployed of the district upon the Open Spaces under the Board's control.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

63. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 3rd March, 1886, transmitting, to be dealt with by the Board, a Letter from Viscount Wolmer, M.P., and its enclosure, enquiring whether the re-erection of a Dissecting-room on the Burial-ground of St. George-the-Martyr, Bloomsbury, could be prevented.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

64. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 2nd instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphureted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	Photometer			11.0	9.1	10.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	None
	Camden ...	under repair.			17.1	16.1	16.6	11.8	9.7	10.6	
	Dalston ...	16.7	16.4	16.6	16.3	12.2	13.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	
	Bow ...	17.3	16.6	17.0	13.3	8.6	10.9	0.6	0.3	0.4	
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.7	16.3	16.5	18.8	14.9	16.6	0.4	0.2	0.3	
	(Nine-elms) ...	16.3	16.0	16.1	16.4	16.0	16.2	0.6	0.1	0.3	
	Kingsland-road ...	16.9	16.4	16.6	14.3	6.8	11.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	
	Charing-cross ...	16.3	15.6	16.0	14.2	10.9	12.6	1.0	0.3	0.6	
	St. John's-wood ...	16.5	16.0	16.3	14.4	12.9	13.5	0.5	0.0	0.3	
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Station closed for repairs.									"
	Peckham ...	16.9	16.6	16.8	10.8	8.4	9.7	1.0	0.4	0.8	
	Tooley-street ...	16.7	16.3	16.5	11.2	7.4	9.5	1.2	0.0	0.3	
	Clapham ...	16.9	16.2	16.6	14.8	11.6	12.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Lewisham ...	16.6	16.0	16.3	17.9	11.9	13.8	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford ...	18.0	17.0	17.4	9.1	7.7	8.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	16.5	15.6	16.0	13.4	8.3	11.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Seymour-street, Camden-town, on March 2nd, at 7 p.m., was 2.5 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Commercial Gas Company, as tested in Wick-lane, Old Ford, on February 25th, at 9 p.m., was 2.2 inches.

65. The Clerk presented a Memorandum by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd March, 1886, stating that he was obliged to be absent from his duties in consequence of the state of his health, and asking the Board, in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, to approve of the appointment of Mr. Hebb and Mr. Goddard to act for him during his absence.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That, in consequence of the illness of Mr. George Vulliamy, the Superintending Architect, he be allowed leave of absence, and that the Board do consent to the appointment by him of Mr. John Hebb as his Deputy to perform all his duties as Superintending Architect of Metropolitan Buildings, and in connection with the Fire Brigade, during his absence.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That, in consequence of illness, Mr. George Vulliamy, be allowed leave of absence, and that his duties otherwise than those as Superintending Architect and in connection with the Fire Brigade, be discharged by Mr. Frederick William Goddard.

66. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. H. Girdler, on behalf of Mr. J. Smith, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projecting bay-window, in front of No. 26, Upland-road, East Dulwich, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

67. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st March, 1886, on the application of Major General A. S. Moberley, for the approval by the Board of the construction of an external wooden staircase as erected at the workshops for the Blind of Kent, at the rear of No. 1 Thornton-row, South-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

68. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. E. Carleton Holmes and Son, on behalf of Messrs. Meux and Co., requesting the Board to modify, in the terms of the altered acceptance accompanying the Letter, the condition imposed by their Resolution of 5th February, last (No. 10), with reference to the surrender to the public of ground in connection with the re-erection of "The Thatched House" Public-house, in Essex-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

69. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. M. Anderson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch and bay-window in front of No. 14, Berkeley-street, Piccadilly, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

70. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Armfield, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch, &c., in front of Stanley Hall, in Cairns-road, Battersea, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the porch, &c., therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application,

and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of the Board.

- 71. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st March, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. W. Lemon, for the consent of the Board to the erection of nine shops on the North-West side of Greyhound-lane, Streatham, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and also upon condition that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the spaces coloured Blue upon the Plan, be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 72. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Adamson and Sons, on behalf of Mr. G. Newnes, M.P., for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a wooden porch at the entrance to "Wildcroft," Putney-heath.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 73. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. Clayton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission Hall upon vacant land on the East side of Hatcham-road, Old Kent-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 74. ROTHERHITHE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. A. Hill, on behalf of Mr. H. White, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and iron shed on land adjoining No. 77, Cranham-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 75. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Bishop, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a paved footway out of the North side of Waterloo-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 76. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th February, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Farebrother, Ellis, Clark and Co., on behalf of Sir S. Wilson, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a mews to lead out of Finchley-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 77. KENSINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of the Rev. E. Carr-Glynn, for approval by the Board of the erection of a permanent Church in Palace-gardens-terrace, and the abandonment of the formation of the continuation of Palace-gardens-terrace, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

78. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Thwaites, on behalf of Mr. G. Horsley, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of houses on the North side of Dorset-road, South Lambeth, in the position shown thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

79. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. W. Perrers, on behalf of Mr. C. Watkins, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the South side of Lower Richmond-road, Putney.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

80. ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Lander and Bedells, on behalf of Mr. W. T. Purkiss, for approval by the Board of certain alterations and additions proposed to be made to the Royal Music-hall, No. 242, High Holborn, as shown on the Drawings accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

81. ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. R. Kerr, District Surveyor, asking the Board to afford him legal assistance in obtaining the removal of a roof erected over a timber stage, the construction of which was refused by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 54).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

82. WOOLWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. G. E. Arnold and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open shed at the Royal Dockyard Wharf.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

83. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Foulsham, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee, for a special service performed by him in superintending the setting of a steam boiler at Sullivan's paper hanging manufactory, No. 1, Gale-street, Devon's-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Fifteen shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

84. POPLAR.—Read a communication from Mr. John Clarkson, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of All Saints, Poplar, dated 26th February, 1886, notifying that certain alterations at the Public Baths and Wash-houses, in East India-dock-road, were about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—*Whereas* Mr. John Clarkson, District Surveyor for the District of All Saints, Poplar, did on the 26th day of February, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said John Clarkson, was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain alterations at the Public Baths and Wash-houses, in East India-

dock-road, and the said John Clarkson has been since the said date, and now is engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. Chester Foulsham, District Surveyor for the District of St. Leonard, Bromley, be appointed by this Board, and the said Chester Foulsham is hereby appointed to survey the said premises for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

85. FULHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Griffith, for the permission of the Board to retain for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected at the rear of No. 93, Coningham-road, Shepherd's-bush.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

86. HACKNEY.—Read a communication from Mr. Joseph Douglass Mathews, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of St. Mary, Stoke Newington, dated 2nd March, 1886, notifying that certain additions and alterations to a house known as Holly Lodge, Lordship-road, were about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**, and **ordered**, as follows—
~~Whereas~~ Mr. Joseph Douglass Matthews, District Surveyor for the District of St. Mary, Stoke Newington, did, on the 2nd day of March, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said Joseph Douglass Mathews was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain additions and alterations to a house known as Holly Lodge, Lordship-road, and the said Joseph Douglass Mathews has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. Rowland Plumbe, District Surveyor for the District of South Islington, be appointed by this Board, and the said Rowland Plumbe is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

87. ROTHERHITHE.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Thomas, on behalf of Mr. Reeson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open shed at the rear of No. 17 Plough-road.

It was **moved** by Mr. Tolhurst, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

88. ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. J. Kelle, on behalf of Mr. C. Bremerkamp, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an addition to a timber stage at the rear of No. 13, Stoney-street.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

89. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. Clifford, on behalf of Messrs. Webster Brothers, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and iron photographic studio at the rear of No. 25, The Pavement, Clapham-common.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be not granted.

90. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th March, 1886, stating that Mr. E. H. Wilkinson, a Second-class Clerk in the Dangerous Structures

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Branch of the Department, was still unable to attend to his duties in consequence of illness.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That one month's leave of absence be granted to Mr. Wilkinson, and that the Superintending Architect do report again at the expiration of that period.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 12th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 10.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **12th** day of **March**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.	WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR- RETT, Esq.	BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.
CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	JOHN LENANTON, Esq.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.
ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	ROBERT JONES, Esq.
JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND- SAY, Esq.
WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL- LIAMS, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICH- ARDSON, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., Eng.
EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.
JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN- HALL, Esq.
	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.	
	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 5th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.
2. A Deputation from the General Labourers' Amalgamated Unions, introduced by Mr. Shepherd, and consisting of Mr. P. Kenny, Mr. R. Barber, Mr. D. Deverill, Mr. G. Norfield, Mr. W. Wadlow, Mr. R. Burt, and Mr. R. Partridge, attended the Board, pursuant to the Board's Resolution of February last.

It appearing that the Deputation had not prepared a Memorial, as required by the Bye-law,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Bye-law requiring that Deputations to the Board shall be provided with a Memorial, be on the present occasion suspended, and that the Deputation be now heard.

Mr. Kenny then addressed the Board in support of the following Resolution, passed by the Union—

That this Meeting of representatives of *bonâ fide* workmen having been informed by Mr. Kenny, who is our representative on the "Mansion House Fund," originally raised for the unemployed *bonâ fide* workmen of London, regrets to find that certain gentlemen from various metropolitan parishes are endeavouring to get a grant from the "Mansion House Fund" to be supplemented by the Metropolitan Board, so as to reduce the Local Rates, and to enhance the value of the property in those localities. We therefore trust that the Board will accede to our request, and receive a Deputation upon this important subject.

The Chairman informed the Deputation that the powers and duties of the Board were defined and limited by Acts of Parliament, and that the Board could not interfere with respect to the matters to which the Deputation had referred.

3. Deputations from the Vestries of Islington and Clerkenwell, introduced by Mr. Reddish, Mr. Bradfield, and Mr. Robson, and consisting of the following gentlemen—

Islington Vestry.

Mr. Churchwarden Lambert, Mr. M. H. Sansom, Mr. T. H. Stonelake, M.L.S.B., Mr. J. Bentley, Mr. J. Thompson, and Mr. H. Abrahams, accompanied by Mr. W. F. Dewey, the Vestry Clerk, and Mr. J. P. Barber, the Surveyor of Highways to the Vestry.

Clerkenwell Vestry.

Mr. T. S. Jennings, Mr. J. Wildbore, Mr. R. D. Lyon, and Mr. A. Millward, accompanied by Mr. R. Paget, the Clerk to the Vestry, attended the Board, and presented Memorials, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, under their Common Seal.

SHEWETH,

That by the Tramways Act, 1870, your Honourable Board are constituted the "Local Authority" in regard to all Tramways to be constructed in the Metropolis, and that by the same Act your Memorialists are constituted the "Road Authority" for Tramways in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington.

That by the Standing Orders of the House of Commons, the consents of the Local Authority of the Metropolis and of the several Road Authorities through whose districts Tramways are proposed to be constructed, are required to be given to any Tramways Bill before the same can be proceeded with.

That a Bill is being promoted in the present Session of Parliament by the North London Tramways Company, by which it is proposed to authorise that Company to construct Tramways from Finsbury-park, through the Districts of Highbury, Barnsbury, and Thornhill (parts of your Memorialists' Parish), to Clerkenwell and King's-cross.

That the total length of the Tramways proposed to be constructed by the Bill is 4 miles 1 furlong 1'45 chains, of which 3 miles 4 furlongs 4'30 chains are in your Memorialists' Parish, and 2 furlongs 6'35 chains within the Parish of Clerkenwell.

That, in the opinion of your Memorialists, the proposed Tramways will be very beneficial to the public at large, and particularly to the residents in, and Ratepayers of, their own Parish, by affording facilities for cheap travelling and by connecting the Suburban system of the North London Tramways Company, which at present extends from Finsbury-park to Tottenham, directly with the centre of the Metropolis.

That a further advantage offered by the said Scheme is that it proposes to afford direct means of communication between Highbury and King's-cross, and by so doing to open up the Districts of Barnsbury and Thornhill, which are at the present time most inadequately supplied with travelling accommodation.

That two Memorials have been presented to your Memorialists in favour of the proposed Tramways, one of which purported to be signed by 1,187 residents in Barnsbury and Thornhill Districts, and the other by 617 owners and occupiers of property in that portion of Highbury through which the said Tramways are to be constructed.

That a Memorial against the said Scheme, purporting to be signed by 72 occupiers, lessees, and freeholders of property in St. Thomas-road, Ambler-road, and Avenell-road. And also a Memorial against any further Tramways being constructed in the roads of the Parish, purporting to be signed by 532 owners and occupiers of property, have been received by your Memorialists.

That your Memorialists having considered these Memorials, and had before them Deputations in support of the same, are of opinion that the majority of the Ratepayers of their Parish, and more particularly of those residing within the Districts directly affected, are in favour of the construction of the proposed Tramways.

That your Memorialists having very fully considered the Scheme proposed by the said Bill, have given their consent to the same upon certain conditions, which have been embodied in the form of an Agreement between the Company and the Vestry, which consent and conditions were communicated to your Honourable Board in a Letter, dated the 9th February last.

That the Vestry of the Parish of Clerkenwell, as the "Road Authority" for that Parish, have also given their consent to the Bill.

That your Memorialists have learned with considerable regret that your Honourable Board at their Meeting, on the 19th February, resolved not to give their consent to the Bill, thereby precluding the same from becoming Law, and delaying, if not entirely preventing, the construction of the said Tramways.

That, inasmuch as your Honourable Board's objections may be founded on the insufficient width of portions of the route through which the proposed Tramways are to be constructed, your Memorialists would point out that, although in Palmer-place (through which it is proposed to construct the said Tramways) the narrowest portion of the road-way is only 21 feet 1 inch from kerb to kerb, the length of this place is 317 feet only, and the traffic through it very inconsiderable; while in the main route of the North Metropolitan Tramways along the Upper-street there occurs a gut, 1,042 feet in length, the narrowest portion of which from kerb to kerb is only 21 feet 6 inches, and through which about 2,500 vehicles pass daily.

That your Memorialists have reason to believe that Tramways have been sanctioned by your Honourable Board along road-ways of a less width from kerb to kerb than either of those just referred to.

That your Memorialists feel greatly interested in the successful promotion of the said Tramway Scheme, and have accordingly resolved to approach your Honourable Board to emphasize their views as the "Road Authority" in the matter, and to endeavour to obtain a re-consideration of your Honourable Board's decision thereon.

Your Memorialists, therefore, pray, for the reasons herein set forth, that your Honourable Board will be pleased to re-consider your decision with regard to the North London Tramways Bill, and that you will see fit to give your consent to the same upon such conditions as, to your Honourable Board, may seem desirable.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

The Seal of the Vestry was affixed, by order, the 12th day of March, 1886.

(Signed) W^M. F. DEWEY,
Vestry Clerk.

L. S.

In Parliament.—Session 1886-7.

The North London Tramways Extension Bill.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell, in the County of Middlesex.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

That your Memorialists are one of the Local Authorities through whose District the proposed extension of the existing system of the North London Tramways Company is intended to be laid.

That your Memorialists have carefully considered the deposited Plans, and passed a Resolution in favour of the Bill, being of opinion that a connection with Barnsbury, Edmonton and other places which will be opened up by the proposed line, will be highly beneficial to the inhabitants who will be served thereby.

That your Memorialists are most anxious that the Bill should not be thrown out this Session, and therefore pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to give the consent

necessary to allow the promoters to appear before the Select Committee of the House of Commons, subject, however, to such Clauses as your Honourable Board may deem advisable being inserted in the Bill.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

Sealed with the Common Seal of the Vestry, this Eleventh day of
March, 1886.

By order,
(Signed) ROBERT PAGET,
Vestry Clerk.

L.S.

Mr. Churchwarden Lambert addressed the Board on behalf of the Deputations.

It was *moved* by Mr. Reddish, and seconded by Mr. Bradfield—That the Memorials be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Edwards—That the consideration of the Memorials be deferred until the other Deputations on the subject, notice of which appears on the paper of business, shall have been heard.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 23, against it 2, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and having been put to the vote as an original motion, it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

A Deputation from inhabitants of houses fronting the streets in the Parish of Islington, in which the North London Tramways Company propose to lay their lines, introduced by Mr. Bradfield, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. J. H. Mote, Mr. G. Benton, Mr. W. May, Mr. J. Spiken, Mr. F. W. Godfree, Mr. J. W. Hickman, Mr. C. English, Mr. M. H. Butcher, Mr. W. Kirkham, Mr. G. K. Pugh, Mr. C. M. Brooks, Mr. T. H. Roberts, Mr. E. J. Stranger, and Mr. B. Rutgers, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Petition of the undersigned, being occupiers of houses having frontages upon the roads through which the proposed Tramway of the North London Tramways Company will run, and of the lessees and freeholders of the same.

SHEWETH,

1.—That the roads occupied and owned by your Petitioners are part of the District essentially comprising private dwelling-houses, the occupiers of which have, in most if not in all instances, taken the same on the ground of the quiet which prevails in such district, and the fact that the houses are private dwelling-houses, and that there is an absence of noisy businesses and noisy traffic. Also a safety with regard to children from the risk of vehicular traffic of a dangerous character.

2.—That if the proposed Tramway be made along the roads fronting the houses of your Petitioners they will cut up the road-ways and will introduce vehicular traffic of a noisy and dangerous character, likely to endanger much risk with regard to life and limb, especially to the children who abound in their neighbourhood.

3.—That if such Tramway be constructed, your Petitioners' comfort will be materially diminished, and large numbers of your Petitioners will be obliged to seek another neighbourhood, where there will be more quiet and less risk, and those of your Petitioners who are owners and lessees of property will be materially injured by the depreciation in value of the property along the line of such proposed Tramway in the District referred to.

4.—That the proposed Tramway might, by deviation to the Eastward or right hand of the District in which your Petitioners live, and in such property as aforesaid, be able to pass along a more public road-way where there is a line of businesstraffic, where the noise and risk would be accepted as common to a leading or well-frequented public thoroughfare, and be beneficial to the shopkeepers and occupiers of the same, and such deviation would probably not occasion delay to passengers in their route, or a very large increase of expenditure on the part of the Company promoting such proposed new Tramways.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray—

1.—That your Honourable Board will refuse to sanction or approve of the proposed Scheme of the said Company to allow the Tramway to be constructed through the

District and over the following roads, namely :—Avenell-road, Ambler-road, St. Thomas'-road, or Plimsoll-road, Highbury.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

(Signed) JOHN H. MOTE,

75, Isleden-road, Highbury Ward,

(For self and Co-trustees representing the freeholds in the roads named in prayer),

And 62 others.

The Deputation addressed the Board in support of the Memorial.

Mr. Bradfield handed in five Memorials from frontagers and other persons interested in property in Somerfield-road, Finsbury-park-road, Ambler-road, Avenell-road, St. Thomas's-road, Gillespie-road, and St. James's-road, in opposition to the proposed Tramways.

The Clerk presented the following Memorials and Letters—

Memorial from owners and occupiers of property abutting on Palmer-place, Holloway, again submitting the reasons for their objections to the North London Tramways Bill, and asking the Board not to reverse their decision.

Letter from Mr. A. Norman, dated 11th March, 1886, protesting against the renewed application to the Board for their consent to the scheme of the North London Tramways Company.

Letter from Messrs. Bolton and Mote, dated 10th March, 1886, calling attention to the fact that a Memorial signed by 74 tenants of houses fronting into Avenell-road, St. Thomas's-road and Ambler-road, had been presented to the Vestry of Islington against the proposal of the North London Tramways Company to lay lines in those streets.

Memorial from owners, &c., of property in Palmer's-place, Islington, in favour of the proposed Tramways.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Harben—That the North London Tramways Bill having been carefully considered before the Board came to a decision upon it, the Board is not prepared to re-open the question.

The motion having been put to the vote, there were for it 30, against it 2, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was ~~resolved~~ accordingly.

4. A Deputation from inhabitants, &c., of Moor-street, Soho, and its neighbourhood, introduced by Mr. Hewitt, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. M. Harrison, Mr. H. Bishop, Mr. W. Webb, and Mr. J. F. Hidcock, attended the Board, and presented Memorials, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Memorial of the Members of the Mission Church, meeting at the Mission Hall, Moor-street, W.C.,

SHEWETH,

As a company of working men and women, who, by the grace of God, have been gathered from the ranks of sin and evil, we have experienced great blessing and consolation by meeting together for meditation and Divine Worship, but we have learned with dismay and heartfelt grief that you have arranged to deprive us of our House of Prayer and Spiritual Home, by taking from us our Mission-hall, Moor-street (the place where we have met for communion and fellowship for so many years past, and where we have organised and carried on our work for the well-being of our friends and neighbours.)

As we have had no part in bringing about this result, which will be to us and the people of the District nothing short of a calamity (both spiritual and temporal), we beg to ask that the Board may take a generous view of our case, and, as the building is not actually required for the new street, that we may be allowed to retain our present premises, with an extended frontage adapted to the design of the new street. But if this should be found by your Honourable Board to be impossible, that your Honourable Board will be pleased to grant us

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the site of our old building, or an eligible site as near as possible to it, where we may erect a new building, at a nominal ground rent, and thus be able to carry on our work in the District of St. Giles.

Signed, on behalf of the Members of the Mission Church.

(Signed) WILLIAM HARRISON (Minister),
20, Merrick-square, Newington, S.E.,
And 2 others.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Petition of the Superintendents, Officers, Workers and Friends interested in carrying on the work at the Mission-hall, Moor-street, Five Dials, W.C.,

SHEWETH,

That your Memorialists, on behalf of the Poor residing in the W.C. District of the Metropolis, are personally interested in the various branches of instruction, rescue, benevolent and Christian work, voluntarily carried on and organised at the Mission-hall, Moor-street, W.C., and beg to assure your honourable Board that we have learned with deep regret that you are about to deprive the neighbourhood of such a useful institution, which for so many years has done such good work in the interests of the people. Here poor children have been instructed, the hungry fed, the naked clothed, the drunken reformed, the hopeless encouraged and inspired, the ignorant taught, and the habits of the depraved changed from vice to virtue. From this hall for many years the Messengers of Peace and Blessing have gone forth to the houses of the destitute and the sick, and on behalf of the department of useful work named in the subjoined document, in which we have taken interest and rendered personal service, we beg to subscribe our names, praying that your Honourable Board will grant the Petition contained in the Memorial of the Mission Church meeting in the above Hall, and that of the numerously-signed Memorial of the Ratepayers and Inhabitants of the District.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

(Signed) JOSEPH WEATHERLEY,
51, Gordon-square,
And 98 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorials,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Hewitt, seconded by Mr. Selway, and ~~resolved~~—That the Memorials be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

5. Mr. Tolhurst handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Rotherhithe, Surrey.

Offices—Public Baths,
Deptford Lower-road, Rotherhithe, S.E.,
5th March, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by this Vestry to forward you the enclosed copy Letter received from Mr. E. A. B. Crochett, with copy Plan accompanying same, and to state that the Vestry are of opinion that a great public Improvement can be effected by the acquisition by the Metropolitan Board of Works of a portion of the land, coloured pink on the said Plan, for the purpose of throwing the same into and widening Rotherhithe-street, and to enquire whether the Board will entertain the matter as a public Improvement.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JAMES J. STOKES,
Clerk to the Vestry.
J. E. Wakefield, Esq.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Tolhurst, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

6. Mr. James handed in a Letter from Mr. G. W. Murnane, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, dated 11th March, 1886, with reference to the suggestion made by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, for a conference with a view to an equitable arrangement being made with regard to the cost of the future maintenance of the new streets at Hyde-park-corner, stating that the Vestry of St. Martin's

acquiesced in the request of the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and hoped that the Board would arrange for a conference accordingly at as early a date as practicable.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. James, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

7. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 9th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 20th February, 1886	...	...	...	£201,942 19 -	
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day				139,117 15 10	
					£341,060 14 10
Payments since 20th February, 1886	...	...	...	...	163,338 1 10
Balance on 6th March, 1886	{ viz : Cash Balance at Bank ...		£186,676 4 5		
	{ Less cheques not presented		8,953 11 5		
					177,722 13

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance on 20th February, 1886	...	...	...	£1,190 3 6	
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	6,305 12 6	
					£7,495 16 -
Payments since 20th February, 1886	...	...	...	...	6,356 3 6
Balance on 6th March, 1886	{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank...		£1,292 17 9		
	{ Less cheques not presented		153 5 3		
					1,139 12

Total Cash Balances on 6th March, 1886 **£178,862 5**

Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 20th February, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.		Balances, 6th March, 1886.		Cheques issued.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.	At Debit.	At Credit.	
Working Accounts—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General	29,159 7 5	...	37,228 10 2	8,473 17 2	404 14 5	...	25 13
Fire Brigade	11,785 - 11	...	131 4 10	4,478 9 9	16,132 5 10	...	...
Bridges	...	6,412 6 1	25 7 2	63 19 6	...	6,373 13 9	...
Capital Accounts—							
General	...	389,261 5 11	...	1,631 8 11	...	387,629 17 -	500 -
Fire Brigade	1,076 1 2	...	...	1,428 17 5	2,504 18 7	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1877)...	29 7 6	...	...	...	29 7 6	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1881)	4,356 - 8	...	...	3,900 9 -	8,256 9 8	...	5,309 7
Bridges (Act of 1883)	1,709 9 10	...	...	40 6 6	1,749 16 4	...	...
Main Drainage and } Main Sewers ... }	8,973 9 8	...	100 - -	4,321 13 -	13,195 2 8	...	15 -
Parks and Open } Spaces ... }	78 3 6	...	...	21 10 5	99 13 11	...	...
Highbury Fields ...	60,301 11 6	...	...	25 13 -	60,327 4 6	...	79 18
Streets (Act of 1872)...	22 16 10	...	...	1 13 4	24 10 2	...	935 7
Streets (Act of 1877)...	26,153 2 8	...	...	8,120 15 8	34,273 18 4	...	14,441 6
Tooley-street Extension (Act of 1882) }	3 8 -	...	...	2 16 -	6 4 -	...	...
Streets (Act of 1883)...	31,015 3 7	...	...	10,244 18 5	41,260 2 -	...	21,428 12
Streets (Act of 1884)...	2,861 11 5	...	...	20 2 6	2,881 13 11	...	...
Streets (Act of 1885)...	7 10 -	...	...	- 12 6	8 2 6	...	...
Appold Street ...	...	192 10 1	...	2 18 -	...	189 12 1	...
Hampstead Improvements ... }	33,455 15 4	...	79 6 -	3,074 4 7	36,450 13 11	...	11,583 11
Poplar Improvement...	16 19 7	...	...	...	16 19 7	...	...
Thames Floods Prevention ... }	110 8 4	...	78 15 -	22 4 6	53 17 10	...	...
Miscellaneous—							
Dwelling House Improvement Fund...	...	135 6 6	1,282 16 -	6,766 8 5	5,348 5 11	...	7,367 9
Consolidated Loans Fund ... }	...	16,886 15 -	100,191 16 8	110,664 17 5	...	6,413 14 3	8,364 -
Firemen's Savings Fund ... }	...	170 3 4	...	30 5 10	...	139 17 6	...
	211,115 7 11	413,058 6 11	139,117 15 10	163,338 1 10	223,024 1 7	400,746 14 7	70,566 7
	£201,942 19 -				£177,722 13 -		

INVESTMENTS.

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND	£3,120 8 5		Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT	£99,545 4 1		Treasury Bills, due 7th April, 1886.
Do.	£99,666 13 4		Do. due 6th May, 1886.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 22nd February to 6th March, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

Assessments—					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Greenwich District	...	...	...	...	£10,385	6	11			
St. George, Hanover-square	...	...	...	...	26,169	15	1			
								36,555	2	-
Fees—										
Re Construction of buildings (Building Act)	...			...	£7	5	-			
„ Dangerous structures	„	...	...	...	236	16	6			
„ Gas-meter testing	...	...	...	...	152	4	2			
„ Petroleum	...	...	...	...	21	-	-			
„ Explosives	...	...	...	...	4	17	-			
								422	2	8
Fine—										
Re Thames Floods Prevention Act	...	...	...	...				5	-	-
Costs recovered—										
Re Loans	...	...	...	...	£171	6	6			
„ License	...	...	...	...	12	-	-			
„ Rent	...	...	...	...	3	2	-			
Law-costs, &c.	...	...	...	...	1	6	-			
								187	14	6
Proceeds of sales of carcasses—										
Re Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	...	...	...	...				43	19	1
Plans, &c., sold	...	...	...	...				2	17	6
Drain-junctions to main sewers	...	...	...	...				4	14	11
Refund of cost of chemicals supplied to gas-testing stations	...	...	...	...				4	19	6
Refund of cost of repairs to posts, Finsbury-park	...	...	...	...				2	-	-
										37,228 10 2

FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.

Contributions from insurance companies	...	...	...	...				1	12	4
Contributions from men towards rent	...	...	...	...				104	3	-
Chimney-fire penalties...	...	...	...	...				25	9	6
										131 4 10

BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			25 7 2
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MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.

Refund by the Fulham District Board of cost of constructing branch sewer, Stamford-brook (East)	...	...	...	...	...	...				100 - -
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HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	49	6	-
Deposit, re fixtures	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	-	-
										79 6 -

THAMES FLOODS PREVENTION.

Refund of cost of works executed by the Board	...	...	...	...						78 15 -
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DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	16	-
Sales—Goulston-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,275	-	-
										1,282 16 -

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	969	7	7
Loans—										
Interest	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£1,175	7	10
Repayment	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	873	5	11
										2,048 13 9
Thames Floods Prevention works—										
Interest and repayment	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	8	3
Sales—										
Southwark-bridge-road	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£147	4	-
Upper-street (fixtures)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	-	-
										167 4 -

Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund—

Coal and Wine dues for the quarter ended 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	97,006	3	1			
										100,191 16 8
										£139,117 15 10

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £27,163 2s. 4d., be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 6th July, 1883 (No. 8), your Committee have had before them a Statement of the Salaries which will become payable to the Board's Officers on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £9,247 5s. 11d., which Statement has been approved by your Committee; and they beg to submit the same, and to recommend—

That the Board do pass an Order authorising the Treasurer to pay the several amounts on or after the 25th instant.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the Estimates of the several amounts required to be raised for the expenditure of the Board for the year 1886, and they have directed that such Estimates be printed, and that copies be sent to the Members of the Board for their information previously to their being submitted to the Board; and as it is usual for the Board to fix a day for the consideration of the Estimates, your Committee recommend—

That Friday, the 19th instant, at One o'clock p.m., be fixed for that purpose.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of St. Pancras, for payment of the Board's promised contribution towards the Improvement at Mabledon-place, Euston-road, referred by the Board on the 30th October, 1885 (No. 7.) The Board on the 10th February, 1882 (No. 6), agreed to contribute one-half of the net cost, not exceeding £2,575, of effecting an Improvement by the widening of Mabledon-place, and also the road-way on the Eastern side of Burton-crescent. Difficulties having arisen as to carrying out the works at Burton-crescent, they have had to be abandoned. The works at Mabledon-place have now all been completed, and the surplus lands sold, and the Accounts show that the net sum of £3,130 12s. 1d. has been paid by the Vestry for the land acquired, in addition to £2,056 15s. 11d. for works. The Works and General Purposes Committee of the Board having had the detailed Accounts of the Vestry's expenditure, and Reports from the Board's Officers before them, decided to recommend the Board to reduce their contribution to a moiety of the above-mentioned sum of £3,130 12s. 1d., and on the 6th instant (No. 11), the Board approved of the same, and your Committee, having received a Certificate that the works are all completed, recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £1,565 in favour of the Vestry of St. Pancras, being the amount to which the contribution was limited by the Board on the 6th instant in respect of the Improvement effected at Mabledon-place, Euston-road.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of St. Marylebone, requesting permission to borrow, and also for the Loan, of a sum of £14,000, to defray the cost of wood paving works, referred by the Board on the 12th ultimo (No. 7). The Vestry propose to pave with wooden blocks, laid on Portland cement concrete foundations 6 inches in thickness, the carriage-ways of several streets in their Parish, estimated at 34,866 yards, at a cost (9s. per yard) of £15,689 14s. Your Engineer has examined the estimate, and reports the price to be fair and reasonable, and your Committee, seeing no objection to the Loan, recommend—

That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. Marylebone, for permission to borrow and also for the loan of a sum of £14,000, to defray the cost of wood paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being

charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January within 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Greenwich District Board for a Loan of a sum of £15,000, to defray the cost of paving works, referred by the Board on the 12th ultimo, (No. 10). The District Board propose to pave the Tramway margins in the Greenwich-road, (from Wellington-grove), London-street, Romney-road, and Trafalgar-road (to Marsh-lane), being a continuous length of about 2,666 yards of carriage-way, and to lay down about 16,000 superficial yards of granite cubes on lias lime concrete foundations, 6 inches in thickness, at an estimated cost of £11,600 and £230 for new granite kerbing, also 5,000 yards of 3 inches by 6 inches improved wood paving on Portland cement concrete foundations 6 inches in thickness, at a cost (13s. 6d. per yard), of about £3,375, making a total of £15,205. Your Engineer has examined the estimate for the proposed works and reports it to be fair and reasonable, and having regard thereto, and to the necessity for the works your Committee recommend—

That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Greenwich District Board for permission to borrow, and also for the loan of a sum of £15,000 to defray the cost of paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, as to £12,000 required for granite paving within 20 years, and as to £3,000 for wood paving within 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

On the 12th February last (No. 13) the Board agreed to lend the sum of £3,500 to the Vestry of Hampstead for defraying the cost of works at their Vestry-hall, re-payable in 30 years. The Treasury, having been requested to give their consent to the Loan, as required by the Board's Loans Act, have objected to the period for re-payment of £741, the amount for painting and decorative works, being extended beyond 4 years. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to provide that such amount be re-paid within that period.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Guardians of the Poor of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union for further Loans of £13,776 and £6,290, referred by the Board on the 22nd January last (No. 29). The advance is required to meet the cost of building boundary walls, the sinking of a well, the erection of a large bake-house, engine-house, store, sample, and search rooms, and other substantial works, at an estimated cost of £13,776, and for fittings for the dining-hall, Chapel, clothes-racks, shelving, cupboards, and gas-fittings, and for Engineer's works to the bake-house, and additional heating and hot water supply, at an estimated cost of £6,290. Your Superintending Architect has examined the Plans and details of the several works, and the buildings have also been inspected and reported upon, and your Committee, having regard thereto, recommend—

That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union, for a further Loan of a sum of £13,776 towards the cost of erecting their new Workhouse, and of £6,290 for fittings for the same, be granted to the extent of £19,900, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, calculated quarterly, and the principal, as to £13,500, being re-paid by such equal half-yearly payments as, reckoning principal and interest together, will re-pay the sum borrowed in 30 years, and as to £6,400, the interest being paid quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal by equal annual instalments on each 31st January within 15 years; that the sum of £21 be charged for Surveyor's Fees; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Guardians of the Poor of St. Marylebone, stating that they had an unexpended balance of £2,478 17s. 10d. in hand, of a Loan of £15,000 granted to them in August, 1876, and enquiring whether the Board will receive back the money, and, if so, upon what terms and conditions, referred by the Board on the 5th ultimo (No. 52). The interest charged on the Loan in question, was at the rate of £3 15s. per centum per annum, and the re-payment of the amount was spread over 30 years, and to be made by equal half-yearly instalments of principal and interest combined. A special table had to be constructed, and recorded to cover the payment over the entire period of the Loan, and any alteration of the present arrangement would cause considerable inconvenience, and, under these circumstances, your Committee recommend—

That the Guardians of St. Marylebone be informed, in reply to their application, that their request cannot be complied with.

On the 12th October, 1883 (No. 4), the Board, on the recommendation of your Committee, directed that all applications for Loans from Guardians and other Public Bodies requiring the approval of the Local Government Board should be referred to the Officers to report as to the nature and cost of the works, with a view to fixing the amount of Loan, and the period of years over which the re-payment of such Loans should be spread. That course has been pursued up to the present time, but your Solicitor has now reported that with a view to give more protection to the Board, as well as to obviate delay and cost to the borrowers a Clause was inserted in the Board's Money Bill of 1885, to the following effect:—

“Where under the authority of this or any other Act the Board lend
“any money to any Corporation, body of Commissioners, public body, or
“persons, the exercise of whose powers of borrowing is subject to the consent
“of the Local Government Board, the sanction of that Board to the borrowing
“of such moneys shall in every such case be conclusive evidence that such
“Corporation, body of Commissioners, public body, or persons, had power to
“borrow such moneys.”

Your Solicitor has consulted the Board's Conveyancing Counsel on the subject, and reports it as his opinion that the Section may be taken to afford the necessary protection to the Board, and that it will no longer be needful or desirable for them to make independent enquiry as to the purposes for which the money is sought to be borrowed. Under these circumstances it becomes unnecessary for your Officers to report in future upon applications for the Loans above referred to, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the Order of the Board of the 12th October, 1883, (No. 4), directing that all applications for Loans to Guardians and other bodies, requiring the approval of the Local Government Board, should be referred to your Officers to report, be not further acted upon.

Your Committee recommend—

That the undermentioned Cheques having been drawn longer than three months be cancelled—

Streets (Act of 1877) Account.

No. 8318.	7th August, 1885.	Haynes, B., re Bygrave	...	...	£16 16 0
„ 8447.	16th November, 1885.	Haynes, B., re Bygrave	...	...	10 10 0

Dwelling House Improvement Fund.

No. 5548.	30th November, 1885.	Lea, F.	...	...	...	65 0 0
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All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
JNO. ABBOTT,
GEORGE JAMES,
JOHN TOLHURST,
P. W. FUNNELL.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

£ s. d. £ s. d.

INSPECTORS UNDER CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT—

Allowances for services, quarter to 31st December, 1885—(672)—

6231	Hunting, W.	...	...	...	...	£20	15	—
6232	Ridler, F. H.	...	...	...	...	18	5	6
6233	Woodger, E.	...	...	...	...	19	10	—
6234	Broad, A.	...	...	...	...	26	18	—
6235	Shaw, H. K.	...	...	...	...	88	18	6
6236	Tegg, G.	...	...	...	...	22	—	1
6238	Ingersoll, F. R.	...	...	...	...	43	—	—
6239	Springett, H.	...	...	...	...	14	18	7
6240	Lupton, J. I.	...	...	...	...	12	1	6
6241	Lowe, C.	...	...	...	...	6	3	9
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STREET BROTHERS—(718)—

6242	Advertisements, January, 1886...	...	...	...	...	31	13	—
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WHATCOTT, J.—(527)—

6243	Boots for constable at Highbury-fields, February, 1886	...	...	...	...	3	4	—
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RADFORD, D., & Co—(676)—

6244	Coals and coke for pumping-stations and sewage experiments, January, 1886	...	...	...	...	587	4	5
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GRIFFITHS, J. J.—(731)—

6245	Further on account of contract for repairs to tramway, &c., at Stratford-road (No. 746)	...	...	...	...	600	—	—
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GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY—(660)—

6246	Street lamp for Victoria-embankment, December, 1885	...	...	...	...	2	5	6
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RUTTY, G. G.—(596)—

6247	Balance of bill for metalling roadway, and maintaining, cleansing, and watering carriage and footways of embankment, quarter to 27th December, 1885	...	...	...	...	1,9½	6	4
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BAKER, B.—(675)—

6248	Professional charges for reporting on the roof of the National Agricultural Hall, November, 1885 (The amount has been paid to the Board)	...	...	...	...	21	—	—
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FRASER, J.—(600)—

6249	Shrubs for Hackney-downs, December, 1885	...	...	...	...	42	3	—
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VEITCH, J., AND SONS—(605)—

6250	Seeds for Southwark-park, January, 1886	...	...	...	...	3	10	—
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LAPTHORNE, T., AND Co.—(606)—

6251	Balance of bill for repairing, painting, &c., fencing, at Blackheath, (Contract No. 761)	...	...	...	...	37	12	—
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MACFARLANE BROTHERS—(601)—

6252	Repairs at Finsbury-park, November, 1885	...	...	...	...	2	—	6
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MOWLEM, J., AND Co.—(602)—

6253	Materials for erection of carpenter's shed and store-room at Finsbury-park, October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	10	7	2
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SPENCER, W. E.—(604)—

6254	Food for waterfowl at Finsbury-park, October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	7	18	—
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METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSIONERS, per Bank of England—(603)—

6255	Services of constables at Finsbury and Southwark-parks, Victoria-embankment-gardens, and Leicester-square, quarter to 31st December, 1885...	...	...	...	...	298	5	6
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BRASS, W., AND SON—(713)—

6256	Shoring, hoarding, &c., dangerous structures	...	...	...	...	22	5	5
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Carried forward	...	...	£3,914	5	9	...
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						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward						...	...	3,914	5	9	...
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(712)—											
Fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures—											
6257	Ashbridge, A.	...	...	...	...	£2	5	—			
6258	Bovill, A...	...	...	...	...	2	12	6			
6259	Carritt, E.	...	...	...	...	4	15	—			
6260	Clarkson, J.	...	...	...	...	2	10	—			
6261	Conder, A.	...	...	...	...	10	5	—			
6262	Fletcher, B.	...	...	...	...	8	12	6			
6263	Foulsham, C.	...	...	...	...	3	5	—			
6264	Fowler, C.	...	...	...	...	4	17	6			
6265	Hammon, H. J.	...	...	...	...	9	7	6			
6266	Kerr, R. ...	...	...	...	...	2	15	—			
6267	Knightley, T. E.	...	...	...	...	4	10	—			
6268	Lansdown, G.	...	...	...	...	3	15	—			
6269	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
6270	Markham, S. S.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
6271	Moseley, A.	...	...	...	...	8	11	2			
6272	Plumbe, R.	...	...	...	...	4	—	—			
6273	Tabberer, B.	...	...	...	...	2	—	—			
6274	Wallen, F.	...	...	...	...	3	12	6			
6275	Woodthorpe, E.	...	...	...	...	4	12	6			
									86	11	2
HICKS, J. J.—(436)—											
6276	Apparatus for chemical department, February, 1886	...	...	...	...				5	11	—
FEES for information and extracts from rate books, for making rates in default of payment of precepts, and for rentals—(720)—											
6277	McNeill, W.—Glasshouse-yard	...	...	...	...	£2	5	6			
6278	Milton, T. H.—Inner Temple	...	...	...	...	2	2	—			
									4	7	6
RETIRING ALLOWANCES, &c., of late Officers, to Lady-day, 1886—											
Quarterly list—(679)—											
6279	Benson, W.	...	...	...	...	£22	10	—			
6280	Aris, E. ...	...	...	...	...	4	—	—			
6281	Cooper, E.	...	...	...	...	100	—	—			
6282	Gibson, T.	...	...	...	...	46	13	4			
6283	Greensill, F.	...	...	...	...	13	13	—			
6284	Holland, T.	...	...	...	...	16	17	6			
6285	Lovegrove, J.,	...	...	...	...	18	4	2			
6286	Napier, H. W.	...	...	...	...	13	15	—			
6287	Rumble, R. A.	...	...	...	...	33	15	—			
									269	8	—
Monthly list—(678)—											
6288	Fernley, G.	...	...	...	...	£3	15	6			
6289	Kennedy, T.	...	...	...	...	8	17	9			
6290	Welsh, R.	...	...	...	...	4	3	4			
6291	Whitworth, E.	...	...	...	...	5	—	—			
									21	16	7
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, <i>re</i> disposal of sewage of Metropolis—(725)—											
6292	Abel, Sir F.	...	...	...	...	£125	—	—			
6293	Dupré, Dr.	...	...	...	...	125	—	—			
6294	Williamson, Professor A. W.	...	...	...	...	125	—	—			
6295	Odling, Professor	...	...	...	...	125	—	—			
									500	—	—
NEW RIVER Co.—(734)—											
6296	Hydrants fixed in the Parish of St. Pancras, June to August, 1885	...	...	...	...	1,297	14	1			
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GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.											
LONDON AND SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY Co.—(724)—											
6297	Proportion of cost of pulling down and reconstructing bridge over the Railway at Wandsworth	...	...	...	...				1,695	4	7
Carried forward						...	...	...	£7,794	18	8

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward							7,794	18	8
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.									
SHAND, MASON AND Co.—(668)—									
2565	Gun-metal delivery-breechings, November, 1885	...	...	15	12	—			
SEARLE AND SONS—(669)—									
2566	Skiffs with appliances for use in connection with floats, February, 1886	...	...	63	10	—			
ROSE, W., AND Co.—(667)—									
2567	India-rubber-lined-hose, January, 1886	...	...	214	10	—			
PFEIL AND Co.—(664)—									
2568	Tools and materials for use in workshops, April and May, 1885	...	...	17	19	6			
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(666)—									
2569	Coals for stations and floats, January, 1886	...	...	389	7	3			
COMPTON, J., AND SONS—(661)—									
2570	Kersey blanketing, February, 1886	...	...	17	8	—			
GOTCH, T. H., AND SONS—(662)—									
2571	Boots for firemen, &c., February, 1886	...	...	604	17	3			
MOORE, A.—(663)—									
2572	Lamp-tablets, September, 1885...	...	...	91	11	6			
H. M. POSTMASTER-GENERAL—(671 & 526)—									
2573	Cost of transferring telegraph wires to new station, Bishopsgate-street, October, 1885	...	...	£8	13	8			
	Rental of telegraph wires and instruments, quarter to 31st December, 1885...	...	...	1,408	19	4			
							1,417	13	—
OFFICERS RETIRING ALLOWANCES, due Lady-day, 1886 —									
Quarterly list—(681)—									
2574	Barker, J. E.	...	...	£22	17	2			
2575	Barton, J.	...	...	26	2	2			
2576	Brewer, W. E.	...	...	8	—	4			
2577	Bridge, J....	...	...	27	3	10			
2578	Bridgman, J.	...	...	9	15	—			
2579	Brown, W. C.	...	...	14	16	10			
2580	Brundell, W.	...	...	21	4	8			
2581	Bull, G. ...	...	...	19	10	—			
2582	Byfield, W.	...	...	17	18	7			
2583	Clarke, W. F.	...	...	9	15	—			
2584	Cooper, G.	...	...	5	—	—			
2585	Flinn, W....	...	...	27	3	10			
2586	Gerrard, G.	...	...	27	3	10			
2587	Green, C....	...	...	13	16	3			
2588	Helps, S. ...	...	...	13	16	3			
2589	Holloway, W.	...	...	7	10	—			
2590	Holmden, A.	...	...	33	8	3			
2591	Johnson, A.	...	...	24	9	8			
2592	Mason, J....	...	...	13	13	—			
2593	Morris, G.	...	...	10	—	—			
2594	McNutt, F. W.	...	...	13	—	—			
2595	Nisbet, H.	...	...	13	—	—			
2596	Percival, R.	...	...	27	3	10			
2597	Piggott, W.	...	...	27	3	10			
2598	Robbins, G.	...	...	24	9	8			
2599	Sherred, A.	...	...	6	10	—			
2600	Smart, W. T.	...	...	36	8	—			
2601	Steer, R. ...	...	...	11	11	10			
2602	Taylor, W. H.	...	...	9	15	—			
2603	Trimming, D. A.	...	...	19	11	1			
2604	Ward, J. R.	...	...	13	16	3			
2605	Wood, S. J.	...	...	14	16	10			
							570	11	—
Carried forward				£3,402	19	6	7,794	18	8

					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...			21,610	1	8
PETT, W.—(726)—										
1900	Repairs to premises occupied by tenants of the Board or taken for improvements, December, 1885—									
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	3	7	11		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	64	5	1		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	66	-	9		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1884)</i>	...	...	...	...	-	16	4		
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	14	1	8		
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	78	14	2		
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	79	13	5		
									306	19 4
FLEURET, J. B., AND SON—(721)—										
1901	Surveyors' fees, March, 1884, to December, 1885—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	124	7	-		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	150	19	2		
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	34	15	3		
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	60	17	-		
									370	18 5
SOUTHWARK AND VAUXHALL WATER Co, per F. Baker—(682)—										
1902	Water for premises, occupied by tenants of the Board—									
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	...	-	11	-		
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	2	15	6		
									3	6 6
BURCHELL W.—(674)—										
1903	Sheriff's fees, January to July, 1885—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	7	5	-		
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	31	2	-		
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	11	9			
									49	16 -
RUSSELL, W.—(711)—										
1904	Commission on weekly rents collected, February, 1886—									
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	...	1	5	4		
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	2	-	8		
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	2	19	7		
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	8	2	-		
									14	7 7
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(735 and 736)—										
Repayment of advances—										
1905	Weekly wages—Two weeks to 3rd March, 1886—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£1,588	9	8			
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	7	5	6			
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account...</i>	...	...	...	10	10	-			
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	18	6	-			
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	87	18	-			
	<i>Parks and Open Spaces...</i>	...	...	...	18	10	8			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	6	6	-			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1884)</i>	...	...	...	5	12	-			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	2	8	-			
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	15	17	2			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	79	8	-			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	21	-	-			
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	25	19	-			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	42	16	-			
								1,930	6	-
Firemen's wages—Two weeks to 6th March, 1886—										
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	2,006	-	9			
Weekly pensions, to 27th February, 1886—										
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	..	...	55	6	8			
								3,991	13	5
	Carried forward	...	...	...	£26,347	2	11			

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ...		...			...			26,347	2	11
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)—											
1906	Petty disbursements, 15th to 27th February, 1886—										
	<i>a</i> General Working Account ...	...	69	2	7						
	<i>b</i> Fire Brigade Working Account ...	£5 16 5									
	Fire Brigade Capital Account ...	— 5 10									
			6	2	3						
	<i>c</i> Thames Floods Prevention ...	...	3	10	1						
	<i>d</i> Bridges (Maintenance) Account ...	...	—	18	5						
	<i>e</i> Dwelling House Improvement Fund ...	...	—	12	9						
	<i>f</i> Consolidated Loans Fund ...	...	—	15	1						
			81	1	2						
	Income-tax <i>re</i> Ward (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—										
	<i>g</i> Streets (Act of 1883) ...	...	—	6	—						
	Costs of comparing abstract, <i>re</i> Gosden (Charing-cross)—										
	<i>h</i> Streets (Act of 1877) ...	...	—	18	—						
	Rent-charge in lieu of land-tax, <i>re</i> Marquis Camden (St. Pancras)—										
	<i>i</i> Streets (Act of 1884) ...	...	1	15	4						
	Compensations to tenants on removal—										
	<i>j</i> Streets (Act of 1877) ...	£27 — —									
	Streets (Act of 1883) ...	4 — —									
	Hampstead Improvements ...	27 10 —									
	Dwelling House Improvement Fund ...	31 — —									
			89	10	—						
	Postages, 15th to 27th February, 1886—										
	<i>k</i> General Working Account ...	£33 — —									
	Fire Brigade Working Account ...	10 — —									
			43	—	—				216	10	6
	Travelling and other expenses of assistant engineer, inspecting links for Hammersmith-bridge—										
	<i>l</i> Bridges (Act of 1883) ...	...	3	17	8						
	Fire Brigade Working Account—										
	<i>m</i> Rent of lodgings for firemen, February, 1886 ...	...	122	—	—						
	<i>n</i> Rates, Knightsbridge station ...	...	30	16	6						
	Rates on premises occupied by tenants of the Board—										
	<i>o</i> Consolidated Loans Fund ...	...	45	16	—				202	10	2
	Amounts to be paid through the Account—										
	Bills for sums under £2—										
	<i>p</i> General Working Account—										
	Provident Clerks and General Guarantee Association, Limited—Premium for guarantee of Mr. Bevan ...	£1 5 —									
	Swift, G. F., & Co.—Composition for multograph ...	— 19 —									
	Corry, Soper and Co., Limited— Tobacco rag for Finsbury-park ...	1 5 —									
	Firmin and Sons, Limited—Cap plates for park, &c., constables ...	1 17 6									
	Mulley and Co.—Repairs to gardening implements ...	— 11 6									
	Oakley, G. and J.—Ice-ladder for Tooting-beck ...	1 5 —									
	Miller, S. E.—Pentane for chemi- cal department ...	— 18 9									
	District Surveyors — Fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures ...	11 — —									
			19	1	9						
	Carried forward ...		£19	1	9	419	—	8	26,347	2	11

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26,347	2	11
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued) ...	19	1	9	419	-	8			
Rates and taxes for premises occupied or taken by the Board for improvements—									
<i>q</i> Fire Brigade Working Account ...	159	6	2						
<i>r</i> Bridges (Maintenance) Account ...	1	19	5						
<i>s</i> Hampstead Improvements ...	4	7	-						
<i>t</i> Dwelling House Improvement Fund ...	38	15	1						
<i>u</i> Streets (Act of 1883) ...	£2	3	9						
Consolidated Loans Fund ...	36	1	-						
				38	4	9			
<i>v</i> Consolidated Loans Fund ...	135	4	7						
							396	18	9
									815 19 5
									£27,163 2 4

Examined,
(signed)

T. G. FARDELL,
GEORGE JAMES,
WILLIAM URQUHART,
P. W. FUNNELL,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
CHAS^s. HARRIS,
JNO. ABBOTT.

Certified,
(signed)

A. GUNN,
Accountant.

The Statement of the Officers' Salaries, submitted with the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £27,163 2s. 4d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Fees specified in the Three summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to C inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Ashbridge, A. ...	3	2 5 -	...	...	2 5 -
2	Blashill, T. ...	1	1 5 -	...	...	1 5 -
3	Bovill, A. ...	3	2 12 6	...	...	2 12 6
4	Carritt, E. ...	4	4 15 -	...	...	4 15 -
5	Clarkson, J. ...	2	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
6	Conder, A. ...	8	10 5 -	...	...	10 5 -
7	Fletcher, B. ...	9	8 12 6	...	...	8 12 6
8	Foulsham, C. ...	5	3 5 -	...	...	3 5 -
9	Fowler, C. ...	3	4 2 6	1	- 15 -	4 17 6
10	Hammon, H. J. ...	6	9 7 6	...	...	9 7 6
11	Kerr, R. ...	1	1 17 6	1	- 17 6	2 15 -
12	Knightley, T. E. ...	3	4 10 -	...	...	4 10 -
13	Lansdown, G. ...	3	3 15 -	...	...	3 15 -
14	Legg, H. S. ...	1	1 17 6	...	...	1 17 6
15	McDonell, G. ...	3	2 2 6	...	...	2 2 6
16	Markham, S. S. ...	2	2 2 6	...	...	2 2 6
	Carried forward ...	57	65 5 -	2	1 12 6	66 17 6

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	57	65 5 -	2	1 12 6	66 17 6
17	Moseley, A. ...	10	8 11 2	...	...	8 11 2
18	Parsons, H. ...	1	1 7 6	...	...	1 7 6
19	Peebles, A. ...	1	1 5 -	1	- 7 6	1 12 6
20	Plumbe, R. ...	4	3 5 -	1	- 15 -	4 - -
21	Stenning, A. R. ...	2	1 5 -	1	- 12 6	1 17 6
22	Tabberer, B. ...	2	2 - -	...	...	2 - -
23	Wallen, F. ...	3	3 5 -	1	- 7 6	3 12 6
24	Watson, T. H. ...	1	1 7 6	...	...	1 7 6
25	Williams, A. ...	3	1 12 6	...	...	1 12 6
26	Woodthorpe, E. ...	7	4 12 6	...	...	4 12 6
		91	93 16 2	6	3 15 -	97 11 2

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the under-mentioned expenses, incident to shoring and hoarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
34,043	33, Boundary-street, Shoreditch ...	2 14 11
34,046	6, Mydle-street, Mile-end Old-town ...	4 15 10
34,182 & 34,198 to 34,204	1 to 8, Little-vale-place, Fulham ...	6 17 8
34,367	5, Chapel-street, Woolwich ...	- 12 7
34,369	8, Walpole-place, Woolwich ...	3 15 8
34,371	34, High-street, Woolwich ...	- 12 7
34,392	10, York-place, High-street, Highgate ...	- 12 7
34,573	"The Beehive" public-house, Bridge-street, Greenwich ...	1 11 -
34,600 and 1	15 and 17, Furze-street, Bromley ...	- 12 7
		£ 22 5 5

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Statement now submitted, showing the Salaries payable to the Officers of the Board on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £9,247 5s. 11d., be approved, and that the Treasurer of the Board, the London and Westminster Bank (Limited), be authorised to pay the several sums specified in such Statement, to the persons entitled to receive the same.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Estimates of the amounts required to be raised in the Precepts for the year 1886, be considered by the Board on Friday next, the 19th instant, at One o'clock p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £1,565, in favour of the Vestry of St. Pancras, being the amount of the Board's promised contribution towards effecting the Improvement at Mabledon-place, Euston-road.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. Marylebone, for permission to borrow, and also for the loan of a sum of £14,000, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January within a period of six years ;

that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan ; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to this Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Greenwich District Board for permission to borrow, and also for the loan of a sum of £15,000, to defray the cost of paving works, be granted on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, as to £12,000, required for granite paving, within a period of Twenty years, and as to £3,000, for wood paving, within a period of Six years ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Loan of £3,500 agreed to be advanced to the Vestry of Hampstead, for works at their Vestry Hall, be approved, and that inasmuch as the Treasury have declined to sanction a longer period than Four years for the re-payment of £741, a part of such Loan, the Solicitor be instructed to provide that such amount be re-paid within that period.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union, for a further Loan of a sum of £13,776, towards defraying the cost of erecting their new Workhouse, and £6,290 for fittings for the same, be granted to the extent of £19,900, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, calculated quarterly, and the principal, as to £13,500, being re-paid by such equal half-yearly payments as, reckoning principal and interest together, will re-pay the sum borrowed within a period of Thirty years, and as to £6,400, the interest being paid quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, within a period of Fifteen years ; that the sum of £21 be charged for Surveyor's Fees ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of St. Marylebone be informed, in reply to their request, that the Board would accept the re-payment of £2,478 17s. 10d., being the unexpended balance of a Loan granted in the year 1876, that it cannot be complied with.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Order of the Board of the 12th October, 1883 (No. 4), directing that all applications for Loans to Guardians and other bodies requiring the sanction of the Local Government Board should be referred to the Superintending Architect for report, be not further acted upon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the undermentioned Cheques, having been drawn longer than Three months, be now cancelled—

Streets (Act of 1877) Account.

No. 8318.	1885, 7th August.	Haynes, B., <i>re</i> Bygrave	...	£16 16 0
,, 8447.	1885, 16th November.	Haynes, B., <i>re</i> Bygrave	...	10 10 0

Dwelling House Improvement Fund.

No. 5548.	1885, 30th November.	Lea, F.	...	...	65 0 0
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And the said Cheques were cancelled accordingly.

8. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 8th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Highbury-fields.</i>				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Dawes—(684)—</i>									
Phelps, Woodforde and Co.—									
3	Costs of Purchase, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	79	18	—
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>									
<i>Re London and County Bank (Piccadilly)—(685 and 686)—</i>									
Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—									
8684	Harman, O. G.	...	...	£27	6	—			
8685	Francis, A. E....	...	...	22	10	8			
							49	16	8
Francis, A. E.—									
8686	Interest on Purchase-money (less proportion of ground-rent) from 4th March, 1885, to 26th February, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	48	—	—			
<i>Re Carter (Charing-cross)—(687)—</i>									
Hodgson, C. H.—									
8687	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	5	15	6			
<i>Re Watson (Charing-cross)—(688)—</i>									
Cooke, W. C.—									
8688	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	5	—	—			
<i>Re Waters (Charing-cross)—(689)—</i>									
Seymour, E.—									
8689	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	5	5	—			
<i>Re Nagle (Charing-cross)—(690)—</i>									
Nagle, Archibald—									
8690	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy in No. 42, Cranbourne-street, including loss of business	...	...	350	—	—			
Klenck, J. M., and Co.—									
8691	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	10	10	—	474	7	2
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>									
<i>Re Parrington (Upper-street, Islington)—(691)—</i>									
Parrington, Wm. Hudson—									
853	Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in No. 311, Upper-street	...	...	£150	—	—			
854	Trade compensation	...	...	680	—	—	830	—	—
Baines, C., and Ball—									
855	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	...	19	19	—			
<i>Re Brown (Upper-street, Islington)—(692)—</i>									
Jaques, Layton and Jaques—									
856	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	10	7	8			
	Carried forward	...	...	£860	6	8	554	5	2

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	860	6	8	554	5	2
<i>Re Hope's Trustees (Bermondsey)—(693)—</i>								
	Bank of England, for Chancery—							
857	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in No. 6, Bermondsey-new-road	...	1,835	-	-			
	Haynes, B.—							
858	Surveyor's Fees, as per Contract	...	27	6	-			
<i>Re Gauntlett (Bermondsey)—(694)—</i>								
	Gauntlett, Albert James—							
859	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 5, Bermondsey-new-road	...	£200	-	-			
860	Trade compensation	...	725	-	-			
	Haynes, B.—					925	-	-
861	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	23	2	-			
<i>Re Callon (Bermondsey)—(695)—</i>								
	Callon, Mrs. Catherine—							
862	Compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 23, Star-corner	...	220	-	-			
<i>Re Newth (Bermondsey)—(696)—</i>								
	Newth, Jno. Adam—							
863	Compensation for yearly tenancy in Nos. 3½ and 4, Bermondsey-square	...	75	-	-			
	Balls, W. H.—							
864	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	4	16	-			
<i>Re Jerman (Bermondsey)—(697)—</i>								
	Jerman, Miss Margaret—							
865	Compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 34, Star-corner	...	130	-	-			
	Haynes, B.—							
866	Surveyor's Fee	...	7	7	-			
						4,107	17	8
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re Sir S. M. M. Wilson—(698)—</i>								
	Bell, Stewards and May—							
303	Proportion of apportioned Rent of Nos. 1 to 4, Baker's-row; No. 8, Little Church-row; and house at rear of No. 59, High-street, from 30th April, 1885, to 10th March, 1886 (less Tax)	...	15	19	6			
<i>Re St. John's Church Trustees—(699)—</i>								
	Bank of England—							
304	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of part of plantation in Perrin's-court	...	150	-	-			
	Monro, F. J.—							
305	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	7	7	-			
<i>Re Rogers—(700)—</i>								
	Barton and Pearman—							
306	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	10	-	6			
	Carried forward	...	£183	7	-	4,662	2	10

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	183	7	-	4,662	2	10
<i>Re</i> Moy—(701)—								
	Cooke, W. C.—							
	307 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	7	7	-			
<i>Re</i> Ralph—(702)—								
	Cooke, W. C.—							
	308 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	6	6	-			
<i>Re</i> Potter—(703 and 704)—								
	Robinson, Preston and Stow—							
	309 Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	9	9	-			
	310 Taxed Costs of inquiry before Jury	...	200	3	2			
<i>Re</i> Sir S. M. M. Wilson—(706)—								
	Wilson, Sir S. M. M., per Bell, Stewards and May—							
	311 Purchase-money and compensation for enfranchisement of Copyhold and redemption of Rent-charges—							
	<i>Re</i> Lely and Coxwell	... £110	-	-				
	„ Primitive Methodist Chapel	... 572	-	-				
	„ City of London Brewery Co.	... 700	-	-				
	„ Lovell	... 303	-	-				
	„ Langridge	... 531	-	-				
			2,266	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Sell—(705)—								
	Sell, Mrs. Emma—							
	312 Further gratuity in respect of loss of business and removal from No. 76, High-street...	...	6	-	-	2,678	12	2
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>							
<i>Re</i> Trumble (Tench-street)—(707)—								
	Bank of England, for Chancery—							
	5697 Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 24, Lower Gun-alley	...	280	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Paterson (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(708)—								
	Aird, H., and Pascoe, V. L.—							
	5698 Purchase-money for yearly tenancy in No. 9, Butcher's-row	...	80	-	-	360	-	-
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>							
<i>Re</i> Marquess of Salisbury (Charing-cross)—(709)—								
	Nicholson and Herbert—							
	1551 Rent of premises in Bear-street, Cranbourne-alley, Castle-street, Cranbourne-street, Hemming's-row, and White Hart-court, from Midsummer to 26th August, 1885 (less Tax)		224	1	7			
<i>Re</i> Stoneley (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(710)—								
	Cooke, W. C.—							
	1552 Proportion of Rent, less ground-rent, of No. 27, Green-street, from Christmas, 1885, to 26th February, 1886 (less Tax)	...	6	18	3	230	19	10
						£7,931	14	10

Your Committee have also drawn a Cheque, as follows, in lieu of a Cheque for £185, drawn on 10th August, 1883, and cancelled on 23rd November, 1883—

Dwelling House Improvement Fund.

Re Davis (Goulston-street)—(2008-1883)—

5699	Davis, Mrs. Jane Martha—Compensation	...	...	£50 - -
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In continuation of Reports already made to the Board by your Committee on the subject of Tramway Schemes, they have now to state that they have considered the Southwark and Deptford Tramways Bill. In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 19th ultimo, your Committee have received a Deputation from the Greenwich District Board in favour of the Bill, and they have also had before them the Memorial, referred on Friday last (No. 46), from ratepayers, inhabitants, and others, resident in Deptford and Greenwich, embodying Resolutions passed at a public meeting, to the effect that the Memorialists were of opinion that the construction of a new street from Evelyn-street to Creek-road was a much needed Improvement, and that the simultaneous extension and construction of the proposed Southwark and Deptford Tramways, from Evelyn-street to Greenwich would be of great advantage to the residents of Greenwich and Deptford. Your Committee, after a careful consideration of the proposed Scheme, and having given due attention to the representations made by the Memorialists, have come to the conclusion that it is one to which they cannot advise the Board to assent, and they accordingly recommend—

That the consent of the Board be not given to the introduction into Parliament of the Southwark and Deptford Tramways Bill.

The Board will remember that on the 27th November last (No. 6), your Committee presented a Report upon the references which had been made to them on the subject of the disposal of the Sewage of the Metropolis. They stated in that Report that they were satisfied that by chemical precipitation a good effluent water could be obtained, and that they were pursuing their enquiries as to the best method of dealing with the residue or sludge. Your Committee, although still unprepared to make a final Report, feel that the time has arrived when they may with advantage present a further and more detailed statement of the steps which have been taken up to the present time by the Board and your Committee, with the assistance of the Sub-Committee appointed some time since in relation to this question. To this end they beg to report as follows—

Immediately after the publication of the first Report of the Royal Commission on Sewage Discharge, the Board instructed their Engineer and Chemist to institute a series of experiments for the purpose of ascertaining the best method of complying with the recommendations of the Commission, and voted the sum of £1,000 for the purpose of those experiments, to assist in which Dr. Dupré, F.R.S., was retained.

As a preliminary measure the Chemist to the Board, Mr. Dibdin, and Dr. Dupré, commenced a series of experiments in their respective laboratories, and arrived at certain definite conclusions which served as a guide to the trials subsequently made at the Western Pumping Station, Pimlico. At this place apparatus was erected for the treatment of successive quantities of one thousand gallons of Sewage, which was subsequently arranged for the large quantities of one hundred thousand and two hundred and fifty thousand gallons.

These larger experiments were conducted for about three months, and demonstrated that chemical precipitation of the solid matters held in suspension can be effected by the addition of various re-agents, but that no practical advantage accrued from the addition to the Sewage of more precipitating matters than are really necessary for facilitating the natural tendency of the solids to deposit. The effect of adding large quantities of chemicals ensuring only a more perfect clarification without materially affecting the soluble constituents of the Sewage.

This primary point having been determined, attention was next given to the collection and disposal of the sludge. Although at first sight this appeared to be a tolerably simple matter, the enormous quantity of London Sewage rendered it imperative that more precise data should be obtained as to the quantity to be dealt with per day; its adaptability for transit, pressing, and ultimate disposal.

The evidence given before the Commission was of so conflicting a character, that it was felt that nothing short of a prolonged series of experiments on a tolerably large scale, extending over some months, and including day and night, would afford the information necessary before working plans could be drawn up for the erection of plant for treating the whole of the Sewage.

The Board, therefore, voted a sum of five thousand pounds in November, 1884, for the erection of works at the Crossness Outfall for the treatment of one million gallons of Sewage daily, and the pressing of the sludge obtained therefrom. These works were accordingly erected, and, while special attention was directed to the sludge, numerous experiments were made with regard to the chemicals employed for precipitation. The results of these have confirmed those first arrived at, viz., that the Sewage can be sufficiently clarified by the addition of 3·7 grains of lime and 1·0 grains of protosulphate of iron to each gallon of Sewage, and by subsidence in settling tanks during a period of from one to two hours. In addition to the removal of the solids, the grosser odours of the Sewage are destroyed, and the foul and offensive appearance removed.

The accompanying Reports of four very eminent Chemists (one of whom was a Member of the Royal Commission on the Metropolitan Sewage Discharge) are a sufficient guarantee as to the satisfactory condition of the effluent after the above treatment of the Sewage.

The two Reports are as follows—

27th October, 1885.

To the Sub-Committee on Sewage disposal of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—In response to the question, submitted to us for consideration through Mr. Dibdin, whether the treatment of Metropolitan Sewage with lime and sulphate of iron, in the proportion of 3·7 grains of the former to 1 grain of the latter to each gallon of Sewage, furnishes an effluent of such a character that we could recommend its discharge into the River at all states of the tide, we have, in the first place, to express our regrets that the shortness of time, within which it is desired to receive from us an expression of opinion, has not allowed of our making such a comprehensive examination of the matter as its importance would have rendered desirable.

We have, however, witnessed at Crossness the treatment of the Sewage in the manner indicated, and have made certain experiments with effluents obtained thereby, and we now submit the following statements on the subject—

- 1.—We are of opinion that the discharge into the River of such an effluent as is obtained by the treatment in question, and after such subsidence of the solid matters as is practically attainable, would be a very great gain over the discharge of untreated Sewage, and that the treatment does, apart from the precipitating action, exert a distinct purifying effect upon the liquid part of the Sewage. We consider, however, that the effluent produced by the proposed treatment retains a sufficiently unpleasant odour to prohibit its being discharged into the River during warm weather, in all states of the tide.
- 2.—As regards the mere production of a fairly clear effluent, our present impression is that little, if any, additional advantage would accrue, either from an increase in the proportions of the chemicals specified, or from a resort to other chemicals which would act merely as precipitants.
- 3.—We have reason to believe, however, from what we have seen in the way of experiment, that the addition of manganate of soda and sulphuric acid, or of other suitable oxidising agent to the fairly clear effluent obtained by the treatment with lime and sulphate of iron would so far deodorise and purify that effluent as to allow of its being afterwards discharged into the River, throughout the year, at all states of the tides.

- 4.—It is a question whether this supplementary treatment of the said effluent by an oxidising agent may not be dispensed with during the winter months.

We are, &c.,
 (Signed) F. A. ABEL.
 WM. ODLING.
 ALEXR. W. WILLIAMSON.
 A. DUPRÉ.

To the Sub-Committee on Sewage disposal of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—In our Report of the 27th October we expressed the following opinions, viz.—

- 1.—That the discharge into the River of an effluent obtained by the treatment of Sewage with lime and sulphate of iron, in the proportions of 3·7 grains of the former and 1 grain of the latter to each gallon of the Sewage, and by such subsidence of the solid matter as is practically attainable would be a very great gain over the discharge of untreated Sewage, but that such an effluent retains a sufficiently unpleasant odour to prohibit its being discharged into the River during warm weather at all states of the tide.
- 2.—That so far as regards the mere production of a fairly clear effluent, little, if any, additional advantage would accrue either from an increase in the proportions of the chemicals specified, or from a resort to other chemicals which would act merely as precipitants.
- 3.—That we have reason to believe that the addition of manganate of soda and sulphuric acid, or of other suitable oxidising agent to the fairly clear effluent obtained in the manner described, would so far deodorise and purify that effluent as to allow of its being afterwards discharged into the River throughout the year at all states of the tide.
- 4.—That it was a question whether this supplementary treatment of the effluent might not be dispensed with during the winter months.

We have nothing additional to observe with regard to statements 1 and 2, but with reference to 4 we have to state that additional observations made by us since the submission of our Report have led us to the conclusion that the concurrence during a considerable part of the year, of the comparatively low temperature, both of the Sewage and of the River into which it is discharged, with the greater dilution of the Sewage, renders a supplementary treatment of the fairly clear effluent obtained by the addition of lime and sulphate of iron unnecessary during the periods of such concurrence.

With a view to enable us to speak more definitely on the subject dealt with in Statement 3, we have instituted a number of experiments, not only with samples of average Sewage but also with samples representing exceptionally offensive conditions; we have, moreover, carried out our experiments not merely at the ordinary temperature, but also, under exceptionally severe conditions, as regards maintenance of the Sewage and the effluents at elevated temperatures and in confined spaces.

The results of these experiments have led us to the conclusion that, in cases when the supplementary treatment by an oxidising agent of the effluent, obtained by the use of lime and sulphate of iron, is necessary, the addition of manganate of soda, in some proportion ranging between 0·5 grain and 1·5 grains of the crude commercial manganate to one gallon of the effluent, together with sulphuric acid, in a proportion corresponding to about one-third of that of the crude manganate used, suffices to deodorize and purify the effluent to such an extent as to render its discharge into the River unobjectionable at all states of the tide.

We therefore recommend—

- 1.—That the Sewage be treated, throughout the year, with lime and sulphate of iron in the proportion of 3·7 grains of lime to 1 grain of sulphate of iron (green vitriol), to each gallon of Sewage.
- 2.—That, whenever it should be found that the fairly clear effluent obtained by that treatment is to any appreciable extent offensive, manganate of soda be added to the effluent in such proportions as are found to be necessary to deprive it of its offensive smell, those proportions to range between 0·5 grain 1·5 grains (inclusive of the crude commercial manganate), with sulphuric acid, (commercial oil of vitriol) in quantity equal to about one-third of the crude manganate added.

We are, &c.,
 (Signed) F. A. ABEL.
 ALEX. W. WILLIAMSON.
 WILLIAM ODLING.
 A. DUPRÉ.

For the purpose of pressing the sludge obtained a 36-inch press was procured from Messrs. Johnson and Co., of Stratford. During the seven months that this has been at work it has pressed 1,780 tons of sludge, which yielded 523 tons of "cake." In addition to the sludge thus treated, 1,408 tons have been experimented upon by various means, for the purpose of ascertaining the possibility of getting the sludge into a solid condition without the expense of thus pressing it. The result showed that this may be done to a certain extent, but the time required to make it solid would, during the summer months, render this method objectionable.

One hundred tons of sewage cake have been burnt in a large Hoffman's furnace at the brick works of Messrs. Hughes and Co. at Pluckley, Kent, and about two hundred tons have been burnt in various ways at Crossness. The result shows that, while there is but little difficulty in effecting the desired object, the expense of carrying on the system without nuisance would be prohibitory. It therefore became obvious that some other method of disposing of the cake, if the sludge is pressed, or of getting rid of the wet sludge, must be adopted; and the alternatives evidently are, either raising up low-lying land with the cake, or of taking the sludge or cake out to sea, provided that it is not removed from the works by farmers and others for manurial purposes.

The contradictory evidence on these points could only be met, as before, by direct experiment. The Board, therefore, ordered that one of the compartments of the reservoir at Crossness should be arranged for the treatment of eight million gallons of Sewage daily (the one million gallon works being continued simultaneously), and that the sludge thus resulting from the treatment of nine million gallons of Sewage should be used for the purpose of settling many doubtful questions as to its treatment and ultimate disposal. These works are now completed, and will be in operation in a few days. In the meantime, as many conflicting estimates of the cost of carrying the sludge out to sea have been submitted to the Board, advertisements were inserted in the leading daily newspapers, inviting plans and estimates for a vessel suitable for that purpose, and, in order to induce the leading firms of shipbuilders to compete, the Board offered a premium of £500 for the best proposal in the event of the tender not being accepted. These plans have now been received, and are under the consideration of the Board.

As soon as the eight million gallons experiment is at work, advertisements will be issued offering the pressed or unpressed sludge to all persons who may desire it, free of cost. The object being to ascertain to what extent the sludge may be disposed of by this means.

The Royal Commission recommended that, in the event of the Sewage being treated by chemical precipitation at the present outfalls, the effluent should be filtered by passing it through land before being discharged into the River. The object of this was evidently to ensure the removal of all odour from the effluent, and the possibility of "secondary fermentation," as it is called. The great cost attending such a method, and the difficulty of finding suitable land for the purpose in the neighbourhood of the outfalls, induced the Board to ascertain whether the desired object could not be effected by direct treatment of the effluent by means of an oxidising agent, which, while effecting immediate deodorisation of the slight Sewage odour remaining after the chemical precipitation should at the same time prevent the re-development of offensive gases. This agent has been found in permanganic acid, a substance widely used on a small scale, but hitherto not considered available for Sewage treatment on a large scale. The operations of the Board, however, have not been confined merely to the application of chemicals, but also to their production on a large scale, with the result that while manganate of soda, the actual agent in the production of permanganic acid, at the commencement of the Board's operations could be obtained only in limited quantities at £40 per ton, it can now be purchased in practically unlimited quantities at £11 per ton.

The application of this material, in conjunction with sulphuric acid, has met with

such success, not only in London but elsewhere, that the necessity for land filtration no longer exists, and thus the great objection to the treatment of the Sewage, and the discharge of the effluent at the present outfalls is overcome.

The deodorisation of the Sewage as a temporary measure, pending the construction of permanent works for its treatment by precipitation, has been systematically carried on. At first this was accomplished by means of chloride of lime, that substance being the only one obtainable in sufficient quantities at the time. Manganate of soda and sulphuric acid were subsequently used. In order to obtain the former of these in sufficient quantities at a low price, the Board found it necessary to construct chemical works and manufacture it themselves with the result of reducing the cost as above stated. During the past summer these chemicals were the only ones used and were found to be thoroughly effective.

For the purpose of preventing any nuisance within the Metropolis arising from the discharge of offensive gases from Sewer ventilators, the Board authorised the application of manganate of soda and sulphuric acid to the Sewage as it flowed through the Main Sewers. Accordingly 13 stations were arranged at the following places, viz.—Bedford-park, Willesden, Pimlico, Westminster, Bayswater, Holloway, Lonsdale-square Islington, Hoxton, Old Ford, the Tower, Deptford, Vauxhall, and Battersea.

The first of these came into operation on the 28th July, and the remainder as rapidly as possible. These stations are now being considerably augmented, and thus, while the evolution of Sewer Gas will be prevented within the Metropolis from Sewers under the Board's authority, more complete control will also be obtained over the storm overflows.

Provision has been made for the supply of 3,000 tons of manganate of soda and 1,000 tons of sulphuric acid. Of this quantity 1,000 tons of manganate are now in stock, and the remainder is under contract for delivery by July, deliveries commencing at once. Should these quantities prove insufficient by reason of another exceptional season there will be no difficulty in providing as much more as may be required either by manufacturing or purchasing it.

The plan of deodorising the Sewage within the Metropolis is proposed, not only as a temporary measure, but also as a permanent scheme for preventing the Sewer Gas nuisance, and will therefore ensure during the summer months, the arrival of the Sewage at the Outfalls in a deodorised condition, and thus materially assist in the production of an effluent of a far better character than would otherwise be obtainable.

The Contract Drawings for the enlargement of the Barking Reservoir, and arranging it for precipitation and purification works are in a forward condition, and the Contracts may be let in the course of the ensuing summer, and the works completed and ready to come into full operation for the summer of 1888; in the meantime, the deodorising works already described will prevent any nuisance from arising at this Outfall.

Nine million gallons of Sewage per day will be precipitated at Crossness throughout the coming summer, and the remainder will be deodorised as on the North side until the process of precipitation has been extended to the whole of the sewage discharged at this outfall.

The sludge arising from the precipitated Sewage is being pressed into "cake," and given to agriculturists gratuitously to utilise upon their lands, and, if possible, to develop a demand for its use; and sludge that may not be disposed of will be sent in lighters out to sea, both in the liquid and in the cake condition, in order to ascertain the cost and effect of this mode of getting rid of it.

The Board have now under consideration the 23 designs sent in by ship builders in reply to the invitation issued by the Board, and will shortly be in a position to determine what course they will adopt with respect to them.

Your Committee submit the above facts for the information of the Board, and beg to recommend—

That Letters founded upon this Report be addressed to the Secretary of State, and the Erith Local Board of Health in reply to their communications on the subject.

Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Engineer and your Chemist, in which they ask authority for executing further works, and making certain necessary arrangements with regard to the precipitation and deodorising operations. It appears from that Report that the amount expended under the vote of £10,000 made by the Board has now reached £8,664, and that, probably, the whole of the vote will be required to meet the expenses under Capital Account. Of the £5,000 voted by the Board in December, 1884, for the one million gallon experiment, £4,500 has been expended. The 36-inch press used in connection therewith was hired from Messrs. Johnson and Co., for twelve months for the sum of £200, but with the proviso that in the event of the Board deciding to purchase it, the price should be £564, and that the amount paid for hire should be deducted from the purchase-money. As the apparatus is in good working order, and is in connection with the Eight million gallon plant, the Officers recommend that the remainder of the purchase-money, viz., £364 be paid. They also suggested that the authority for incurring the working expenses of the larger plant should be made to include the continuation of the work of the smaller, thus authorising the treatment of a total quantity of Nine million gallons of Sewage daily, at an expense of about £20 per day, exclusive of the cost of the ultimate disposal of the pressed cake. With reference to deodorisation, the Officers state that the Contractors for the supply of Manganate are about to commence delivery of this material, and as it is necessary that such delivery should be properly checked, and accounts kept of the quantities in stock at different receiving stations they ask authority to engage assistance at the Barking Outfall, similar to that sanctioned last summer, at an expense of £3 per week; and also to employ a suitable person as temporary Chemical Assistant at £4 4s. per week, as before, to supervise the application of the Chemicals to the Sewers within the Metropolis, as soon as this process comes into operation. The results obtained by this means last year, the Officers state, justify a very considerable increase in the number of points of application, and they therefore advise that the necessary wooden tanks, &c., required be erected at an expense of about £1,000.

Your Committee have given careful consideration to the Report, and are of opinion that the several suggestions which it contains should be adopted. They beg, therefore, to submit the following recommendations—

That the Engineer and Chemist be authorised to incur the working expenses necessary for the treatment by precipitation, &c., of nine millions of gallons of Sewage daily at Crossness; such expenditure not to exceed the sum of £7,000.

That the sum of £364 be paid in respect of the balance of the purchase-money of the 36-inch sludge press, which was hired from Messrs. Johnson and Co.

That an Assistant be employed, as during last summer, at the Barking Outfall, at an expense of £3 per week, to check the delivery of manganate of soda.

That a temporary Chemical Assistant at £4 4s. per week be employed, when necessary, to supervise the deodorising operations within the Metropolis.

That the necessary wooden tanks, &c., required for deodorising purposes be erected at various points on the lines of Main Sewers within the Metropolis, at a cost of about £1,000.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Memorial, referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 3), from the Greenwich District Board, urging the desirability of at once proceeding with the construction of a Lake on Blackheath, with a view to providing work for the unemployed, and asking that, if the Board are not prepared to do that, they will lend the Plans and Specification, in order that the work may be proceeded with, under the Board's supervision, by the South-Eastern Central Committee,

in connection with the Mansion House Relief Fund. In connection with the Memorial your Committee have also had before them the Letter from Lord Charles Bruce, enclosing copy of a Petition to the Lord Mayor and Members of the Mansion House Committee for a grant of £2,000 towards the cost of forming a Lake on Blackheath, and stating that the request was acceded to upon certain conditions, and that the amount of (£2,000) would form part of the £5,000 referred to in his previous Letter, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 61), and also the Letter from Mr. W. J. Purver, transmitting a Memorial signed by the Chairman of the Lewisham, Deptford, and Greenwich Mansion House Relief Committee, urging the Board, under the circumstances stated, to form a Lake on Blackheath, for which purpose the Mansion House Relief Committee had granted them the sum of £2,000, to be spent und there direction of the Board, in aid of the Improvement, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 50). Your Committee have given the matter careful consideration, and it appears to them that there is a wide difference in the powers of the Board with reference to enclosed Parks, such as Finsbury-park and Southwark-park, and an Open Space like Blackheath, where the soil in the Heath has never been conveyed to the Board, and where the authority of the Board is strictly limited to the terms of the Scheme as confirmed by Parliament. It will be found that by those terms the rights of the Lords of the Manors, of the Crown, and of other parties interested in the soil and other profitable interests, are reserved, and your Solicitor, who has reported fully to your Committee on the question, thinks that this effectually prevents the Board from carrying out a plan by which a considerable acreage would be covered with water, and entirely altered in character. It is true that the Board may plant, or otherwise beautify, outlying portions of the Heath, but he is of opinion that what is proposed is not within these words, and he points out, moreover, that although Section 3 of the Scheme gives authority to plant or otherwise beautify gravel pits 1, 2, 3 and 4 on the Plan, it does not allude to the gravel pit in question, which is marked on the Plan as belonging to the Crown. With reference to the question whether the Board could sanction the making of the Lake out of funds raised for the unemployed poor, your Solicitor fears the Board have no such authority, even if, as seems to be proposed, the expense were borne by the fund in question. The result is that it appears to him, and in this view your Committee concur, that the Memorial of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District is founded upon a misconception of the rights of the Board over the Heath. Under these circumstances, your Committee, while sympathising deeply with the object sought to be attained, viz., the relief of the unemployed, see no alternative but to recommend the Board to inform the Greenwich District Board and Lord Charles Bruce and Mr. Purver, that the Board have no legal powers to do what is asked.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 15th January last (No. 27), from the Vestry of Bermondsey, transmitting Plans of an Improvement they proposed to effect in Mill-street, at an estimated cost of £2,575, exclusive of paving and other works, and asking the Board to contribute a moiety of the cost of the Improvement. The proposal of the Vestry is to widen Mill-street, opposite Mr. Seth Taylor's Flour Mill, at which point it is only about 12 feet wide, and the Board have already expressed the opinion that the proposed widening would be a valuable Local Improvement. Your Committee took an opportunity of viewing the locality some time ago when a previous Letter was under consideration, and having ascertained from your Superintending Architect that the estimate, which does not include any amount for paving or other works, is fair and reasonable, they recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost of the Improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £1,287, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883, (No. 3), with respect to Loans

granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. M^cGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN TOLHURST,
JOHN RUNTZ,
THEO. W. WILLIAMS,
P. W. FUNNELL,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
W^m. SHEPHERD,
GEO. HILL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY.

Mr. Tolhurst handed in a Memorial from wharfingers, merchants, and ratepayers of St. Olave's District, against the proposed extension of the Southwark and Deptford Tramway in Tooley-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the consent of the Board be not given to the introduction into Parliament of the Southwark and Deptford Tramways Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Lindsay, and seconded by Mr. Freeman—That so much of the Report as relates to the steps taken for the precipitation and deodorisation of the Metropolitan Sewage be taken as read.

The motion having been put to the vote, there were for it 12, against it 21; and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The Report was then read by the Clerk.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the Report be received, that the consideration thereof be deferred until this day fortnight, and that meantime a copy thereof be sent to the Home Secretary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and *resolved*—That the Report be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the consideration of the Motions by Mr. Fowler and Mr. Selway, relative to the Report of the Committee, notice of which Motions appears in the paper of business, be deferred until this day fortnight.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the Engineer and Chemist be authorised to incur the working expenses necessary for the treatment by precipitation, &c., of nine millions of gallons of Sewage daily at Crossness; such expenditure not to exceed the sum of £7,000.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the sum of £364 be paid in respect of the balance of the purchase-money of the 36-inch sludge press, which was hired from Messrs. Johnson and Co.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That an Assistant be employed, as during last summer, at the Barking Outfall, at an expense of £3 per week, to check the delivery of Manganate of Soda.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That a temporary Chemical Assistant, at £4 4s. per week, be employed, when necessary, to supervise the deodorising operations within the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the necessary wooden tanks, &c., required for deodorising purposes be erected at various points on the lines of Main Sewers within the Metropolis, at a cost of about £1,000.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial from the Greenwich District Board, urging the desirability of at once proceeding with the construction of a Lake on Blackheath, with a view to providing work for the unemployed; and to the communications from Lord Charles Bruce and the Lewisham, Deptford and Greenwich Mansion House Relief Local Committees on the same subject, be approved; and that the Memorialists be informed that the Board have no legal powers to do what they ask.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£2,575) of an Improvement in Mill-street, Bermondsey, proposed to be effected by the Vestry of Bermondsey, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £1,287, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

9. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 2nd March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.
12th January, 1885.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Parish.
13th August, 1885.	Vestry of Islington, for re-numbering the houses in Scholefield-road.
6th February, 1886.	Mr. Edwin Lawrence, on behalf of the Gentlewomen's Self-help Institute, No. 15, Baker-street, complaining that Messrs. Wise and Son have appropriated the number 15 for a house hitherto known as 16A, Baker-street, Portman-square.
	Postmaster-General, stating that Coldharbour-lane is in two postal districts, and that complaints have been made of consequent delay in the delivery of Letters, and asking whether a new name might not be given to that part of the Lane which is situate in the S.W. district.
3rd February, 1886.	Mr. R. W. Monro, Hon. Sec. of the Central London Dwellings Improvement Company, requesting that Star-court and Chapel-yard, Newton-street, St. Giles, might be re-named "Thurstan-dwellings, W.C."

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of certain of the thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the houses in Naval-row, High-street, Poplar, be re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in Preston's-road, Poplar, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in Wells-road, Sydenham, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That York-street, Church-street, Bethnal-green, be re-named "Ebor-street, E.," and the houses re-numbered.

That William-street and Thomas-street, Lower-marsh, Lambeth, be incorporated under the name "Coral-street, S.E.," and the houses re-numbered.

That Durnford-place, Durnford-terrace, Marsden-terrace, and Princes-terrace, St. Pancras, be incorporated under the name "Marsden-street, N.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Leybourne-road, Chalk-farm, be re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in Scholefield-road, Holloway, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the premises at the corner of Blandford-street and Baker-street, Portman-square, in the occupation of Messrs. Wise and Son, until lately numbered 16A, be in future numbered and described as 15A, Baker-street.

That no alteration be made in the name of that portion of Coldharbour-lane, Brixton, which is situate in the S.W. Postal District, and that the Postmaster-General be so informed.

That Mr. R. W. Monro, Hon. Sec. of the Central London Dwellings Improvement Company be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the Board do not object to the application of the name "Thurstan-dwellings, W.C.," to the industrial dwellings erected upon the site of Star-court and Chapel-yard, Newton-street, St. Giles's.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
W. R. SELWAY,
W^M. SHEPHERD.
SAM^L. PRICE.
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve; and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Naval-row, in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,654, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 9, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 28, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Naval-row, E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Preston's-road, in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 67, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,655, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the names Bisterne-place, Russell-place, and any other name or names now in use in Preston's-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Preston's-road, E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the

provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Wells-road, Sydenham, in the Parish of Lewisham, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,656, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 135, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 126, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Churchley-villas, Hanover-terrace, Wigton-villas, St. Andrew's-place, North-row, Catharine-villas, Gray's-terrace, Longton-houses, Frances-vale, Laburnum-cottages, Ann's-cottages, The Wells, Wells-place, Rowland-terrace, Sydney-terrace, Alexandra-cottages, Bethell-terrace, Wells-terrace, St. Phillip's-place, and any other name or names now in use in Wells-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Wells-road, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of York-street, in the respective Parishes of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, and St. Matthew, Bethnal-green, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,657, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 19, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 12, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the name York-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Ebor-street, E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestries of Shoreditch and Bethnal-green, respectively, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of William-street and Thomas-street, Lower Marsh, in the Parish of Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,658, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 47, being assigned to the houses on the North-Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 48, to those on the South-Western side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Lower Marsh; that the names William-street, Thomas-street, and Oliver's-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Coral-street, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Durnford-place, Marsden-terrace, Durnford-terrace, and Princes-terrace, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,659, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 89, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 102, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Durnford-place, Marsden-terrace, Durnford-terrace, and Princes-terrace, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Marsden-street, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Leybourne-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,660, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 37, being assigned to the houses on the North-Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 42, to those on the South-Western side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Hawley-road; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Leybourne-road, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Scholefield-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,661, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 63, being assigned to the houses on the South-Western side; and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 70, to those on the North-Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Fairbridge-road; that the names Melbourne-terrace, Alexandra-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Scholefield-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Scholefield-road, N.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 2nd day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the

provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That the premises at the corner of Blandford-street and Baker-street, in the occupation of Messrs. Wise and Son, until lately numbered 16A, Baker-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be in future numbered and described as 15A, Baker-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and **resolved**—That no alteration be made in the name of that portion of Coldharbour-lane, Brixton, which is situate in the S.W. Postal District, and that the Postmaster-General be so informed.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and **resolved**—That Mr. R. W. Monro, Hon. Sec. of the Central London Dwellings Improvement Company, be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the Board do not object to the application of the name "Thurstan-dwellings, W.C.," to the Industrial Dwellings erected upon the site of Star-court and Chapel-yard, Newton-street, St. Giles.

10. It was **moved** by Mr. Selway, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Report of the Parliamentary Committee, notice of which appears in the paper of business, be now considered.

Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, then brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 10th March, 1886.

Your Committee reported, on the 19th ultimo, the conditions of an arrangement proposed to be made with the Governors of Dulwich College, having reference to the land formerly belonging to the College, which was conveyed to the Board by an Act of Parliament passed last Session for the purposes of a public Park. The arrangement referred to was approved by the Board, among the conditions being that the Governors should undertake to make a road 40 feet wide from Dulwich College-road to Lordship-lane across the South-Eastern portion of the ground conveyed to the Board, such road to be in substitution for an existing public foot-path, and that the Board should re-convey to the Governors a small portion of the ground, about $1\frac{3}{4}$ acres in extent, which the proposed road would cut off from the remainder of the ground. It has now been reported to your Committee that the Governors decline to bind themselves to make the 40-feet road referred to in the above-mentioned Resolution, and, that being so, the proposed arrangement must be considered at an end. Your Committee may add that, as it is necessary to maintain a right-of-way across the ground, they have instructed your Solicitor to arrange for the formation of a new foot-path 20 feet wide (instead of a road) in substitution for the existing foot-path.

In the Report above referred to, presented on the 19th February last, your Committee alluded to certain leasehold and other subsidiary interests in portions of the ground conveyed to the Board, which interests it was proposed that the Board should acquire in order that the whole of the ground might be in the Board's possession, free and unencumbered. Your Committee now recommend—

That they be authorised to negotiate for the acquisition of those subsidiary interests, including the surrender of certain rights of access.

Your Committee, on Friday last, recommended that the Clause in the Board's Various Powers Bill to require Gas, Water, and other Companies laying pipes under the streets, to lay them in the Subways when such have been made by the Board, should not be further proceeded with. The question was, however, referred back for

further consideration. Your Committee, having again considered it, are still of opinion that it would be better for the Board not to endeavour to obtain the power required in the present Bill, and they recommend—

That the Clause be not further proceeded with.

On the 15th January, your Committee reported upon a Bill entitled the Charterhouse Bill, in which the Trustees of the Charterhouse asked for power to appropriate a further portion of their property for general building purposes. Your Committee stated in that Report that their attention had been directed to the question whether the Board could take any action in connection with the Bill with a view to seeing that the property to be let for building should be liable to the Local Rates, the Charterhouse itself being an extra-parochial place, and, as such, exempted from the General Rates. They stated that your Solicitor was of opinion that the Bill could not be opposed by the Board on that ground, and they therefore recommended that no petition should be presented against the Bill. The question was, however, referred back to your Committee for further consideration and report, and at the same time a Letter from the Holborn District Board was referred asking the Board to endeavour to secure that the land referred to in the Bill should be retained as an open space for public use. Since the date of the reference back, your Solicitor has been in communication with the Agents of the Promoters of the Bill with a view to seeing whether some arrangement could be come to by which the buildings to be erected on the land proposed to be sold might be brought under charge to the Local Rates, and he has reported that the Trustees of the Charterhouse are quite willing that an arrangement should be made at some future time for bringing under charge to the Local Rates the buildings to be erected on the land about to be disposed of. They state, however, that there are so many provisions in existing Acts of Parliament, and other arrangements, which would be affected by any alteration such as that proposed that it could not be provided for in the present Bill. Your Committee are of opinion that no Petition should be presented, or other action taken by the Board upon the Charterhouse Bill, and they recommend accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN TOLHURST,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEO. EDWARDS,
ROBT. JONES,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the making of the 40-feet road outside the proposed Park at Dulwich, as stipulated in the arrangement agreed to by the Board on the 19th ultimo, and states that the Committee have instructed the Solicitor to arrange for the formation of a new footpath, 20 feet wide, in substitution for the existing footpath, be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Committee be authorised to negotiate for the acquisition by the Board of certain subsidiary interests in the land conveyed to the Board for the purpose of the Park at Dulwich, and for the surrender to the Board of certain rights of access to such land.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Clause in the Board's Various Powers Bill to require Gas, Water, and other Companies laying pipes under the streets to lay them in the Subways, when such have been made by the Board, be not further proceeded with.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken by the Board with reference to the Charterhouse Bill.

11. It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Reports by the Engineer be now considered.
12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th March, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
KENSINGTON.				
Barkston-gardens, Earl's-court...	1,180	3' 0" × 2' 0"	half-brick	Recommended as applied for
WANDSWORTH.				
Carmalt-gardens, Upper Richmond-road ...	510	15-inch	pipe	Recommended as applied for.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th March, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, applying for permission to close a further portion of King's-road, from Langton-street Westward, to the East side of Lots-road, for the purpose of executing paving works therein.

It was *moved* by Mr. Mossop, seconded by Mr. Urquhart, and *resolved*—That the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing, in sections, of the portion of the thoroughfare referred to, by the Vestry of Chelsea, for a period of six weeks, for the purpose of executing paving works therein.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th March, 1886, on Letters from Mr. R. Berwick, applying for compensation for alleged loss of business sustained by him from the erection of a temporary shed or hoarding for the purpose of the Board's works in Long-acre; stating that the temporary structure referred to was erected for the purpose of cleansing the Piccadilly branch of the Middle Level Sewer, that the works were carried on both by day and night so as to complete them as quickly as possible; that the hoarding had been removed on Tuesday last, and that whilst the works were in progress care had been taken to put Mr. Berwick and his immediate neighbours to as little inconvenience as possible; and that as the Board had invariably declined to admit their liability for claims of a similar description, recommending that the present one should be similarly dealt with.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Board do deny any liability in respect of the claim.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. J. Hunt, applying for permission to connect the surface drainage of his premises Abbey, Flour Mills, West Ham, with the drain laid for the purpose of draining the Board's workmen's cottages at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station; stating that the drain from the Board's cottages ran into the Low Level Sewer at the filth hoist, and that the discharge had to be pumped up into the Outfall Sewer, that if the surface drainage from Mr. Hunt's premises were admitted into the Board's drain it would of course increase the quantity to be pumped, and also stating that the premises were beyond the Metropolitan area, and recommending that the application should not be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the application be not granted.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th March, 1886, stating that the following quantities of stores were required for use at the undermentioned Reservoir and Pumping Station—

<i>Barking Reservoir.</i>				ESTIMATE.
32 Tons of Wallsend Coal (annual allowance to staff)	...	...	...	£30 10 8
<i>Deptford Pumping Station.</i>				
15 cwt. Block Boiler Composition	...	...	...	27 0 0
Total	...	...	...	<u>£57 10 8</u>

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the stores be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th March, 1886, stating that repairs to three boilers and to the filth hoist at the Deptford Pumping Station had recently been executed, on emergency, by Messrs. J. and G. Rennie, at a cost of £43 8s. 8d., and that a new spring ring and new junk ring for the cylinder piston had been supplied and sundry minor repairs executed by Messrs. Stone and Co., at a cost of £48 4s. 6d., and asking the Board to sanction the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sanction of the Board be given to the said works, and that the cost thereof be charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

18. Mr. Bradfield, in the absence of Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 9th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mr. J. Taylor, for sanction to the establishment anew of the business of a Slaughterer of Catle, at the rear of No. 490, Caledonian-road, Islington. Having regard to the character of the buildings, mostly residential houses, in the neighbourhood of the site, your Committee do not consider the position a suitable one for a Slaughterhouse, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have further to report that proceedings have been taken against Charles Morsley, of Greenwich-marshes, for slaughtering upon unlicensed premises, and he was fined 40s. and 2s. costs.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered a Letter from Mr. Hartley Fewson, relative to his invention for the treatment of noxious gases, separately or combined, as in Sewer Gas, referred by the Board on the 29th January (No. 50). Mr. Fewson's plan appears to provide for drawing out offensive gases from Sewers by means of force pumps, which would deliver such gases into an apparatus where, by the agency of an electric current, they would be rendered inodorous. Mr. Fewson proposes that the Board should go to considerable expense in providing a gas engine, a double action pump, and other appliances, in order that his plan might be tested; but as your Committee see no indication whatever that it is of a practical character, they cannot advise the Board to incur the expense, and they recommend—

That Mr. Fewson be so informed.

Your Committee have further to report that Mr. E. Addenbrooke, Gas Examiner, is unable to perform his duties in consequence of illness, and his medical adviser certifies that he will be unfit for duty for some time. Under these circumstances your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Addenbrooke be granted leave of absence for one month, and that, if necessary, the Chemist do report to the Board at the end of that period.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Miss J. A. Chapman, for renewal of registration for the keeping of 3 Infants at No. 10, Graveney-road, Lower Tooting. The accommodation provided is satisfactory, but your Committee are of opinion, after a careful consideration of the circumstances, that Miss Chapman is not in a position to give proper care to so many as 3 Infants, and your Committee recommend—

That the application of Miss J. A. Chapman, for renewal of registration under the Infant Life Protection Act for the keeping of Infants at No. 10, Graveney-road, Lower Tooting, be granted, and that the Board do make a Bye-Law fixing 2 as the number of Infants allowed to be kept at such premises.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Messrs. Jas. Barringer and Sons, for the renewal of their Petroleum License. The conditions of storage continue satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That a License be granted to Messrs. James Barringer and Sons, for a period of 12 months, from the 12th instant, to keep 2,000 gallons of Petroleum at their premises in Wallis-road, Hackney-wick, in accordance with the terms of the draft License submitted.

Your Committee also submit a list of 85 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and recommend—

That in 69 cases Licenses be granted to keep a quantity not exceeding 10 gallons of Petroleum in each case at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91; that in two cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named, in a store situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90, and that in 14 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in the manner described in such Licenses.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

G. B. RICHARDSON,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
W. J. WETENHALL.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Taylor, for sanction to the establishment anew of the business of a Slaughterer of Cattle, at the rear of No. 490, Caledonian-road, Islington, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Hartley Fewson be informed, in reply to his Letter asking the Board to assist in conducting experiments for testing his invention for the treatment of noxious gases, separately or combined as in Sewers, that the Board are unable to comply with his application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That one month's leave of absence be granted to Mr. E. Addenbrooke, Gas Examiner, and that, if necessary, the Chemist do report again to the Board at the end of that period.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the registration of Miss J. A. Chapman, under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 10, Graveney-road, Lower Tooting, be renewed, and that the Board do make a Bye-Law fixing two as the number of Infants allowed to be kept at such premises.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That a License be granted to Messrs. James Barringer and Sons, for a period of twelve months from this date, to keep 2,000 gallons of Petroleum at their premises in Wallis-road, Hackney-wick, in accordance with the terms of the draft License now submitted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the Eighty-five persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

19. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 10th March, 1886.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 19th ultimo, (No. 37), authorising your Committee to receive a Deputation from the Vestry of Hampstead on the subject of planting trees at the margin of Hampstead-heath, next the West Heath-road leading to Child's-hill, your Committee have now to report that they have received the Deputation referred to, and have heard the views of the Vestry. As the Board are aware, what is practically a new road has been formed on the West Heath, Hampstead, the old narrow way having been widened to 60 feet. The Lord of the Manor is about to plant the footpath on the South side of this road with a double row of trees, and the Vestry, with a view of securing uniformity, and thus forming an Avenue, desire that the Board should plant a double row of trees on the Heath side of the road, to correspond with those to be planted by the Lord of the Manor. Your Committee find that the work will only necessitate an outlay for trees of £14, and they therefore consider that they should be authorised to undertake the work referred to. The trees which are proposed to be planted are a row of Normandy Elms, and another row of Turkish Oaks and Beech alternately. Your Committee recommend—

That the expenditure of £14 for the purchase of trees be approved.

Your Committee have to report that 160 casts of flower pots are required for use in Finsbury-park, and they recommend—

That the estimated expenditure, viz., £12 10s., be sanctioned.

The Bye-laws for Highbury-fields having been advertised for one month, as required by the Act, application is about to be made to the Home Secretary to approve thereof. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That six Bye-law boards be obtained for placing on the Fields, and that the estimated expenditure, £31 10s., for the purpose, be sanctioned,

In pursuance of the reference by the Board on the 5th instant, your Committee have considered the Letter from the Metropolitan Drinking Fountain and Cattle Trough Association, requesting permission to remove the present Fountain on Peckham-rye, and to substitute a larger one. As the Association propose to carry out the work at their own cost, your Committee see no objection to the proposal, provided the work be done to the satisfaction of your Superintending Architect ; and they recommend—

That the necessary permission be given upon that condition.

Your Committee have had before them a Letter from the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association, referring to the works about to be carried out by the Board on Highbury-fields, and offering to place at their disposal 100 men for two months to carry out those works. The operations which the Board have decided to undertake in connection with Highbury-fields are not of such an extent as to require so much labour as that offered by the Association, and, moreover, they are to be done under Contracts, which have been already entered into. The Contractors will, of course, require to employ labour,

and thus to a certain extent the desire of the Association will be obtained. Your Committee beg to recommend—

That a communication be addressed to the Association, declining their offer, on the ground that the Board have already made arrangements for carrying out by Contract the works of improvement on Highbury-fields

Under the authority conferred on them by the Board on the 13th June, 1873 (No. 13), your Committee have authorised the purchase of canvas, castings, screws, &c., for use in Finsbury-park, manure for, and the repair of a pipe in the Chelsea Embankment-gardens, and ropes and wood, and a watering can and sponge, together with the repair of two mowing machines in Southwark-park. Your Committee have likewise authorised the repair and alteration of water pipes in Finsbury-park and of one of the entrance gates to Southwark-park, and the purchase of a stove pipe for the watch box at Peckham-rye and articles for the box on Highbury-fields; and also the erection of fencing on Plumstead-common, next the boundary of the Park Estate.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. E. BRADFIELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. SHEPHERD,
GEORGE HILL,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the Committee be authorised to plant 28 trees, as described in the Report, at the margin of Hampstead-heath, next the West Heath-road, as requested by the Vestry of Hampstead.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That 160 casts of flower pots be obtained for use in Finsbury-park, at an estimated cost of £12 10s.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That six Bye-law boards be obtained for placing on Highbury-fields, at an estimated cost of £31 10s.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That permission be given to the Metropolitan Drinking Fountain and Cattle Trough Association to remove the present Fountain from Peckham-rye, and to substitute a larger one, conditionally upon the work being done at the sole expense of the Association and to the satisfaction of the Superintending Architect

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the offer of the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association to supply 100 men for carrying out works of improvement on Highbury-fields, be approved, and that the Association be informed that as the Board have entered into Contracts for carrying out all necessary works on the Fields they are unable to accept the offer.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in their Report, be approved.

20. Mr. Shepherd, the Chairman of the Bridges Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BRIDGES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 10th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that their attention has been called to the delay which must take place before the lithographed contract Drawings, which were ordered by the Board on the 29th January last (No. 15), for the new Bridge at Battersea, can be issued as they are very elaborate and contain so much detail. Your Engineer has informed your Committee that they will be completed by about the 17th instant, and, under these circumstances, it will be necessary that the date fixed by the Board for receiving Tenders should be altered from the 26th March to the 16th April next, and your Committee beg to recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered whether it would not be advisable that a Clause should be inserted in the Specification for the works of the new Bridge at Battersea, to the effect that only iron and steel of British manufacture should be used in its construction, as they are superior in quality to those of foreign make. Your Committee have ascertained that it would not make any appreciable difference in the amount of the Tenders if this were done, and they have arrived at the conclusion that it would be advantageous to the Board to adopt that course, and they beg to recommend—

That a Clause be inserted in the Specification that only iron and steel of British manufacture shall be used in connection with the construction of the Bridge.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered as to whether the lighting of Waterloo Bridge could not be improved. Your Engineer, in his Report to them upon the subject, has recommended that for the purpose of improving the lighting of the Bridge and its approaches at either end the small lamp on each of the four corners of the Bridge foot-ways should be taken down and be re-placed by a lamp giving equal light to those on the parapets of the Bridge, also that the supply pipes, which vary in size and in parts are defective, should be properly re-instated, and where necessary, re-placed by pipes of one uniform size, and that a larger meter should be used, and a new meter-chamber constructed. Your Committee have ascertained that the estimated cost of the whole of the works would be about £110, and they are of opinion that it is desirable that this important line of communication across the River should be efficiently lighted, and they therefore recommend—

That the lighting of the Bridge and its approaches be improved in the manner suggested by the Engineer at a cost not exceeding £110, and that the expense be charged to the Working Account.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

WM. SHEPHERD,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEO. EDWARDS,
ROBT. JONES,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That, inasmuch as the lithographing of the Plans of new Battersea Bridge will occupy a longer time than was anticipated, the date for receiving Tenders for the works be the 16th April next, instead of the 26th instant, as directed by the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Clause be inserted in the specification for the works of new Battersea Bridge, requiring that only iron and steel of British manufacture shall be used in connection with the construction of the Bridge.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the lighting of Waterloo Bridge, and its approaches, be improved in the manner suggested by the Engineer, at a cost not exceeding £110, and that the cost of the work be charged to the Bridges (Maintenance) Account.

21. It was *moved* by Mr. Edwards, seconded, and *resolved*—That the motion by Mr. Lindsay, notice of which appears in the paper of business, be now considered.

Mr. Lindsay then proceeded to call attention to the course adopted in the House of Commons in reference to the Board's Water Supply Bill, 1886, and moved—"That prints of all the remaining Bills promoted by the Board during the present Session be circulated among the Members of the Board."

The motion was seconded by Mr. Runtz.

After discussion the **motion** was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

22. The Clerk presented a communication from Mr. C. H. Parkes, dated 8th March, 1886, stating that the Commercial Gas Company having proposed to raise further capital under their Act of 1875, the Board of Trade had appointed him to investigate the matter, and that he proposed, under the Section of the Act, to commence the enquiry on Thursday next, the 18th instant, at the Company's Office at Stepney.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with respect thereto; that the Accountant do report to the Committee on Monday next whether, looking to the last published Accounts of the Company, it is necessary for the Board to offer any objection to the proposed increase of capital, and that the Solicitor do also report to the Committee on the legal points involved.

23. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill, 1886, was still awaiting appointment to a Select Committee of the House of Commons, and that the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been appointed for second reading in the House of Commons, on the 16th instant.
24. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Sanitation of Houses Bill had been appointed for the 19th May.
25. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee to which the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill (Mr. Arthur O'Connor) had not yet been appointed.
26. The Solicitor reported that the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill (No. 2) (Mr. Burt) had been read a second time on the 11th instant, and referred to the Select Committee on Mr. A. O'Connor's Bill.
27. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Land Purchase Facilities Bill was appointed for 7th July next.
28. The Solicitor reported that the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill had been appointed to be considered by a Committee of the whole House on the 22nd instant.
29. The Solicitor reported that the Rivers Purification Bill has been appointed for second reading in the House of Commons on the 16th instant.
30. The Solicitor reported with respect to the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill, that the Select Committee would consist of five Members, three to be nominated by the House of Commons, and two by the Committee of Selection; that the House had made the usual orders with respect to the powers and quorum of the Committee, and that a Petition had been presented against the Bill by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square.
31. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Commons and Inclosure Acts Amendment Bill was appointed for 26th May next.
32. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Smoke Nuisance Abatement (Metropolis) Bill introduced into the House of Lords by Lord Stratheden and Campbell, and reported that the date for the second reading had not yet been fixed.
33. The Solicitor reported that the Bexley-heath Railway Bill had been referred to a Select Committee of the House of Lords, presided over by Lord Balfour of Burleigh; that the Committee had met for the first time yesterday, but that the Bill had not been reached, and that it was on the list for consideration this day.
34. The Solicitor reported that the Chairman of the Board had replied to a question in the House of Commons, by Mr. Fisher, with reference to the laying out of certain land adjacent to Fulham Palace, and also to a question by Mr. R. Cooke, as to the progress of the works for the new street from Great Dover-street, Borough.
35. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's

Water Supply Bill in the House of Commons had been resumed on the 5th instant, when the Bill was, after discussion, rejected by a majority of 54, the numbers being—

For the second reading	...	...	...	...	76
Against it	...	...	...	...	130
Majority					<u>54</u>

And he presented an extract from the *Times*, with a report of the debate on the Bill.

- 36.** The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill in the House of Commons stood for the 17th instant, and that Mr. Jennings had given notice that on the motion for the second reading he would move that the Bill be read a second time upon that day six months. The Solicitor further reported that a Petition had been presented by the Westminster District Board in favour of the Bill.
- 37.** The Solicitor presented a copy of the Waterworks (Rating) Bill, which had been introduced into the House of Commons, and read a first time on the 25th February last, and stated that it proposed to amend the law relating to Waterworks belonging to Local Authorities, and that the second reading was appointed for the 7th April.
- 38.** The Solicitor presented a copy of the Land Tenure and Transfer Bill, the Leaseholds (Facilities of Purchase of Fee-simple) Bill, and the Copyhold and Customary Tenure Bill, which had been introduced and read a first time in the House of Commons.
- 39.** The Solicitor reported that the consideration of the Compensation for Damages Bill, by a Committee of the whole House of Commons, had been adjourned until the 18th instant.
- 40.** The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

- 41.** The Solicitor presented a copy of the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill, which had been introduced into the House of Lords by Lord Rayleigh, and read a first time on the 2nd instant, and stated that it proposed to amend and extend the provisions of the Electric Lighting Act of 1882, and that the date for the second reading had not yet been fixed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Solicitor do obtain copies of the Bill for such of the Members of the Board as may desire to have one.

- 42.** The Solicitor reported the due completion of the arrangements with respect to the undermentioned Loans—

	AMOUNT OF LOAN.				
Fulham District Board	...	...	...	...	£6,700
Plumstead do.	...	...	...	...	1,800
Guardians of the Strand Union	...	...	...	...	1,100

- 43.** The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the repayment of the several portions of the Loan of £5,000 to the Fulham District Board, and he suggested that this Board should now pass Orders, authorising the District Board to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered* as follows—

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Fulham District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys

or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board, under the first mentioned Act, within the said District, of a sum of One thousand eight hundred and sixty pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, by the said District Board in executing certain York stone foot-way paving and granite kerbing and channelling works in St. Ann's-road, Hammersmith, and around St. Andrew's Church and St. Peter's Church, and in the Mall and Starch-green-road, Fulham, and in making up and re-paving the road and foot-ways of certain streets widened and improved by the District Board, and in constructing a public convenience in the Broadway, Hammersmith. **And whereas** this Board have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of One thousand eight hundred and sixty pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purposes aforesaid. Therefore it is **ordered** that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of One thousand eight hundred and sixty pounds, for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by equal annual instalments within a period of Ten years.

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Fulham District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some, or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board, under the first mentioned Act, within the said District, of a sum of One thousand three hundred and ten pounds, as to Eight hundred pounds, part thereof for the purpose of enabling the said District Board to contribute towards the expense of constructing the Gliddon-road Bridge over the Metropolitan District Railway; and as to Five hundred and ten pounds, residue thereof, for the purpose of enabling the District Board to defray the expense of executing certain Flood-works at Crabtree Dock, Fulham Dock, Hammersmith Dock, the Mall and Chiswick Mall, which works, under the Metropolis Management Thames River (Prevention of Floods) Amendment Act, 1879, the District Board are liable to execute. **And whereas** this Board have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of One thousand three hundred and ten pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purposes aforesaid. Therefore it is **ordered** that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of One thousand three hundred and ten pounds for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Thirty years.

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Fulham District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board, under the first mentioned Act, within the said District, of a sum of One thousand eight hundred and thirty pounds, for the purpose of defraying part of the expense incurred, or to be incurred, by the said District Board, in executing certain Street Improvements by widening and improving parts of Dawes-road, Great Church-lane, Stamford-brook-road, Beadon-road, Parson's-green-lane, Fulham-road, and North-end-road, all within the said District. **And whereas** this Board have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of One thousand eight hundred and thirty pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is **ordered** that the sanction in writing of

the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of One thousand eight hundred and thirty pounds, for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Fifty-five years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of each of the foregoing Orders.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £5,000 be now drawn in favour of the Fulham District Board; and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund accordingly.

44. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £16,000 to the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and he suggested that the Board should now pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, and also for a Cheque for £20 for the Stamp-duty.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry under the first-mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of Sixteen thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said Vestry in purchasing additional land as a site for Offices for the purpose of transacting the ordinary business of the said Parish, under the above-mentioned Acts, and in erecting such Offices. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Sixteen thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Sixteen thousand pounds, for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid, as to Two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds, required for the purchase of land, by equal annual instalments, within a period of Fifty years; and as to Thirteen thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds, by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Thirty years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £16,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and also a Cheque for £20 for the Stamp-duty on the Mortgage-deed; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital and General Working Accounts accordingly.

45. The Solicitor reported that the following Order had been made by the House of Commons on the 26th ultimo—

Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the condition of the River Lee, and to make such recommendations as may appear necessary (Mr. Attorney-General).

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with authority to confer with the Parliamentary Committee thereon, and to carry out any Resolution at which they may arrive.

46. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the re-payment of the Loan of £7,700 to the Managers of the Central London School District, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount, to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £7,700 be now drawn in favour of the Managers of the Central London School District; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

47. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £30,000 to the Vestry of Islington, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, and also a Cheque for £37 10s. for the Stamp-duty.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, and of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Act, 1885, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first-mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of Thirty thousand pounds, for the purpose of enabling the said Vestry to contribute towards the expense incurred by the Metropolitan Board of Works in the purchase of Highbury-fields. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Thirty thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Act, 1885, of a sum of Thirty thousand pounds, for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by equal annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be, within a period of Fifty-five years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £30,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of Islington, and also a Cheque for £37 10s. for the Stamp-duty on the Mortgage-deed; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital and General Working Accounts accordingly,

48. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the re-payment of the Loan of £3,500 to the Vestry of Hampstead, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them have applied to the Metropolitan

Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of Three thousand five hundred pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said Vestry in executing certain additions and alterations to the Offices of the Vestry, and of decorating and painting the whole of the said Offices. ~~And whereas~~ the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Three thousand five hundred pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry, for the purposes aforesaid. Therefore it is ~~ordered~~ that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Three thousand five hundred pounds, for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be as to Two thousand seven hundred and fifty nine pounds, within a period of Thirty years, and as to Seven hundred and forty one pounds within a period of Four years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That a Cheque for the sum of £3,500 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of Hampstead; and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund accordingly.

49. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Contract with Mr. Bruce Knight, for the removal of ashes and refuse from Abbey Mills Pumping Station, for a period of three years from the 25th March, 1886.

Conveyance by Mr. C. W. Horton, of No. 330, Upper-street, Islington, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Upper-street, Islington, Improvement.)

Contract with Messrs. J. Freeman, G. Burt, J. M. Burt, and W. R. Freeman (John Mowlem and Co.), for repairs to the carriage-road in Finsbury-park.

Conveyance by Mr. J. Spiller, of No. 16, Denmark-street, and No. 37, Crown-street, Soho, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement).

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

50. Read a Report, as follows—

Accountant's Department,
Spring-gardens, 12th March, 1886.

The 59th Clause of the Commercial Gas Act of 1875, prescribes that a copy of the Accounts of the Company should be forwarded to this Board before the Auditor certifies the same, so that the Board may, in case they so desire, appear before the Auditor with respect to any matter relating to the Accounts.

I have examined the Statements of Account for the half-year to the 31st December last, which were laid before the Board on the 5th instant. There are no items, so far as I have discovered, on which the Board would desire to appear before the Auditor.

Would the Board authorise me to intimate the same to the Auditor and the Company, as in previous half-years?

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be approved, and that the Company be communicated with accordingly.

51. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 26th ultimo (No. 10), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Prospect-place, Highgate-road	...	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
Highgate-hill	...	...	...	...	Islington.
St. John's-villas	...	...	...	...	do.
Tavistock-terrace	...	...	...	...	do.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

52. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. E. Smith, Clerk to the Westminster District Board, dated 5th February, 1886, stating that the District Board had resolved to Petition in favour of the Metropolitan Board of Works, (Theatres, &c.) Bill, and suggesting the substitution in Clause 4 (page 2, line 1), of the word “any” for the words “the like.”

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parliamentary for consideration.

53. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. Bristow, dated 5th March, 1886, transmitting copy Resolutions, passed at a public meeting, urging upon the Board the desirability of immediate steps being taken to establish free communication between Greenwich and Millwall, and asking that a Deputation might attend the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Deputation be received by the Board on Friday next, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

54. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. R. A. Gilson, Chairman of the Committee of the Association for opposing an extension of time being obtained by the South-Eastern Railway Company, for the work authorised by the Company's Act of 1882, dated 6th March, 1886, stating that a report was current that the Company intended to abandon the formation of the Railway to Bricklayers' Arms; that the Committee felt that the Company, in case of such abandonment, should be held responsible for the damage inflicted on owners, leaseholders, occupiers and others, and asking for the Board's opinion whether the Company could legally be held responsible, and whether the Board would assist those injured in enforcing payment of compensation.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee.

55. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 5th March, 1886, asking whether the Board had arrived at a decision with reference to the suggested improvement, under the Artizans' and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Acts, of an unhealthy area near Angel-gardens, Cable-street, Shadwell.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

56. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. M. Jutsum, Clerk to the Vestry of Mile-end Old-town, dated 6th March, 1886, suggesting that the Board should undertake, as a Metropolitan Improvement, the widening of the entrance to Globe-road from the Mile-end-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

57. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. L. Pemberton, Home Office, dated 6th March, 1886, suggesting arrangements for the Board undertaking the future charge of the Duke of York's column and obtaining the necessary Parliamentary power for that purpose.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

58. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. H. Leane, Engineer to the Kimmeridge Carbon Filter Manure Company, asking for Plans and Sections of the outfall Reservoirs at Barking and Crossness, in order that the Company might adapt their designs thereto for experimenting on the Metropolitan Sewage.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

59. The Clerk presented a copy of the work entitled “Essays on the Street Re-alignment, “Re-construction, and Sanitation of Central London,” transmitted by the Council of the Society of Arts for the Board’s Library.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Book be received with thanks, and that it be placed in the Board’s Library.

60. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. M. Jenkins, Clerk to the Strand District Board, dated 10th March, 1886, urging the expediency of pulling down, with all possible speed, the houses acquired by this Board in Crown-street, Soho, so that work might be found for the unemployed.

The Clerk also presented a Letter from the Rev. J. M. Nisbet, Rector of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, dated 12th March, 1886, relative to the condition of the houses in the said street, and urging that they should be taken down.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letters be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which they relate, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee on the subject.

61. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. S. Mitchell, Clerk to the Vestry of Whitechapel, dated 10th March, 1886, asking the Board, on behalf of the Trustees of Whitechapel, to obtain power to control or suppress Shows in the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

62. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. Boyle, Local Government Board, dated 10th March, 1886, enclosing a copy of a Letter sent to the East London Waterworks Company, with respect to a complaint by the Poplar District Board, and of an Order made on the Company to give a constant supply of Water in a part of the Parish of All Saints, Poplar.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

63. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Blaikie, Secretary of the United Telephone Company, Limited, dated 11th March, 1886, again applying for permission to erect two wooden poles on the West side of the temporary Bridge at Hammersmith, and to run the wire across the Bridge.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Bridges Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

64. The Clerk presented a Notice from the Grand Junction Water Company, dated 10th March, 1886, of their intention to sell by auction 600 New Ordinary Shares of the nominal value of £50, being a further portion of the additional capital of £300,000.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Notice be received.

65. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 9th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphureted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.2	16.8	17.0	11.2	7.4	9.7	0.2	0.0	0.1	None
	Camden	17.3	16.3	16.8	11.9	8.5	10.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	"
	Dalston	16.6	16.2	16.5	12.4	10.6	11.8	0.3	0.0	0.1	"
	Bow	17.5	16.3	17.1	12.7	8.0	11.0	1.2	0.0	0.6	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	16.3	15.6	15.9	17.4	13.0	15.7	0.4	0.3	0.3	"
	" (Nine-elms)	16.3	16.2	16.3	13.2	13.2	13.2	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	Kingsland-road	17.1	16.3	16.8	11.2	8.8	10.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	"
	Charing-cross	16.6	16.1	16.3	12.4	9.7	11.0	0.9	0.6	0.7	"
	St. John's-wood	17.0	16.2	16.5	14.2	13.1	13.6	0.5	0.0	0.3	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	Station closed for repairs									
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Peckham	16.9	16.6	16.7	11.4	5.7	9.0	1.4	0.0	0.8	"
	Tooley-street	16.7	16.1	16.4	10.3	6.3	8.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	"
	Clapham	16.7	16.2	16.5	13.5	11.9	12.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Lewisham	16.4	16.1	16.3	14.2	8.3	10.8	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Old Ford	17.6	16.8	17.3	9.3	7.6	8.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	St. George-in-the- East	16.3	15.9	16.2	9.7	7.6	8.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Hackney-road, on the 4th instant, at 8.15 p.m., was 2.6 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Holloway-road, on the 9th inst., at 8.40 p.m., was 2.9 inches.

66. Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mrs. Oliver, on behalf of Mr. H. Oliver, District Surveyor for the District of Whitechapel, Spitalfields, the Hamlet of Mile-end New Town, and the Tower Liberty, stating that, in consequence of illness, Mr. Oliver was unable to attend to business, and asking the Board's consent to the appointment by him of Mr. Samuel Stenton Markham, District Surveyor, as his Deputy.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, and that this Board do consent to the appointment, by Mr. Henry Oliver, of Mr. Samuel Stenton Markham, District Surveyor, as his Deputy, and for the performance of the duties of District Surveyor in the District of Whitechapel, Spitalfields, the Hamlet of Mile-end New-town, and the Tower Liberty, for a period of Three months from this date.

67. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. P. Gillard, on behalf of Mr. F. G. Armfield, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a warehouse upon the site of No. 2, Rudford-road, Rotherhithe, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

68. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. J. Downes, on behalf of Mr. Stephens, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to No. 196, Brockley-road, Deptford, at the corner of Harcourt-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

69. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. A. Webster, on behalf of Mr. A. C. Hoile, for the consent of the Board to the erection of three shops at the corner of Shardeloes-road, Brockley-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 70. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Hards, on behalf of Mr. W. Moody, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house and shop, on the North side of Lower Woolwich-road, at the corner of Annandale-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 71. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. W. Tanner, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a one-story shop addition in front of No. 132, New-cross-road ("The Hop Pole" Beer-house) Deptford, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the Letter, and without the consent of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 72. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. H. Jones, on behalf of the Trustees of the late Mr. T. Rhodes, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows to two houses on the North side of Lenthall-road, Dalston, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-windows therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 73. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 6th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. Wright, for the permission of the Board to retain an addition made to a workshop at No. 137, Shacklewell-lane, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 74. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a structure in front of a shop in West-end-lane, without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 75. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. S. M. Benson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in front of Nos. 159 to 165, High-road, Lee, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 76. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. S. Jobbins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops, on a portion of the forecourts of Nos. 143 to 155, High-road, Lee, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 77. POPLAR.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. J. and J. S. Edmeston, on behalf of the London and South-Western Bank, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an additional height to an addition, approved by the Board on the 31st October, 1884 (No. 3), on a portion of the forecourts of Nos. 90 and 92, Bow-road, Bromley, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 78. ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Wood, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch or lobby addition to the stage entrance of the Avenue Theatre, in Craven-street, Strand, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 79. ST. MARYLEBONE.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. H. Collins, on behalf of Mr. H. Poole, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a three-storey projecting bay-window with dormer on the fourth-storey, over the shop in front of No. 256, Oxford-street, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erections therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 80. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. J. and J. S. Edmeston, on behalf of the Directors of the National Agricultural Hall Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the National Agricultural Hall, near the Addison-road Railway Station, at Hammersmith.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 81. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Burt, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wooden shed at the rear of No. 44, Lordship-road, Stoke Newington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 82. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1886, on a Letter from the Rev. W. E. Littlewood, requesting further information as to the offer made by the Board to return the deposit money in respect of the temporary Church in St. Thomas's-road, Finsbury-park.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 83. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for the permission of this Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron school building erected at Westow-hill, Upper Norwood.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 84. ST. PANCRA.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Ogle, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron studio erected in Berkeley-grove, Berkeley-road, Regent's-park.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 85. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on the application of the Rev. E. C. Brace, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church erected in Merton-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 86. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1886, relative to the return of the deposit money in respect of a temporary iron room erected in Eardley-road, Streatham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the subject be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 87. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. J. Lovegrove, Surveyor to the Hackney District Board, relative to the erection of sign-posts on the foot-paths of Glyn-road, Homerton, contrary to the Resolution of this Board of the 7th January, 1881 (No. 59).

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 88. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Pooley, on behalf of the National Liberal Land Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a further amended Plan for the formation and names of roads, and the widening of existing roads, on the Highbury Estate, Highbury-crescent.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 89. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Bentley, on behalf of Mr. E. Robinson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads, and the widening of an existing road, on an Estate situate to the South East of Highbury-place.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 90. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the joint application of Mr. A. Salter, Mr. H. W. Salter, and Mr. T. Nash, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of roads to lead out of High-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 91. POPLAR.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Dickinson, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a street between High-street and East India-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 92. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on a Notice from Mr. E. P. Charlwood, of his intention to form a road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying such Notice, to lead out of the South side of Cooper's Arms-lane, High-street, Putney, and to apply the name "Glazenburgh-road, S.W.," to the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Plan be approved, on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said road.

- 93. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. E. Hoole, on behalf of Miss Gillies, relative to the erection of a building in Church-walk, exceeding the height prescribed by the 85th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 94. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of stables, with dwelling rooms over the same, in Kingsgate-mews, Quex-road, Kilburn, without the open space at the rear thereof required by the Statute.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 95. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Wall, on behalf of Mr. R. Wallbutton, for approval by the Board of certain alterations and additions proposed to be made to the New-cross Public Hall, No. 411, New-cross-road, Deptford, as shown on the Drawings accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 96. CITY OF LONDON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Blake, on behalf of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment by the Board of Surveyors to Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, District Surveyor for the District of the Northern Division of the City of London, in respect of services performed by him in surveying Dangerous Structures within that District.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That Fees amounting to the sum of £5 17s. 6d., as specified in the Accounts numbered 1 to 5, now presented to this Board, be paid to Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, the District Surveyor mentioned in such Accounts, in respect of services performed by him in surveying Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

- 97. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Percival, on behalf of Messrs. Morgan, Ross and Co., for the permission of the Board to retain a temporary wood, iron, and slate office erected at Swedish Wharf, High-street, Peckham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 98. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Gough and Peach, on behalf of the Rev. J. H. Cardwell, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an addition to a temporary wood and iron Church in Margravine-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 99. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. H. Collins, on behalf of Mr. Willett, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wooden porch on a portion of the forecourt of Eaton-house, Eaton-avenue, at the corner of Strathray-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

- 100. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. G. Turner, Deputy District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in certifying that a chimney-breast in the party-wall of No. 486, Holloway-road (next No. 488) might be cut away.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Ten shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

- 101. ROTHERHITHE.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Thomas, on behalf of Messrs. Burt, Bolton and Haywood, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open shed at Durand's Wharf, No. 299, Rotherhithe-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 19th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 11.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **19th** day of **March**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

CHARLES HARRIS, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, ESQ.	JOHN REDDISH, ESQ.
GEORGE EDWARDS, ESQ.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, ESQ.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, ESQ.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQ., F.R.C.S., Eng.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-HALL, ESQ.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, ESQ.	FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER, ESQ.	SAMUEL PRICE, ESQ.
CHARLES MOSSOP, ESQ.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, ESQ.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-LIAMS, ESQ.
ROBERT FURNISS, ESQ.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, ESQ., M.P.	JOHN JONES, ESQ.
GEORGE JAMES, ESQ.	FREDERICK COX, ESQ.	GEORGE HILL, ESQ.
ANDREW CAMERON, ESQ.	JOHN BONTHRON, ESQ.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, ESQ., DEPUTY.
JOHN TOLHURST, ESQ.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, ESQ.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, ESQ.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICH-ARDSON, ESQ.	EDWIN LAWRENCE, ESQ.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, ESQ.
HENRY HARBEN, ESQ.	JOHN ABBOTT, ESQ.	ALFRED POCKOCK, ESQ.
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, ESQ.	LIEUT.-COLONEL MUNRO.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, ESQ.
WILLIAM URQUHART, ESQ.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOW-LER, BART., ALDERMAN, M.P.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR-CLOUGH, ESQ.
JOHN LENANTON, ESQ.	LIEUT.-COL. HUGHES, M.P.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND-SAY, ESQ.
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, ESQ.	ROBERT FREEMAN, ESQ.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, ESQ.
JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBSON, ESQ.	
ALFRED EWIN, ESQ.	BENJAMIN WEIR, ESQ.	
GEORGE BROWN, ESQ.		
ROBERT JONES, ESQ.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 12th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.
2. Read a Letter, as follows—

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch.

Vestry Offices, Town-hall, Old-street, E.C.,
17th March, 1886.

SIR,—I have to inform you that, upon receipt of your Letter, announcing the vacancy in your Board occasioned by the death of Mr. Thomas Turner, representative of this Parish, the

Vestry proceeded to the election of his successor, and have now elected Edwin Lawrence, Esquire of 10, Kensington-palace-gardens, W., to be the Member for this Parish in the place of Mr. Thos. Turner, deceased as aforesaid.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) E. WALKER,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Spring-gardens.

3. A Deputation from a public meeting of inhabitants, held at the Lecture-hall, Royal-hill, Greenwich, introduced by Mr. Richardson, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. N. J. Fenner, Mr. W. G. Watts, Mr. B. Mitchell, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. G. Allworth, Mr. E. Peirce, Mr. J. Mead, Mr. H. Williams, Mr. J. Peppercorn, Mr. C. Fowler, Mr. R. S. Jackson, Mr. E. Sydney, and Mr. A. Budds, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Memorial on behalf of the inhabitants of the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent,

SHEWETH,

That there is great and urgent need of free communication between Greenwich and Millwall, owing to a large working population living in both Parishes, and who are compelled to cross to and fro daily for the purpose of following their ordinary avocations, and also upon the ground that it is absolutely necessary to have some sort of communication for vehicular traffic between Greenwich and Millwall, and so save the very great distance that horses and carts have now to travel all round London to get to the opposite side of the water.

That the Parish of Greenwich and adjacent Parishes have contributed very largely to other Metropolitan Improvements, and comparatively little money has been laid out by the Metropolitan Board of Works in this District.

That your Memorialists do not desire to express any opinion as to what the means of communication should be, leaving it to the Metropolitan Board of Works to decide the matter.

(Signed) N. J. FENNER.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Andrews, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

4. A Letter was presented from Mr. E. Yates, dated 13th March, 1886, stating that he was about to make arrangements for pulling down and re-building a part of Gaywood-street, St. George's-road, Southwark, and for widening the thoroughfare, by giving up the portion of land, coloured Blue on the Plan accompanying his Letter, and asking the Board to waive the requirement in the 29th Section of the Metropolitan Building Act as to the area required for the yards of the proposed new buildings until Michaelmas, 1888, at which time he would have possession of the part coloured Yellow on the Plan, which would give the area required by the Act.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that Mr. Yates be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Pocock be invited to attend the Committee.

5. Mr. Ewin handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry Hall,
Church-row, Bethnal-green, E.,
March, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—By direction of the Vestry of this Parish, I send herewith a copy of a Plan, and a key Plan, showing a suggested Improvement at the Western end of Green-street, by

setting back the wall and rails of St. John's Churchyard and the fence of the Vicarage garden.

Negotiations have taken place with the Vicar, the result of which is, that he (with the approval of the Bishop) is now prepared to give the requisite consent to the Improvement being carried out, subject to the following conditions—

That the carriage-way from Cambridge-road to the South-East corner of Victoria-park-square, be paved with wood.

That there shall be a new dwarf wall, with iron railings, to enclose the Churchyard, and a cleft oak fence to enclose the Vicarage garden.

The estimated cost of the work, with the necessary alterations to the foot-way and carriage-way of Cambridge-road, is £1,650.

I am directed to ask that your Board will be so good as to consent to the suggested Improvement being carried out at the joint expense of the Board and the Vestry.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

Faithfully yours,
(Signed) ROBERT VOSS.

The Plan referred to was laid before the Board.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

6. Mr. Richardson handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

141, Greenwich-road, Greenwich, S.E.,
18th March, 1886.

SIR,—I am instructed to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 17th instant, in which you state that the Metropolitan Board of Works has come to the conclusion that it has no legal powers to form a lake on Blackheath. My Board, understanding that the objection on legal grounds is taken because the soil of the proposed site is vested in the Crown, I am desirous to request that the Metropolitan Board of Works may be pleased to take steps to obtain the consent of the Crown to the proposed lake, so that the opportunity of profitably employing the funds granted by the Mansion House Council may not be lost. I am also to point out that there are two gravel pits marked on the Plan referred to in the Blackheath Scheme “vested in the Crown,” one of which the Metropolitan Board of Works has already covered with water, in which are two small islands planted with trees.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. SPENCER,
Clerk of the Board.

The Clerk of the
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Richardson, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

7. The Clerk laid before the Board the following Statement—

STATEMENT OF THE ALLOWANCE OF THE AUDITOR.

I, Alfred Richard Pennefather, having been appointed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to Audit the Accounts of the Metropolitan Board of Works for the year ended the 31st December, 1885, certify that I have examined the Books, Vouchers, and other Documents relating thereto, and that I have this day held, at the Offices of the Board, a public Audit, as required by Section 195 of the Act, 18 and 19, Vict., cap. 120.

I have ascertained that the expenditure during the year 1885 has not exceeded the amounts granted by the several Sections of the Acts 47 and 48 Vict., cap. 50, and 48 and 49, Vict., cap.

19 March, 1886.

50, having reference to the year ended 31st December, 1885, and that the limits imposed as regards the total expenditure under certain Acts have not been exceeded.

The total sum authorised by Acts above alluded to, to be raised on the security of the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock for expenditure to be incurred up to the 31st December, 1885, was ... £3,607,000 - -

The Treasury, in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by Sec. 7 of the Act 47 and 48 Vict., cap. 50, sanctioned an additional sum of £130,000 being expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Streets Improvement Act, 1877 ... 130,000 - -

Giving an available borrowing power of ... 3,737,000 - -

The sum chargeable against this amount (excluding £1,034,482, which was advanced under the provisions of Section 13 of the Act 47 and 48 Vict., cap. 50, out of the Consolidated Loans Fund) is ... 1,642,964 10 6

The lapsed borrowing power is therefore ... £2,094,035 9 6

The sums raised under the Act 47 and 48 Vict., cap. 50, exceeded the expenditure during the year 1885 by £422,510 3s. 9d., viz.—

Streatham-common	...	...	...	...	...	£478 13 8
Bridges (under Act of 1877)	...	...	...	...	...	8,599 - 11
Main Drainage (exclusive of a sum of £3,977 18s. 7d. transferred under Treasury sanction from other accounts)	...	...	...	...	...	19,966 9 7
Artizans' Dwellings	...	...	...	...	...	35,325 2 4
Minor Improvements (under Act 47 and 48 Vict., cap. 50)	...	...	...	...	...	57,798 2 1
Various Powers Act, 1884	...	...	...	...	...	43,615 17 3
District Railway Ventilators	...	...	...	...	...	6,726 17 11
Loans to Vestries	...	...	...	...	...	14,520 - -
Loans to Guardians	...	...	...	...	...	50,000 - -
Loans to other bodies	...	...	...	...	...	50,000 - -
Loans to Metropolitan Asylum District Managers	...	...	...	...	...	135,480 - -
						£422,510 3 9

These excess cash balances will have to be surrendered, and should be adjusted when next the Board require to raise a Loan on the security of the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock. I have ascertained that the sums raised on the security of the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock in excess of the requirements of the Board for the year 1884, have been surrendered and written off in diminution of the sums authorised to be raised for 1885.

Expenditure amounting to £1,741 4s. 4d. was incurred during the year 1885 in opposing the Bills of the Southwark and Vauxhall and the Kent Water Companies, as these Bills did not, in my opinion, attack the "rights, privileges, or duties" of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and as Section 144 of the Act 18 and 19 Vict., cap. 120, gives the Board no power to expend the Consolidated Rate on such oppositions, I am unable to allow the expenditure.

The amount realised as the proceeds of a rate of one halfpenny in the pound upon the gross value of the property assessed to the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate was £73,177 14s. 8d., and other receipts brought the amount available for the expenses of the Fire Brigade to £111,375 3s. 11d., the expenditure, exclusive of a sum of £900, which will be repaid out of capital in the year 1886, having amounted to £116,977 19s. 2d., the limit imposed by the 22nd Section of the Act 32 and 33 Vict. cap. 102, has been exceeded to the extent of £5,602 15s. 3d. I am consequently unable to allow the Fire Brigade Working Account.

The amount required to meet the Dividend on the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock is paid to the Bank of England. In former Reports I had to draw attention to the fact that the Dividends due on the Stock have not all been claimed by the persons entitled thereto, and as there was no provision in the Act 32 and 33 Vict., cap. 102, relating to the eventual disposition of unclaimed Dividends, the balance remained at the Bank of England. Provision has now been made, under the Act 48 and 49 Vict., cap. 50, for dealing with these Dividends, and also unclaimed Stock.

A Certificate from the Manager of the London and Westminster Bank that Treasury Bills amounting to £300,000 were held by that Bank on the 31st December, 1885, has been laid before me, as well as a Certificate from the Chief Accountant of the Bank of England that the sum of £3,120 8s. 5d., Metropolitan Consolidated $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Stock, was standing in the names of Sir James McGarel Hogg and Robert Freeman, Esq., on account of the Firemen's Savings Fund.

Given under my hand this 15th day of March, 1886.

(Signed)

A. R. PENNEFATHER,
Auditor.

EXPENDITURE—YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1885.

EXPENDITURE.				BALANCES, 31st December, 1885.													
General payments and Investments.		Loans to various Bodies, £1,486,551 16s. Loans repaid, £225,533 6s. 8d.		Transfers between various accounts of the Board.		TOTAL.		In Credit.		In Debt.							
£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.						
3,802	16	-	...		11,133	-	1	269,735	16	1	...	234,357	11	5			
7,877	19	2	...		...			117,877	19	2	...	6,502	15	3			
3,762	7	4	...		484	9	11	9,246	17	3	6,064	9	1	...			
2,732	5	8	1,062,085	2	8	...		1,904,817	8	4	122,483	6	4	...			
1,329	-	6	650,000	-	-	1,099,623	12	4	3,042,922	12	10	295,895	11	3	...		
4,943	7	3	...		...			34,943	7	3	...	...					
8,664	4	4	...		...			8,664	4	4	...	...					
9,714	15	7	...		...			109,714	15	7	...	...					
40,342	9	2	...		...			40,342	9	2	...	...					
27	1	4	...		...			27	1	4	...	...					
4,033	10	5	...		...			164,033	10	5	...	...					
4,463	5	10	...		...			4,463	5	10	...	...					
641	7	10	...		...			641	7	10	...	...					
40,376	9	10	...		...			470,376	9	10	...	...					
4,589	9	9	...		26	5	-	14,615	14	9	...	...					
4,410	11	7	...		...			254,410	11	7	...	...					
2,520	2	11	...		...			2,520	2	11	...	...					
357	15	-	...		...			357	15	-	...	...					
4,922	17	11	...		...			4,922	17	11	...	...					
35,472	12	2	...		...			65,472	12	2	4,923	13	-	...			
15	12	-	...		10	-	-	25	12	-	39	-	1	...			
3,645	17	4	...		...			73,645	17	4	...	26,885	17	10			
16	19	7	...		...			16	19	7	...	16	19	7			
30,301	11	6	...		...			60,301	11	6	...	60,301	11	6			
...			...		325,702	9	6	325,702	9	6	...	...					
361	8	6	...		...			361	8	6	190	12	1	...			
31,095	18	6	1,712,085	2	8	1,436,979	16	10	6,980,160	18	-	429,596	11	10	328,064	15	7
<u>£5,543,181 1 2</u>												328,064 15 7					
												*101,531 16 3					
Balance at the end of the year (exclusive of £398,900 invested in Treasury Bills, and £5,500 permanently advanced to the Wages and Petty Disbursement Account) ...								*101,531 16 3									
								7,081,692 14 3									

* Viz., Cash balance in hands of Treasurer on Consolidated Account ... £170,011 15 4
Amount of Cheques issued but not presented, on 31st December, 1885 ... 68,479 19 1
£101,531 16 3

MENTS.

Balance in hand January, 1885.	Invested during the year.	Realised during the year.	Balance in hand 31st December, 1885.
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
398,516 13 4	1,197,892 7 11	1,297,509 1 3	398,900 - -
3,620 8 5	...	500 0 0	3,120 8 5
402,137 1 9	1,197,892 7 11	1,298,009 1 3	402,020 8 5

Examined and allowed, with the exception of £1,741 4s. 4d., expended in opposing the Southwark and Vauxhall and the Kent Water Companies' Bills, and with the exception of the Fire Brigade Working Account.

(Signed) A. R. PENNEFATHER,
Auditor.

8. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 15th March, 1886.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn the following Cheques—

<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Hanson and Bowden (Putney)—(746)—</i>							
Deacon, Son and Gibson—							
32	Interest on Purchase-money, from 13th November, 1885, to 12th March, 1886 (less Tax) ...					16	10 3
<i>Streets (Act of 1872).</i>							
<i>Re Parker's Trustees (Shoreditch)—(747)—</i>							
Hicklin, Washington and Pasmore—							
4848	Costs of application for payment out of balance of Fund in Court ...					19	- -
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>							
<i>Re Spiller (Charing-cross)—(748)—</i>							
West, King, Adams and Co.—							
8694	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c. ...		19	11 8			
<i>Re Moser (Charing-cross)—(749)—</i>							
Pattison, Wigg and Co.—							
8695	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c. ...		10	10 -			
<i>Re London and County Bank (Piccadilly)—(750)—</i>							
Veal, R. H.—							
8696	Costs relating to apportionment Agreement ...		2	12 6			
<i>Re Harris (Charing-cross)—(751)—</i>							
Walker, W.—							
8697	Costs of Title and Conveyance ...		7	6 -			
<i>Re Clarke (Charing-cross)—(752)—</i>							
Mathews, J. A. S.—							
8698	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c. ...		4	5 2		44	5 4
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>							
<i>Re Merceron's Trustees (Bethnal-green)—(753)—</i>							
Fisher and Fisher—							
868	Costs of application for Investment ...		17	17 -			
<i>Re Lias (Bermondsey)—(754)—</i>							
Lias, R.—							
869	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 40 and 41, Star-corner ...	£180	-	-			
870	Trade compensation ...	740	-	-			
			920	- -			
Crosse, E., and Keeves, G. H. T.—							
871	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract ...		23	2 -			
<i>Re Horton (Upper-street, Islington)—(755)—</i>							
Denton, Hall, and Burgin—							
872	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c. ...		10	17 10			
Carried forward ...			£971	16 10		79	15 7

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	971	16	10	79	15	7
<i>Re</i> Carrington (Bermondsey)—(756)—								
	Crowder and Vizard—							
873	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	15	2	10			
<i>Re</i> Hughes (Bethnal-green)—(757)—								
	Cooke, W. C.—							
874	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	10	16	-			
	Burchell and Co.—							
875	Mortgagee's Costs	... ..	9	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Naylor (Bermondsey)—(758)—								
	Wilson, R.—							
876	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	6	7	6			
<i>Re</i> Line (Walworth-road)—(759)—								
	Stoneham and Son—							
877	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	16	14	2			
<i>Re</i> Simmonds (Bethnal-green)—(760)—								
	Walker, W.—							
878	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	13	16	6			
<i>Re</i> Cotterell (Walworth-road)—(761)—								
	Cotterell, Mrs. Elizabeth—							
879	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in No. 98, Walworth-road	...	600	-	-			
	Stimson, E.—							
880	Surveyor's Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	14	14	-			
	Burton, B.—							
881	Preliminary Costs, as per Order of Committee	...	10	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Armfield (Bermondsey)—(762)—								
	Armfield, Joseph Edward—							
882	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 8, Bermondsey-new-road	 £1,000	-	-				
883	Trade compensation	 1,750	-	-				
			2,750	-	-			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
884	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	34	13	-			
	Simpson, Palmer and Winder—							
885	Preliminary Costs, as per Contract	...	10	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Morgan (Bermondsey)—(763)—								
	Morgan, F.—							
886	Compensation in respect of No. 231, Grange-road		25	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Brown (Upper-street, Islington)—(764)—								
	Isaacs and Florence—							
887	Fee in respect of Inventory of fixtures	...	6	6	-			
						4,495	16	10
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
Compensation for removal, &c:—								
	Willgress, Emma, and Bolton, Jane—(765)—							
313	Nos. 5 to 7, Oriel-cottages	...	30	-	-			
	Carried forward	...	£30	-	-	4,575	12	5

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	30	-	-	4,575	12	5
Martin, E.—(766)—								
314	No. 2, Little Church-row	...	25	-	-			
Seymour, J. W.—(767)—								
315	No. 7, Little Church-row	...	25	-	-			
Burrows, T.—(768)—								
316	No. 5, Little Church-row	...	15	-	-			
						95	-	-
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>								
Re Blackmore—(769)—								
Blackmore, Benjn. Gosling—								
1	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 263, High-street, Poplar	...	£100	-	-			
2	Trade compensation	...	£86	-	-			
						906	-	-
Walker and Runtz—								
3	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract...	...	19	19	-			
Re Gurney—(770)—								
Gurney, Lloyd—								
4	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 261, High-street, Poplar	...	£87	-	-			
5	Trade compensation	...	363	-	-			
						450	-	-
Baines, C., and Ball—								
6	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	14	-	-			
						1,389	19	-
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
Re St. Saviour's Grammar School (Whitecross-street)—(791)—								
Saunderson, Jno.—								
5700	Proportion of Rent-charge in respect of Nos. 101, 102 and 105, Whitecross-street, from Midsummer, 1880, to Lady-day, 1886	...	57	10	-			
Re Davis (Goulston-street)—(771)—								
Procter, R.—								
5701	Costs of Assignment	...	3	3	-			
Re Ratcliff (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(772)—								
Dunch, C.—								
5702	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	14	14	-			
Ratcliff, T. W., and Son—								
5703	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	14	19	2			
Re Skinner (Tench-street)—(773)—								
Bank of England—								
5704	Purchase-money for Fee-simple in No. 7, Lower-well-alley	...	80	-	-			
Re Bromley's Trustees (Tench-street)—(774)—								
Bank of England—								
5705	Purchase-money for Fee-simple in No. 23, Green-bank, and No. 24, Lower-well-alley	...	750	-	-			
Jolly, F., and Co.—								
5706	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	16	16	-			
	Carried forward	...	£937	2	2	6,060	11	5

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	937	2	2	6,060	11	5
<i>Re</i> Hampsheir (Tench-street)—(775 and 776)—								
	Scott, Thos., Giblett, R. Whitfield, and Pearce, Thos.—							
5707	Purchase-money for Fee-simple in Nos. 7 to 23 (odd numbers), Church-gardens	...	610	-	-			
	Field, A. and A.—							
5708	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	15	15	-			
	Starling and Giblett—							
5709	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	10	6	2			
<i>Re</i> Walton (Tench-street)—(777)—								
	Maude, Jno., and Maude, Wm.—							
5710	Purchase-money for Fee-simple in No. 2, Maynard's-court	...	150	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Knight (Trafalgar-road)—(778)—								
	Courtney, Croome and Co.—							
5711	Rent and interest in respect of Nos. 1 to 6, East- place, Greenwich, from Michaelmas, 1885, to 19th February, 1886 (less Tax)	...	9	3	6			
<i>Re</i> Goode (Tench-street)—(779)—								
	Hammack, J. G.—							
5712	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	12	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Walker (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(780 and 781)—								
	Durant, T.—							
5713	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	£8 8 8						
	Proportion of tenant's Rent of Nos. 15 to 17, Elliott's-square, from Christmas, 1885, to 5th March, 1886 (less Tax)	...	1	19	6			
			10	8	2			
<i>Re</i> Howe (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(782)—								
	Spencer, J.—							
5714	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	9	15	10			
<i>Re</i> Francis (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(783)—								
	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 49 to 60, Butcher's-row, and Nos. 1 to 7, Glebe- court—							
5715	Russell, Mrs. Susan	... £1,100 - -						
5716	Francis, F. W.	... 1,900 - -						
			3,000	-	-			
	Hards, F.—							
5717	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	29	8	-			
	Phillips, J. and J.—							
5718	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	...	15	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Billingsley (Tench-street)—(784)—								
	Merriman, Pike and Merriman—							
5719	Costs of Title and Conveyance	... £8 15 2						
5720	Interest on Purchase-money from 17th August, 1885, to 24th February, 1886 (less Tax)	...	4	4	-			
			12	19	2			
	Carried forward	...	£4,822	8	-	6,060	11	5

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	4,822	8	-	6,060	11	5
<i>Re Gillett's Trustees (Tench-street)—(785)—</i>							
Bank of England—							
5721	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 7, 9, 11 and 13, Lower Gun-alley, and for Fee-simple in No. 10, Salter's-alley	...	...	834	-	-	
<i>Re Skelt's Trustees (Tench-street)—(786)—</i>							
Skelt, George, and Cawston, Varo Robert Finney—							
5722	Purchase-money for Fee-simple in Nos. 13, 15 and 17, Salter's-alley	...	...	360	-	-	
<i>Re Owens (Windmill-row)—(787)—</i>							
Owens, Thomas—							
5723	Purchase-money for interest as yearly tenant of No. 17, King-street, Lambeth	...	...	62	-	-	
<i>Re Kelly (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(788)—</i>							
Kelly, Henry—							
5724	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 1 to 6, Rope-walk	...	...	225	-	-	
Baines, C., and Ball—							
5725	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	8	8	-	
<i>Re Holt and Co. (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(789)—</i>							
Dunch, C.—							
5726	Fee for attendance to settle as to boundaries of property purchased under Scheme	...	...	3	3	-	
				6,314 19 -			
				£12,375 10 5			

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 34), from Mr. E. R. Hordley, transmitting an extract from a newspaper giving an account of Sewage experiments conducted by him before the Mayor and Corporation of Stoke. From a Report which your Committee have received from your Engineer and your Chemist upon Mr. Hordley's process, it does not appear that it is one which would be suitable for the treatment of the London Sewage; and they therefore recommend—

That Mr. Hordley be thanked for his communication, and be informed to the foregoing effect.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter, referred to them by the Board on the 23rd December last (No. 31), from Messrs. Sharp and Co., Limited, on the subject of their method (under the "Austin Porous" system) of dealing with Sewage. This method consists of a wooden float from which is suspended a bi-conical wire case containing an Asbestos bag filled with a precipitant. The whole apparatus is intended to rise and fall with the Sewage and is to be kept in a vertical straight line by a wire rope stretching from the floor to the roof of the settling tank. Your Engineer and your Chemist have reported to your Committee upon the matter, and have pointed out that the arrangement is well adapted for the gradual solution of a soluble salt in an ordinary flow of water, or in a tank the water from which is to be used for sanitary purposes, but that it is not a suitable apparatus for facilitating the addition of precipitating chemicals to sewage as its action would be too local and slow for the purpose in view. Your Committee concur in that view, and beg to recommend—

That Messrs. Sharp and Co. be thanked for submitting their method for dealing with Sewage, and that they be informed that the Board are of opinion that the method would not be suitable for the Metropolis.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 19th ultimo (No. 37), from the Vestry of Hampstead, referring to their previous Letter in relation to a suggested extension of the cricket-ground on Hampstead-heath, transmitting a communication from Lord Brabazon, offering to defray the whole cost of the labour which would be involved in making such extension. Your Committee have also had before them a further Letter from the Vestry, forwarding a copy of a Resolution passed by them, calling attention to the condition of that portion of the West-heath which is used as a playground, and to the offer of the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association to expend money in payment of wages for labour which might be utilised for the purpose of putting the ground in order, and suggesting that immediate action should be taken to secure the grant; and also forwarding a copy of the Letter from the Association submitting the proposal. On a full consideration of the circumstances, your Committee have arrived at the conclusion that the proposition is not one which the Board can entertain, and they recommend—

That the Vestry of Hampstead be so informed, and that a communication on the subject be addressed to the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association, whose Chairman, Lord Brabazon, has also written to your Committee.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Memorial, referred to them on the 26th ultimo (No. 3), from the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Workmen's Political Vigilance Association, urging the expediency of Artizans and Labourers' Dwellings being erected on the vacant sites in the Metropolis, and the commencement of the Improvements in Bermondsey and Rotherhithe. The Memorialists are probably unaware that the Board have no power to build on the sites referred to, and can only facilitate the object desired by acquiring and clearing the various sites with a view to their being submitted to public tender. No time is being lost in carrying out that work, and your Committee recommend—

That the Memorialists be informed that no time will be lost in clearing the sites, and carrying out the Improvements referred to.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter, referred by the Board on the 6th November last (No. 20), from the Hackney District Board, in reply to this Board's Letter, stating, with reference to a proposed new road across South-mill-field, that although they had hoped that this Board would have dealt with the work as a Metropolitan Improvement, the District Board, taking into consideration the urgent necessity for such an outlet, will be prepared to carry out the work, provided this Board will contribute a moiety of the cost thereof. The estimate given by the District Board is £1,359 11s. 8d., which, in the opinion of your Engineer and your Superintending Architect, is a reasonable one, but it is pointed out by them that it is necessary, for the purpose of preventing encroachments of vehicles upon the Field, that a post and rail fence, similar to that on other portions of the Field, should be erected on both sides of the road for its entire length, which would increase the cost by about £160, making a total of £1,519 11s. 8d. The Board, by the Resolution passed on the 9th October last (No. 9), have already expressed the opinion that the suggested work is one which should be done as a Local Improvement, and as it appears to your Committee to be of a very desirable character, and the District Board are willing to carry it out, they think that this Board may very properly bear a portion of the cost. They therefore recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost, estimated at £1,519 11s. 8d., of a new road proposed by the Hackney District Board across South-mill-field, and fencing for the same, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £759, and that it be paid to the District Board on completion of the work to the satisfaction of the Board's Officers, and on condition that the District Board undertake to maintain, repair and light the road.

Your Committee recommend—

That the reference to them of the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, forwarding a copy of a Resolution, asking the Board not to give up to the Governors of Dulwich College

any of the land which they have given to the Board, be discharged, the matter having been dealt with by the Parliamentary Committee in their Report to the Board on Friday last.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
GEO. EDWARDS,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. E. R. Hordley be thanked for his Letter with reference to his Sewage experiments, and that he be informed that his process is not, in the opinion of the Board, a suitable one for the treatment of the London Sewage.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Messrs. Sharp and Co., Limited, be thanked for their Letter submitting their method (under the "Austin Porous" system) of dealing with Sewage, and that they be informed that the Board are of opinion that the method would not be suitable for the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of Hampstead be informed, in reply to their Letters suggesting an extension of the cricket-ground on Hampstead-heath, and as to putting certain ground on the West Heath in order, and transmitting a communication from the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association, offering to defray the whole cost of the labour which would be involved in making such extension, that the proposition is one which the Board cannot entertain; and that a communication be addressed to the Association in reply to their Letter to the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Workmen's Political Vigilance Association be informed in reply to their Memorial urging the expediency of Artizans and Labourers' Dwellings being erected on the vacant sites in the Metropolis, and also the commencement of the Local Improvements in Bermondsey and Rotherhithe, that no time will be lost in clearing the sites and carrying out the Improvements referred to.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, and seconded by Mr. Deputy Saunders—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 13, against it 22, and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost; the original motion was then put to the vote, and carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That this Board do contribute one-half of the cost, estimated at £1,519 11s. 8d., of a new road proposed by the Hackney District Board to be made across South-mill-field, and of the fencing for the same, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £759, and that it be paid to the District Board, on completion of the work to the satisfaction of the proper Officers of this Board, and on condition that the District Board do undertake to maintain, repair, and light the said road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the reference to the Committee of the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, forwarding a copy of a Resolution, asking the Board not to give up to the Governors of Dulwich College any of the land which they have given to the Board, be discharged.

9. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 16th March, 1886.

Your Committee have had before them a Report and Medical Certificate to the effect that Mr. H. R. Brakspear, a temporary Assistant in your Superintending Architect's Department engaged upon Fire Brigade buildings, is seriously ill, and will not be able to attend to his duties for several weeks. Mr. Brakspear, although a temporary Assistant, has been five years in your Superintending Architect's Department, and your Committee think that it will be in accordance with the wish of the Board that he should have leave of absence during his illness. They accordingly recommend—

That four weeks' leave of absence be granted to Mr. Brakspear.

Edward Edwards, a Fourth-class Fireman, has been reported to your Committee for having been drunk while in charge of a Fire-escape. For an offence of this gravity dismissal seems the only adequate punishment, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That he be dismissed.

Your Committee have to report that Fourth-class Fireman Sydney Davenport has withdrawn from the service, and that his name has accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Your Committee recommend—

That James E. Bennison, Robert H. Robins, and James H. Harradine, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

On the 5th instant (No. 12), the Board authorised your Committee to obtain a suitable Barge to be moored in the River as a place of storage of coal and coke for the use of the floating Engines. They have now to report that, acting under that authority, they have arranged for an iron Barge or Raft to be supplied by Messrs. F. Braby and Co., of Deptford, for the sum of £285 10s.

They have also, in pursuance of another Resolution of the Board of the same date, arranged with Messrs. Merryweather and Sons to supply a new Steam Fire-engine in place of the old Engine, No. 66, for the sum of £275, Messrs. Merryweather to receive the old Engine in addition to that amount.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

GEO. HILL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
ROBT. JONES,
W. R. SELWAY,
W. J. WETENHALL.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That four weeks' leave of absence, on account of illness, be granted to Mr. H. R. Brakspear, a temporary Assistant in the Superintending Architect's Department.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That Fourth-class Fireman Edward Edwards be dismissed for misconduct.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That James E. Bennison, Robert H. Robins and James H. Harradine be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

10. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 16th March, 1886.

Your Committee beg to submit, herewith two Reports which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under Magistrates' Orders at the premises therein mentioned, the same being Dangerous Structures, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrates to be done at the following premises, the same being Dangerous Structures, viz.—

No. 128, Wandsworth-road, Lambeth.

No. 2, Western-passage, St. George-in-the-East.

Your Committee have had before them an Account from Mr. Thomas Blashill, District Surveyor, for £6 6s., being his charges for attending at the Worship-street Police-court and the High Court of Justice, on behalf of the Board in the year 1884. The legal proceedings related to certain houses in Hepscott-road, White-post-lane, Hackney, and your Committee reported the result on the 23rd January, 1885. The charges appear to be reasonable, and your Committee recommend—

That a Cheque for £6 6s. be drawn in favour of Mr. T. Blashill.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. C. Fowler, District Surveyor for Shoreditch, relative to the erection of Artizans' Dwellings in a narrow way known as Chatham-gardens, Nile-street, referred by the Board on the 26th June last (No. 69). In connection with the subject, your Committee have also considered the Letter from Messrs. Baylis and Pearce, asking the Board to make an early appointment for a conference with the Trustees of the Joint Gift Estates of Cripplegate and St. Luke, upon the present condition of the buildings for Artizans' Dwellings now in course of completion in Chatham-gardens, in the hope that by an actual inspection the Board will be satisfied that it is a case in which they should give their sanction to the buildings, and refrain from the further prosecution of the Special Case, referred by the Board, on the 26th ultimo (No. 32). The Board, on the recommendation of your Committee, on the 24th July last, instructed their Solicitor to take proceedings against the builder of the dwellings, which will be approached by a paved way, 24 feet in width, having only one opening, and without direct communication between two streets. The buildings are erected partly upon an old site formerly covered by cottages, with gardens attached thereto. Your Committee reported, on the 13th November last, that the Magistrate had dismissed the Summons, being of opinion that the present arrangement was preferable to the old state of things; and the Board instructed their Solicitor to appeal against the decision. The Magistrate did not rule that the way was a street, and your Solicitor is now of opinion that it might be difficult to obtain a reversal of the decision. Your Committee, having received explanations from the Trustees, and having inspected a model of the buildings, think it unnecessary to proceed with the appeal; and they recommend—

That no further action be taken with reference to the appeal against the decision of the Magistrate, and that the parties be so informed.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, referred by the Board on the 5th ultimo (No. 5), stating that complaint had been made to the Vestry that Mr. W. W. Tanner had erected a structure at No. 81, Meeting-house-lane, without a License from the Board; that a Notice had been served, under Section 13 of the Metropolis Management and Building Acts (Amendment) Act, 1882, on Mr. Tanner, that he would be liable to a penalty, not exceeding £5, and to a further penalty of Forty shillings for every day during which such structure continued without the License having been obtained; that the structure had not been removed; and asking whether the Board would take proceedings to

compel the offender to comply with the Statute. Your Committee are informed that the builder has removed a certain portion of the structure complained of, but has left two iron columns and the front fascia board, which remain isolated, about 12 feet distant from the house. Your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, stating that posts had been erected in Harroway-road and Holman-road, and hoardings in Buckton-street, as shown on the Plan transmitted with the Letter, referred by the Board on the 12th ultimo (No. 8). The roads were approved by the Board in 1868, and have been formed of the full width, with several houses fronting on them. Some barriers have been placed across the roads, and your Solicitor is of opinion that proceedings should be taken to have them removed. Your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the Letter from Mr. A. Williams, District Surveyor, as to the alleged irregular erection of a workshop building in Allen-street, at the rear of No. 7, Bath-place, High-street, Kensington, referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 47). A two-storey workshop has been erected to the line of porticoes in Allen-street, being 4 feet in advance of the general line of frontage. Your Committee concur with your Solicitor in thinking that the Vestry should take the necessary proceedings, and they recommend—

That the attention of the Vestry of Kensington be called to the subject, in order that they may, if they consider it necessary, take proceedings under Section 75 of the Act 25 and 26 Vic. cap. 102.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. W. Simmons, requesting that the amount of the Office fees paid by him in respect to two Licenses granted for the use of concrete in the construction of the walls of No. 63, Lincoln's-inn-fields, and of Offices at the rear thereof, might be returned to him, referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 55). Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Solicitor, who states that he sees no reason why the Board should refund the Office fees. Your Committee agreeing in that opinion recommend—

That Mr. Simmons be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the Board are unable to comply with his request.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, relative to the formation of Amies-street, Latchmere-road, Battersea, of a less width than that approved by the Board on the 9th January, 1880 (No. 7), referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 58). An old shed at the end of the gardens of the houses in Latchmere-road projects at one angle about 5 feet into the way, which has not been paved, and at the end next Amies-street a barrier has been erected. Your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. G. H. and A. Bywaters, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of openings in the party-wall between Nos. 42 and 43, Park-lane, Piccadilly, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 64). Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor, that the Board have no power under the Building Act to grant the application, and they recommend—

That it be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. B. Fletcher, M.P., District Surveyor for Newington, relative to the re-erection, without the consent of the Board, of No. 15, Newington-butts, with the upper floors projecting beyond the original line

of the building, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 42). The Board's approval was granted in October, 1885, on condition that the land outside the re-erected shop front were given up to the public way. Your Solicitor is of opinion that the Board have no power to compel the owner of the land to give up the ground, as he does not seem to have committed any offence under the 75th Section of the Act relating to frontage lines. Your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Fletcher be so informed.

Your Committee have further considered the Letter from the Lewisham District Board, relative to the erection of the forecourt wall of All Saints' Orphanage, Granville-park, within the prescribed distance from the centre of the road as provided by the Amendment Act, 1878, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 56). Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Solicitor, who is of opinion that proceedings should be taken to have the wall brought into conformity with the Plan agreed upon by the parties. Your Committee, agreeing in that view, recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 74), referred to your Committee the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a structure in front of a shop in West end-lane, Hampstead, without the consent of the Board. The structure complained of by the District Surveyor consists of a tarpaulin shelter, measuring about 15 feet by 11 feet; supported upon 4 deal posts and rafters. The posts are let into the ground, and the framework is put together with coach screws. Your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

Your Committee have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of Friday last (No. 93), referring to them for consideration the Letter from Mr. E. Hoole, on behalf of Miss Gillies, relative to the erection of a building in Church-walk, Hampstead, exceeding the height prescribed by the 85th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862. A three-storey stable has been erected in Church-walk, Hampstead, upon the site of some old stabling. Church-walk is an old mews closed with gates, and has only one entrance. Your Solicitor is of opinion that it is not advisable to take proceedings in the case, as the buildings have been erected on old foundations, and the way in question does not seem an important one. Your Committee, concurring in that view, recommend—

That no action be taken by the Board in the matter, and that Mr. Hoole be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. C. Bentley, on behalf of Mr. E. Robinson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads, and the widening of an existing road, on an Estate situated to the South-East of Highbury-place, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 89). Your Committee are of opinion that as the application may affect the open space of Highbury-fields, which is under the control of the Board, the matter should be referred to the Parks, &c., Committee, for consideration, in order that the locality may be viewed jointly by the two Committees; and they recommend accordingly.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 90), referred to your Committee the joint application of Mr. A. Salter, Mr. H. W. Salter, and Mr. T. Nash, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of streets to lead out of High-street, Plumstead. The proposed new roads out of High-street will form a junction with another new road extending around the Estate, and forming a communication with Garibaldi-road to the East. The communication required by the Amendment Act appears to be afforded, and the gradients are satisfactory. Your Committee, having heard the parties interested, recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the roads, and that the names "Reidhaven-road," and "Gavin-street," be approved for the same.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. C. Dickinson, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a street between High-street and East India-road, Poplar, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 91). There exist at present two narrow courts between the backs of the houses in High-street and East India-road. The applicant proposes to form a road 40 feet wide in place of those narrow passages, but the approaches are intended to be left as at present, considerably less than 17 feet, the outlet into East India-road being only 4 feet wide. Your Committee consider the proposal objectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. H. H. Collins, on behalf of Mr. Willett, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wooden porch on a portion of the forecourt of Eaton House, Eaton-avenue, at the corner of Strathray-gardens, Hampstead, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 99). The porch is of woodwork, on a brick plinth, roofed with lead. The house is detached, and is situated at a distance of 20 feet from the road. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the whole of the work be to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. J. and J. S. Edmeston, on behalf of the London and South-Western Bank, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an additional height to an addition approved by the Board on the 31st October, 1884 (No. 3), on a portion of the forecourts of Nos. 90 and 92, Bow-road, Bromley, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 77). The Board, in October, 1884, sanctioned an extension of the houses over the forecourts, it being then intended to erect the additions to a height of 27 feet. The intention was not carried out, and the applicants now desire to proceed, and to erect the addition to a height of 45 feet. The Poplar District Board approve, and your Committee recommend—

That the application, be granted, upon condition that the additional portion be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 19th instant, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Edmondson and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourt of Pond House, in High-road, Clapton, and to the erection of buildings upon the land adjoining in the High-road, and also for the erection of four shops on the Eastern side of Clarence-road, Clapton, to the lines shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 5th ultimo (No. 55). The applicants have submitted an amended Plan showing the shops set back, and the ground in front given up to the public way. The Hackney District Board approved of the original proposal, and your Committee think the present Plan more satisfactory. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 19th instant, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground shown by Blue colour on the amended Plan, be given up and added to the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and with the amended Plan submitted by the applicant and signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. S. Clayton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-hall upon vacant land on the East side of Hatcham-road, Old Kent-road, Greenwich, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 73). The proposed Mission-hall will

have a frontage of about 30 feet, and a depth of 85 feet. It is to be 17 feet in height to the ridge, and the construction will be with a framework of wood and iron, upon a brick and concrete foundation. Your Committee think the proposal objectionable, and recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of the Hon. and Rev. E. Carr-Glyn, for approval by the Board of the erection of a permanent Church in Palace-gardens-terrace, Kensington, and the abandonment of the formation of the continuation of Palace-gardens-terrace, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 77). In June, 1877, the Board sanctioned the continuation of Palace-gardens-terrace, and in November, 1878, they granted a slight deviation from the approved Plan, part of the land then being occupied by a temporary iron Church. It is now intended to erect a permanent Church on the site of the temporary building, and the parties interested in the formation of this part of the road have assented to its abandonment. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the Church therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 19th instant, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board, and that the proposed abandonment of a continuation of Palace-gardens-terrace, be sanctioned.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. H. W. Perrers, on behalf of Mr. C. Watkins, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the South side of Lower Richmond-road, Putney, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 79). The amended Plan shows the widening of Lower Richmond-road and Gardner's-lane 20 feet from the centre of the old road, along the frontage of the Estate. Your Committee think the Plan satisfactory, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the road, and that the name "Weiss-road, S.W.," be approved for the same.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. A. Griffith, for the permission of the Board to retain for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected at the rear of No. 93, Coningham-road, Shepherd's-bush, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 85). The building was originally approved in 1871, and the last License granted by the Board expired in October, 1885. The applicant's Lease will terminate at Midsummer next, and he asks for an extension of time until that date. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of three months from the 19th instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from Mr. G. Edwards, on behalf of Major J. Childs, stating that he had commenced, and would continue to lay out a road, to lead out of the North side of Malva-road, South-street, Wandsworth, and asking if the Board intended to institute proceedings with respect thereto, referred by the Board on the 26th June last (No. 77). The Board, on the 8th May, 1885, declined to sanction the formation of the road which is the subject of the Letter. From a recent survey it appears that the road is in course of formation, and that the footpaths are being made up, but that no building operations have yet been commenced. Your Committee recommend—

That the Wandsworth District Board and the District Surveyor be requested to inform this Board whenever any building operations are commenced.

The Board on Friday last (No. 69) referred to your Committee the application of Mr. J. A. Webster, on behalf of Mr. A. C. Hoile, for the consent of the Board to the

erection of three shops at the corner of Shardeloes-road and Brockley-road, Greenwich, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. The applicant proposes to build shops to the line of others recently erected in Brockley-road to the South-East, the corner house being also erected to a line coming within 20 feet of the centre of Shardeloes-road. Brockley-road at this point appears to be of less width than 40 feet, and the entrance to Shardeloes-road is 31 feet 6 inches wide. The Greenwich District Board do not object to the proposal, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 19th instant, and that previously to the commencement of building operations the ground coloured Blue separating the proposed shops from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. R. Wright, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to a workshop at No. 137, Shacklewell-lane, Hackney, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 73). The addition has a frontage of 12 feet 8 inches and projects 8 feet from the external face of the main wall. Your Committee consider the erection objectionable, as not being in accordance with the Building Act, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board on Friday last (No. 82), referred to your Committee the Letter from the Rev. W. Littlewood, requesting further information as to the offer of the Board to return the deposit money in respect of the temporary Church in St. Thomas's-road, Finsbury-park. Fifty pounds were deposited with the Board on the erection of the temporary Church. Your Superintending Architect acting under the Resolution of the Board of the 19th February last (No. 3), addressed a communication to the depositor, informing him that the Board were prepared to return the deposit, upon his accepting the form of License now in use as the License expires in November next, your Committee recommend—

That the existing License be allowed to expire, and that meanwhile no further action be taken in the matter, and that the Rev. W. Littlewood be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. Ogle, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron studio erected in Berkeley-grove, Berkeley-road, Regent's-park, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 84). This is one of the temporary buildings as to which your Superintending Architect reported to the Board that no application had been made for a renewal of the License, the building still being in use. Your Solicitor was instructed to proceed to obtain its removal, and the applicant now desires a renewal of the License for Six months longer. The District Surveyor states that the building is in good condition. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of Six months, from the 19th instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of Friday last (No. 86), referring to them for consideration and report your Superintending Architect's Report with reference to the return of the deposit money in respect of a temporary iron room erected in Eardley-road, Streatham. The License for the building expired in November, 1883, and no application has been made since that date for a renewal. The original depositor is dead, and your Superintending Architect has ascertained that the Rev. G. Streatfield, of Immanuel Vicarage, Streatham-common, is the present Owner, and that the building is to all appearance in use and in a stable condition. Your Committee recommend—

That no further action be taken in the matter.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Rev. E. C. Brace, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church erected in Merton-road, Wandsworth, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 85). The building was first approved in July, 1877, for a period of two years, and an extension has been granted from time to time. The District Surveyor states that the building is in a sound condition. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of Two years from the 19th instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor for Hampstead, relative to the erection of stables with dwelling rooms over the same, at Kingsgate-mews, Quex-road, Kilburn, without the open space at the rear thereof required by the Statute, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 94). Mr. Blashill states that the Owner informed him that when the Plan for the mews was approved in 1878, the Plan for the building now in course of erection was also sanctioned. The Board's approval, however, only related to the width of the street, and not to the arrangement of the building. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Blashill be informed in reply to his Letter that in the opinion of the Board it is his duty to take proceedings against the builder of the stables in question.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Gough and Peach, on behalf of the Rev. J. H. Cardwell, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an addition to a temporary wood and iron Church in Margravine-road, Fulham, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 98). The Board, in December last, sanctioned the temporary Church for a period of two years. It is now proposed to add a Vestry to the Eastern end, of the full width of the Church, and 10 feet in length. The construction appears to be satisfactory. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, and that permission be given for the addition to remain until the 11th December, 1887, the date to which the Church has been sanctioned, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the addition, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 67), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. H. P. Gillard, on behalf of Mr. F. G. Armfield, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a warehouse upon the site of No. 2, Rudford-road, Deptford, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. The applicant proposes to pull down the house, No. 2, with the premises adjoining to the Eastward, and to re-erect thereon a warehouse with the front wall extended to the line of forecourts. The houses in the road have forecourts about 6 feet deep. Your Committee consider the proposal objectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W. R. SELWAY.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 128, Wandsworth-road, Lambeth, had failed to comply with the Order made by Robert John Biron, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Lambeth Police-court, on the 22nd day of December last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such

Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's be instructed, and they are hereby authorised, to take down so much of the brickwork of the Structure, No. 128, Wandsworth-road, Lambeth, as is fractured, bulged or out of the upright.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 2, Western-passage, St. George-in-the-East, had failed to comply with the Order made by Franklin Lushington, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Thames Police-court, on the 19th day of February last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised, to take down the side wall of the Structure No. 2, Western-passage, St. George-in-the-East, to the extent that the same is bulged, ruinous, out of the perpendicular, and otherwise defective.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That a Cheque for £6 6s. be now drawn in favour of Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, being the amount of his charges for attending and giving evidence at the Police-court and in the High Court of Justice in the case of *Perry v. the Board*, relative to certain structures in Hepscott-road, White-post-lane, Hackney.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Working Account.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter Mr. C. Fowler, District Surveyor, as to the erection of Artizans' Dwellings in Chatham-gardens, Nile-street, and the Letter from Messrs. Baylis and Pearce, asking the Board to make an appointment for a conference with the Trustees of the Joint Gift Estates of Cripplegate and St. Luke, upon the present condition of the buildings, be approved; and that no further action be taken with reference to the appeal against the decision of the Magistrate, and that the parties be so informed.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, stating that complaint had been made to them that Mr. W. W. Tanner had erected a structure at No. 81, Meeting-house-lane, without a License from the Board, and asking whether the Board would take proceedings to compel the offender to comply with the Statute be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, as to the erection of posts in Harroway-road and Holman-road, and of two hoardings in Buckton-street be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. A. Williams, as to the alleged irregular erection of a workshop in Allen-street, at the rear of No. 7, Bath-place, High-street, Kensington, be approved, and that the attention of the Vestry be called to the subject in order that they may, if they consider it necessary, take proceedings under the 75th Section of the Act 25 and 26 Vict., cap. 102.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. W. Simmons be informed, in reply to his Letter, requesting that the amount of the Office fees paid by him in respect of two Licenses granted for the use of concrete in the construction of the walls of No. 63, Lincoln's-inn-fields, and of Offices at the rear thereof, might be returned to him, that the Board are unable to comply with his request.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, as to the formation of Amies-street, Latchmere-road, Battersea, of a less width than that approved by this Board on the 9th January, 1880 (No. 7), be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. G. H. and A. Bywaters, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of openings in the party-wall between Nos. 42 and 43, Park-lane, Piccadilly, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken by the Board with reference to the Letter from Mr. B. Fletcher, M.P., District Surveyor, relative to the re-erection, without the consent of the Board, of No. 15, Newington-butts, and that Mr. Fletcher be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Lewisham District Board, as to the erection of the fore-court wall of All Saints' Orphanage, Granville-park, within the prescribed distance from the centre of the road as provided by the Amendment Act, 1878, be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, as to the erection of a structure in front of a shop in West-end-lane, Hampstead, without the consent of the Board, be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken by the Board with reference to the Letter from Mr. E. Hoole, on behalf of Miss Gillies, as to the erection of a building in Church-walk, Hampstead, exceeding the height prescribed by the 85th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, and that Mr. Hoole be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. C. Bentley, on behalf of Mr. E. Robinson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads, and the widening of an existing road, on an Estate situated to the South-East of Highbury-place, be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee for consideration.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the joint application of Mr. A. Salter, Mr. H. W. Salter, and Mr. T. Nash, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of streets to lead out of High-street, Plumstead, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Reidhaven-road," and "Gavin-street," be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. C. Dickinson, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a street between High-street and East India-road, Poplar, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. H. Collins, on behalf of Mr. Willett, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wooden porch on a portion of the forecourt of Eaton House, Eaton-avenue, at the

corner of Strathray-gardens, Hampstead, be granted, upon condition that the whole of the work be to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. J. and J. S. Edmeston, on behalf of the London and South-Western Bank, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an additional height to an addition approved by the Board on the 31st October, 1884 (No. 3), on a portion of the forecourts of Nos. 90 and 92, Bow-road, Bromley, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the additional portion of the building be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Edmondson and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourt of Pond House, in High-road, Clapton, and to the erection of buildings upon the land adjoining in the High-road, and also for the erection of four shops on the Eastern side of Clarence-road, Clapton, to the lines shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings and shops therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground shown by Blue colour on the amended Plan, be given up and added to the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and with the amended Plan submitted by the applicants and signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. S. Clayton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-hall on vacant land on the East side of Hatcham-road, Old Kent-road, Greenwich, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of the Hon. and Rev. E. Carr-Glyn, for approval by the Board of the erection of a permanent Church in Palace-gardens-terrace, Kensington, and the abandonment of the formation of the continuation of Palace-gardens-terrace, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the Church therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board, and that the proposed abandonment of a continuation of Palace-gardens-terrace, be sanctioned.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. W. Perrers, on behalf of Mr. C. Watkins, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the South side of Lower Richmond-road, Putney, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said road, and that the name "Weiss-road, S.W.," be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. Griffith, for the permission of the Board to retain for a further period the temporary wood and iron building erected at the rear of No. 93, Coningham-road, Shepherd's-bush, be granted for a period of Three months from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. G. Edwards, on behalf of Major J. Childs, stating that he had commenced, and would continue, to lay out a road, to lead out of the North side of Malva-road, South-street, Wandsworth, and asking if the Board intended to institute proceedings with respect thereto, be approved, and that the Wandsworth District Board and the District Surveyor be requested to inform this Board whenever any building operations are commenced.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. A. Webster, on behalf of Mr. A. C. Hoile, for the consent of the Board to the erection of three shops at the corner of Shardeloes-road and Brockley-road, Greenwich, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground coloured Blue separating the proposed shops from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. R. Wright, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to a workshop at No. 137, Shacklewell-lane, Hackney, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Rev. W. Littlewood, requesting further information as to the offer of the Board to return the deposit money in respect of the temporary Church in St. Thomas's-road, Finsbury-park, be approved; that the existing License be allowed to expire, and that meanwhile no further action be taken in the matter; and that Mr. Littlewood be informed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. Ogle, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron studio erected in Berkeley-grove, Berkeley-road, Regent's-park, be granted for a period of Six months, from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no further action be taken with reference to the return of the deposit money in respect of a temporary iron room erected in Eardley-road, Streatham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of the Rev. E. C. Brace, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church erected in Merton-road, Wandsworth, be granted for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, as to the erection of stables, with dwelling rooms over the same, in Kingsgate-mews, Quex-road, Kilburn, without the open space at the rear thereof required by the Statute, be approved, and that Mr. Blashill be informed that in the opinion of the Board it is his duty to take proceedings against the builder of the stables.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Gough and Peach, on behalf of the Rev. J. H. Cardwell, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an addition to a temporary wood and iron Church in Margravine-road, Fulham, be granted, and that permission be given for the addition

to remain until the 11th December, 1887, the date to which the Church has been sanctioned, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the addition, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. P. Gillard, on behalf of Mr. F. G. Armfield, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a warehouse upon the site of No. 2, Rudford-road, Deptford, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

11. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 16th March, 1886.

Your Committee have again had under consideration the Horse Guards-avenue Bill against which the Board has presented a Petition. The Petition was mainly directed against the proposal in the Bill that the Board should have power to contribute towards the cost of the formation of a new thoroughfare, and also against the interference with part of the Embankment-gardens, which the carrying out of the work would involve. The undertaking itself, apart from these objections, the Board has no wish to oppose. Your Committee have now been informed that the Promoters are willing to strike out from the Bill the words providing that the Board may contribute towards the cost of the work, and they are also willing to convey to the Board another piece of ground in exchange for any portion of the Embankment-gardens which may be taken for the purpose of the undertaking. Your Committee recommend—

That, on the Promoters giving an undertaking to the above effect, the Board's Petition against the Bill be withdrawn.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
GEO. EDWARDS,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the consideration of the Report be deferred until the next Meeting of the Board.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th March, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following District Board and Vestry—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
LIMEHOUSE.				
Red Lion-street, Wapping ...	312	12"	pipe	Recommended as applied for
CAMBERWELL.				
Lyndhurst-grove, Peckham ...	662	12"	pipe	Recommended as applied for.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the said District Board and Vestry be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th March, 1886, submitting, in compliance with the Standing Order of the Board of the 17th April, 1868 (No. 14), Reports with reference to the present condition of the works of the several Bridges in course of construction by the London and South-Western, the London, Tilbury and Southend, and the Great Northern Railway Companies respectively.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Reports be received.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th March, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal were required—

<i>Abbey Mills Pumping Station.</i>					ESTIMATE.
1,000 tons of Welsh Coal ...	...	...	...	...	£816 13 4
1,000 tons of Tanfield Moor Coal ...	...	...	...	...	654 3 4
Total	...	...	...	...	<u>£1,470 16 8</u>

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal be obtained accordingly; the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th March, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contracts—

<i>Crossness Pumping Station.</i>				ESTIMATE.
Restoring the stone floor of the Engine-house, after fixing the new sewage troughs, and refixing the Engine ...	...	...	...	£260 0 0
Repairing the stone floor of the boiler-house ...	...	...	...	100 0 0

Albert Embankment.

Repairing Stiff's dock-gates and machinery, and the piles and mooring-irons in front thereof ...	...	...	...	35 0 0
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Finchley-road Sewer.

Laying 18-inch pipes under and in connection with the District Railway, for the purpose of improving the ventilation of the Board's Sewer at three different points ...	...	...	...	150 0 0
Total	...	...	...	<u>£545 0 0</u>

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly; the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th March, 1886, submitting a Medical Certificate, stating that Mr. W. Groves, Surveyor, was unable to attend to his duties in consequence of illness.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a fortnight's leave of absence be granted to Mr. Groves, and that the Engineer do report again at the expiration of that period.

17. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill, 1886, was still awaiting appointment to a Select Committee of the House of Commons, and that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been adjourned until the 6th April.

18. The Solicitor read a Report, as follows—

19th March, 1886.

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (THEATRES, &C.) BILL.

I have to report that this Bill came on for discussion in the House of Commons last Wednesday, and Mr. Rider Cook, the Member for West Ham (North), moved the second reading

in a speech of about thirty-five minutes, when a quarter to six having arrived, the Speaker, in accordance with Standing Orders, directed the debate to be adjourned before Mr. Rider Cook had been able to conclude his remarks. I annex a print of Mr. Rider Cook's speech, as reported in the *Times*.

The debate now stands adjourned to next Thursday, the 25th instant.

(Signed) R. WARD,
Solicitor.

19. The Solicitor reported with respect to the two Bills for amending the Employers' Liability Act, 1880, that the Select Committee consisted of sixteen Members, and that the House had made the usual orders with respect to the powers and quorum of the Committee.
20. The Solicitor reported that the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill had been appointed to be considered by a Committee of the whole House on the 22nd instant.
21. The Solicitor reported that the Rivers Purification Bill had been rejected on second reading in the House of Commons, and that it would therefore not be further proceeded with this Session.
22. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee on the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill had not yet been nominated by the House of Commons, and that the Chairman had, since the last meeting of the Board affixed the Seal to the Board's Petition with respect to the Bill.
23. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill, in the House of Lords had been fixed for the 26th instant.
24. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Smoke Nuisance Abatement (Metropolis) Bill in the House of Lords had not yet been fixed.
25. The Solicitor reported that the Bexley-heath Railway Bill had been considered by a Select Committee in the House of Lords, presided over by Lord Balfour of Burley, and that the Committee had met on the 12th and 15th instant, and that after hearing Counsel and witnesses, the Committee had intimated that they were not prepared to proceed with the Bill so far as it proposed to authorise the new Railway.
26. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.
It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.
27. The Solicitor reported that Lord Ashford had given notice of a Bill for amending the Electric Lighting Act, 1882; and that Mr. McLaren had given notice of a Bill for amending the law of compensation for land acquired by compulsory purchase.
28. The Solicitor reported that the arrangements as to the undermentioned Loans had been completed, and that the Cheques had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities—

					AMOUNT OF LOAN.
Charlton Burial Board ...	...	...	...	...	£4,150
Central London School District ...	...	...	...	...	7,700

29. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Contract with Messrs. H. Cattermole and Sons, for draining, regulating, &c., Highbury-fields.

Contract with Messrs. J. Cheal and Sons, for supplying and planting 250 trees on Highbury-fields.

Contract with Messrs. J. Williams, Son and Wallington, for the construction of a Weir and connecting Sewer in Bayswater-road (Ranelagh and King's Scholars' Pond Sewers Storm Relief Sewers).

Agreement, in triplicate, between Mr. W. F. Watson, The River Thame Steamboat Company, Limited, and the Board, for the apportionment of rent in respect of land on the West side of Battersea-bridge-road (New Battersea Bridge).

Notice, in duplicate, as to the structural defects in the Loyal United Friends' Hall in Banner-street, St. Luke's, prepared in accordance with the Resolution of the Board, of the 19th ultimo (No. 3).

Conveyance by Mrs. C. S. Williams, of No. 39, Green-bank, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Tench-street Artizans' Dwellings Act Scheme.)

Deed of enfranchisement to the Board by Sir T. E. Colebrooke, Bart., in respect of copyhold property known as Nos. 1 to 10, Inkhorn-court and Nos. 14 to 16, Castle-alley, Whitechapel, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Goulston-street Artizans' Dwellings Act Scheme).

Appointment of Mr. Vulliamy, as Valuer in the matter of a claim by Mr. H. Robinson and others (*re* Hope, deceased), in respect of No. 6, Bermondsey-new-road (Bermondsey Improvement).

Conveyance to Mr. A. Gabriel, of commercial land in Middlesex-street, Whitechapel, and known as Lots Nos. 1 to 16 (Goulston-street Artizans' Dwellings Act Scheme).

Agreement between the Trustees of the Islington Parish Schools and the Board, for the sale and purchase of No. 79, Cross-street, and Nos. 289 and 290, Upper-street, Islington, and appointment of Mr. Vulliamy as Valuer in the matter of the claim in respect of the same (Upper-street, Islington, Improvement).

Agreement, in triplicate, between Mrs. E. A. Hampshire, and her Mortgagees, and the Trustees of Mr. J. Gillett, and the Board, for apportionment of the rent in respect of Nos. 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21 and 23, Church-gardens (Tench-street Artizans' Dwelling Act Scheme.)

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

30. The Solicitor reported that the Deed of Conveyance by the Board to Mr. Wilson, of Plots Nos. 5 and 6, in Kentish-town-road, had not been received, and he suggested that the Board should authorise the Chairman to affix the Seal to the said Deed of Conveyance when received.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested, and he is hereby authorised, to affix the Common Seal of the Board to the said Deed of Conveyance when received.

31. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £1,700 to the St. Luke's Vestry, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of St. Luke, Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first-mentioned Act within the said Parish, of a sum of One thousand seven hundred pounds, required

by the Vestry, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry, in executing certain pipe Sewerage works under the footways of both sides of Old-street, between Goswell-street-road and Whitecross-street, and under the footway on the South side of Old-street, between Rayley-street and Martha's-buildings, all in the said Parish. And whereas, the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of One thousand seven hundred pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is **ordered** that the sanction, in writing, of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing, by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of One thousand seven hundred pounds, for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Thirty years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That a Cheque for the sum of £1,700 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of St. Luke; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

32. The Solicitor read a Report, as follows—

19th March, 1886.

LONDON STREET TRAMWAYS EXTENSIONS BILL.

With reference to the London Street Tramways, the Examiner has appointed Monday next for taking the proofs on Standing Orders, and it is not likely that any further adjournment will be accorded. If, therefore, the consent of the Board is not handed in by the Board's Agents on Monday morning (the proper undertaking having been given by the Promoters) the Bill may practically be lost; and for this reason I have to ask the Board to allow me to read this Report as a matter of urgency, inasmuch as I am not certain of the true interpretation of the Resolution passed by the Board on the 12th February, 1886, which was as set out in the annexed Board Minute.

My doubt upon this point is best explained in a communication, which Messrs. Ashurst Morris, and Co. addressed to the Clerk of yesterday's date, which is supplemental to the letter "1" on the Agenda to-day, and which I will read.

6, Old Jewry, London, E.C.,

18th March, 1886.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.

LONDON STREET TRAMWAYS (EXTENSIONS) BILL.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to our letter to you of yesterday's date, the promoters will agree to give the 9 feet 6 inches space between the rail and the kerb throughout the length of Tramways Nos. 5b, 5c, 5d, and 5e (Junction-road doublings), and also throughout the length of Tramway No. 3 (Chalk-farm-road line), except upon the Chalk-farm-road Bridge.

We beg, therefore to make the following proposal, which we shall be glad if you will submit as an addendum to our letter of yesterday's date. We propose that the following clauses shall be inserted in the Bill in relation to the above Tramways, in lieu of those which have been submitted to us, viz.—

"Tramway No. 3 shall not be constructed until the roadway along which it will be laid
 "shall have been widened by the Company so that a less space than 9 feet 6 inches
 "shall not intervene between the outside of the footpath and the nearest rail of
 "the Tramway on either side of the said road, throughout its entire length, except
 "upon the Chalk-farm-road Bridge, which the promoters shall not be required
 "to widen."

"Tramways Nos. 5b, 5c, 5d and 5e, shall not be constructed until the roadways along
 "which they will be laid shall have been widened by the Company, so that
 "throughout the entire length of the said roadways a less space than 9 feet and
 "6 inches shall not intervene between the outside of the footpath and the nearest
 "rail of the Tramway on either side of the road."

19 March, 1886.

The matter in difference is, therefore, narrowed down to the simple question of whether it was intended by the Board that the promoters should be compelled to widen the Chalk-farm-road Bridge as a condition of the Board's assent.

We submit most confidently that there was no such intention, and we urge that your Board should not require the Bridge to be widened for the following reasons—

- 1.—The Vestry unanimously assenting to the line have not required the Bridge to be widened.
- 2.—The Committee of the House of Commons before whom the Bill came last year, were satisfied that a Tramway could safely be laid across the Bridge in its present condition.
- 3.—That your Board in 1884, and again in 1885, consented to the Tramway being so laid.
- 4.—The peculiar construction of the Bridge is such that no inconvenience can arise by a Tramway being laid along it.

We trust your Board will be able to accept the Clauses which have been proposed above, as if the Board insists upon the Clauses which have been submitted, the promoters will have no alternative but to withdraw these lines from the Bill.

We are, dear Sir,

Yours truly,

ASHURST, MORRIS, CRISP & Co.

With reference to the widening of the roads, I apprehend the undertaking to widen them so as to leave 9 feet 6 inches on each side of the outer Tramway rail, meets the requirement of the Board's Resolution, and is in fact in accordance with the statutory limit, but the question remains whether the Tramway is to be constructed before the Canal Bridge in the Chalk Farm-road is widened. If this is insisted upon it is practically withholding the Board's consent to the Tramway, as the Company has no statutory powers to deal with the Bridge.

As I have said, I think, as to the Tramway No. 3, Chalk-farm-road line, and the Tramways in the Junction-road, a communication in the terms of Messrs. Ashurst and Co.'s Letter, is a compliance with the Board's requirements, and the practical question therefore is whether I am to consider that the Board in referring to the widening of the roadway, to the satisfaction of the Board and the Vestry of St. Pancras, required such widening to apply to the Canal Bridge as well as to the remainder of the road.

(Signed)

R. WARD,

Solicitor.

The Clerk laid before the Board the following Letters—

Letter from Messrs. Ashurst, Morris, Crisp and Co., on behalf of the Promoters of the Bill, dated 17th March, 1886, asking that the conditions of the Board's consent relating to the widening of Chalk Farm-road and Junction-road, before the Tramways in those roads were laid, might be limited so as to apply only to the portions of the roads, the widening of which was shown on the Company's deposited Plans.

Further Letter from Messrs. Ashurst and Co., dated 18th March, 1886, suggesting, with reference to their previous Letter, that certain Clauses (included in their Letter) should be inserted in the Bill, in lieu of those submitted to them on behalf of the Board, and urging, for certain reasons, that the Board should not require the Bridge in the Chalk Farm-road to be widened.

Letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, M.P., Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 18th March, 1886, referring to the subject of the widening of the Bridge in Chalk Farm-road, and stating that the Vestry did not consider that any alteration would be necessary to the Bridge.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Edwards—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Wetenhall, and seconded by Mr. Bradfield—That the following Clauses be inserted in the London Street Tramways (Extensions) Bill, in lieu of those submitted to the Promoters on behalf of the Board.

Tramway No. 3 shall not be constructed until the road-way along which it will be laid shall have been widened by the Company so that a less space than 9 feet 6 inches shall not intervene between the outside of the footpath and the nearest rail of the Tramway on either side of the said road, throughout its entire length, except upon the Chalk-farm-road Bridge, which the promoters shall not be required to widen.

Tramways Nos. 5b, 5c, 5d and 5e, shall not be constructed until the roadways along which they will be laid shall have been widened by the Company, so that throughout the entire length of the said road-ways a less space than 9 feet and 6 inches shall not intervene between the outside of the footpath and the nearest rail of the Tramway on either side of the road.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an original motion it was also carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

33. The Solicitor suggested that the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, which was presented by the Engineer on the 5th instant (No. 18), submitting for approval a Plan of a proposed Sewer in an intended new road to lead out of High-street, Clapham, and which was referred to him (the Solicitor) to advise whether or not this Board should approve of the Plan of the Sewer, should be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

34. The Solicitor read a Report, as follows—

19th March, 1885.

NEW PUTNEY BRIDGE.—*Re* W. S. HAMMOND.

No. 10, The Terrace, Putney.

Possession of this property is urgently required by the Engineer, and I have arranged with the Vendor to complete and give possession to-morrow morning. Will the Board please direct that Cheques be drawn for the purchase-money £475, in favour of Mr. W. S. Hammond, and for the Surveyors fee £13 13s., in favour of Mr. R. Ritchie, to enable me to complete the matter.

I present the usual request.

(Signed) R. WARD,
Solicitor.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Cheques be drawn for the sums of £475 and £13 13s., as recommended therein; and Cheques were drawn on the Bridges (Act of 1881) Account accordingly.

35. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 12th instant (No. 9), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Naval-row	...	...	...	...	...	Poplar.
Preston's-road, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	do.
Wells-road, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	Lewisham.
William-street, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	Lambeth.
Scholefield-road, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	Islington.
No. 16A, Baker-street	...	...	...	...	...	Marylebone.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the

Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

36. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 9th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration the question of issuing the Precepts for the sums which will be required by the Board from Parishes, Districts, &c., for the year 1886. The principal Officers have prepared Estimates of the amounts which will probably be required in their several Departments, which your Committee have duly examined. Your Committee have had before them, in connection with this subject, the Estimates approved by the Parks, &c., Committee of the probable expenses during the year 1886 in connection with the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces under the management of the Board, and also the Estimates, approved by the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee and the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act Executive Committee, of expenses in connection with the testing of Gas and Gas-meters, and the Petroleum, Slaughterhouses, Explosives, and Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts. They have also had before them the Estimate, approved by the Fire Brigade Committee, for the expenses of the Brigade for the present year. Your Committee have not thought it necessary to investigate the details of those Estimates, as they have undergone full consideration by the Committees who have charge of the matters to which they refer. Your Accountant has also prepared a Statement of the Estimates for the year 1886 as compared with the Estimates for the year 1885, and the expenditure for the years 1885 and 1884 ; also a Statement of the sums required for the Principal and Interest of, and the Sinking Fund for, re-payment of the Loans granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, and an Estimate, for the year 1886, of the Consolidated Loans Fund, together with the detailed Estimates from the several Departments ; copies of which Statement and Estimates have been circulated amongst the Members of the Board. Your Committee have also had submitted to them a Statement showing the annual value of the property in the City of London, and other parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, based upon the Valuation (Metropolis) Act, 1869 ; the County Rate Bases for the respective Counties of Middlesex, Surrey, and Kent ; the City Police Rate, and also the Ratable Annual value of the property assessable to the General District Rate of the Hornsey Local Board, under the provisions of the Acts 34 and 35 Vic., cap. 129, and 35 and 36 Vic., cap. 163, and of the South Hornsey Local Board, under the provisions of the Act 37 and 38 Vic., cap. 97, and of the Ratable Annual value of property within the Beckenham Sewerage Area, assessable to the Rate for the relief of the Poor, as provided by the Act 36 and 37 Vic., cap. 218. Your Committee now submit the Estimates of the sums required to be raised, and the Statement showing the gross and Ratable Annual value of Property in the Metropolis, and they recommend that the same be approved ; that your Accountant be instructed to apportion the same amongst the several Parishes and parts liable thereto, according to the Valuation List, prepared under the Valuation of Property Act, and according to the County Rates and other Rentals which will come into force on the 6th April next, and that Precepts in accordance therewith be prepared, and be made payable in moieties on or before the 1st July and 1st December, 1886, and that the Estimates for the Consolidated Loans Fund, the Dwelling House Improvement Fund, and Bridge expenses be submitted to the Treasury, for sanction in respect of the charges for debt. It is proposed, as was done last year, to deduct from the total amount to be raised the sum which it is estimated will be received in respect of the Government contribution from those Parishes which have not included the Government property in their Valuation lists, as this contribution will be afterwards obtained from the Parishes by which it is rightly payable.

Your Committee also beg to submit, with the Estimates, a list of the contributions

to be made by Insurance Companies towards the expense of maintaining the Fire Brigade for the year 1886.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
JOHN TOLHURST,
P. W. FUNNELL,
CHA^s. HARRIS.

The Report having been read and received,

The Estimates, Statements, &c., referred to in the Report of the Committee, were laid before the Board, as follows—

TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE of the

ESTIMATED INCOME.							£ s. d.		Pages from which the sums are brought forward.
COAL AND WINE DUTIES	...	...	...	...	...	...	300,000	- -	7
GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTION to the expenses of the FIRE BRIGADE. This is the amount settled by Act of Parliament	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,000	- -	38
INSURANCE OFFICE CONTRIBUTIONS to the expenses of the FIRE BRIGADE at the rate of £35 per Million of the gross amount of Insurances in the Metropolis	...	...	...	...	...	...	26,039	- -	38
INTEREST RECEIVABLE—									
From Cash balances	...	...	...	...	...	£10,000	- -		
From the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylums District, the School Board for London, Vestries and District Boards, and others	...	...	...	...	...	250,000	- -		
From Kew and other Bridges Joint Committee	...	...	...	...	...	2,148	10 3		7
On other claims	...	...	...	...	...	897	16 5		
From Hornsey, South Hornsey, and Beckenham—Interest and Sinking fund of Main drainage debt	...	...	...	...	...	2,715	10 6		
							265,761	17 2	
CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS MAINTENANCE OF BRIDGES—									
Counties of Middlesex and Surrey	...	...	...	...	...	£2,400	- -		
South Eastern Railway Co.	...	...	...	...	...	675	- -		28
							3,075	- -	
RENTS RECEIVABLE—									
Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	...	...	...	£100,000	- -		7
Bridges	...	...	...	...	...	1,155	- -		28
							101,15	5 - -	
FEES AND RETURNS RECEIVABLE under Acts of Parliament, &c.—									
On Gas testing	...	...	...	...	...	£260	- -		
„ Gas-meter testing	...	...	...	...	...	3,060	- -		
„ Inspection of Subways	...	...	...	...	...	62	- -		
„ Petroleum licenses	...	...	...	...	...	470	- -		
„ Slaughterhouses and Explosives...	...	...	...	...	...	160	- -		3
„ Sale of Carcases under Contagious diseases (animals) act	...	...	...	...	...	970	- -		
„ Dangerous Structures (including expenses of Hoardings, &c., repaid)	...	...	...	...	...	3,700	- -		
„ Fees under the Building Act, Sale of plans, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	500	- -		35
AMOUNTS RECEIVABLE for services of the FIRE BRIGADE in watching premises; also in attending fires outside the boundary of the Metropolis, and chimney fires penalties									
	...	...	...	...	...	2,561	- -		
							11,743	- -	38
Amount to be raised from Parishes by the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate in 1886									
	...	...	...	...	...	...	882,327	18 6	4
TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME OF 1886...							1,600,101	15 8	
SURPLUS ON THE BRIDGES MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1884									
	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,595	- -	28
BALANCE OF CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND—(Interest and Sinking fund account) brought into account of the Year, 1886									
	...	...	...	...	...	...	78,579	11 5	7
AMOUNT NOT RAISED for working expenses of the Fire Brigade, owing to limitation in Act of Parliament									
	...	...	...	...	...	...	27,783	15 2	38
							£1,715,060	2 3	

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ear 1886, on the **WORKING ACCOUNTS OF THE BOARD.**

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE						Pages from which the sums are brought forward.								
						£	s. d.	£	s. d.					
INTEREST ON MONEY BORROWED—														
1. Dividends on Metropolitan Consolidated Stock						885,951	-	-		7				
2. Interest on Miscellaneous loans raised prior to the Loans Act of 1869						12,466	10	-		6				
						898,417 10 -								
DRAWBACKS AND EXPENSES of collection of Rents... ..								15,000	-	7				
BANK MANAGEMENT of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock								10,200	-	28				
BRIDGE EXPENSES £120,828 (£111,141 included in charge for debt)								9,687	-	28				
DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS £72,090 (included in charge for debt)								-	-	33				
MAINTENANCE, &c.—														
Sewerage and drainage works and Pumping stations						81,175	-	-		} 29, 30				
Deodorizing sewers and at outlets						45,500	-	-						
Thames Embankments						10,900	-	-						
Parks, Commons, and Open spaces						20,935	-	-		31, 32				
						158,510 - -								
FIRE BRIGADE working expenses								122,427	-	38				
EXPENSES under special Acts of Parliament—														
Gas testing						2,100	-	-		} 34				
Gas-meter testing						2,650	-	-						
Inspection of Subways						92	-	-						
Petroleum						650	-	-						
Slaughterhouses and Explosive substances }						1,330	-	-						
Infant life protection						200	-	-						
Contagious diseases (Animals)						3,850	-	-						
Theatres and Music Halls						1,300	-	-						
Dangerous structures						5,500	-	-						
						17,672 - -								
ESTABLISHMENT, Law and Parliamentary charges, printing, &c. (exclusive of amount charged to Capital accounts)								41,235	-	35				
COMPENSATION and Retiring allowances								1,440	-	37				
						1,274,588 10 -								
DEFICIENCIES—														
On General working account in respect of the year 1884								39,596	14 4	37				
On Fire Brigade working account in respect of former years								21,303	-	38				
AMOUNT APPLICABLE TO THE REDEMPTION OF CAPITAL— (being the following proportions of the net debt of the Board—viz. one forty-fourth part of debt terminable in 1929, and one fifty-fifth part of debt terminable in 1941, a special sum being included for Fire Brigade Loans redeemable in periods varying from 3 to 30 years)												379,571	17 11	7
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE OF 1886								£1,715,060	2 3					

ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1886, COMPARED WITH ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1885.

HEADS OF SERVICE, &c.	For details see pages.	1886.				1885.				1884.						
		Estimate.				Estimate.		Expenditure. (approximate.)		Expenditure.						
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			
INTEREST ON LOANS RAISED BEFORE PASSING OF ACT 32 AND 32 VICT., C. 102 (METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS LOANS)—																
General	6	...			12,466	10	—	13,615	10	—	13,615	10	—	14,764	10	—
Main Drainage	6	...			...			...			...			581		
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND—		7 to 26														
Dividends on Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, &c.	7	900,951	—	—												
Redemption of Capital	7	379,571	17	11												
		1,280,522 17 11														
Less Credit	7	927,522	17	11	353,000	—	—	390,284	—	—	390,284	—	—	339,362	—	—
MANAGEMENT OF METROPOLITAN CONSOLIDATED STOCK	28	...			10,200	—	—	9,560	—	—	9,309	11	—	8,810	1	6
VARIOUS SERVICES—																
Bridge expenses	28	...			108,003	—	—	103,543	—	—	102,028	—	—	99,041	—	—
Dwelling House Improvement Fund ...	33	...			72,040	9	4	71,550	—	—	71,550	—	—	68,246	—	—
Sewerage and drainage works, &c. ...	29, 30	29,315	—	—	...			29,245	—	—	26,047	—	—	26,755	—	—
Working expenses of Pumping-stations...	29, 30	51,860	—	—	...			49,510	—	—	42,904	—	—	46,562	—	—
Deodorizing	29, 30	45,500	—	—	...			53,700	—	—	42,000	—	—	42,315	—	—
Thames Embankments— Maintaining, lighting, &c.	29, 30	10,900	—	—	...			11,702	—	—	11,036	—	—	11,072	—	—
New roads, &c.— Maintaining	29, 30	...			...			2,000	—	—	1,400	—	—	262	—	—
Parks, commons, and open spaces— Maintenance	31, 32	20,935	—	—	...			21,185	—	—	22,423	—	—	21,476	—	—
Gas-testing	34	2,100	—	—	...			1,750	—	—	1,897	—	—	1,849	—	—
Gas-meter-testing	34	2,650	—	—	...			2,500	—	—	2,879	—	—	2,627	—	—
Inspection of subways	34	92	—	—	...			92	—	—	91	—	—	89	—	—
Petroleum licenses and testing	34	650	—	—	...			650	—	—	652	—	—	...	—	—
Slaughterhouses Act, 1874	34	1,330	—	—	...			1,300	—	—	1,329	—	—	1,209	—	—
Explosive Substances Acts																
Infant Life Protection Act	34	200	—	—	...			175	—	—	200	—	—	177	—	—
Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act ...	34	3,850	—	—	...			3,460	—	—	4,253	—	—	3,690	—	—
Theatres and Music-halls	34	1,300	—	—	...			1,200	—	—	1,275	—	—	1,300	—	—
Dangerous structures	34	5,500	—	—	...			6,150	—	—	5,384	—	—	6,391	—	—
Carried forward		176,182	—	—	555,709	19	4	773,171	10	—	750,557	1	—	696,579	3	0

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AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEARS 1885 AND 1884.

HEADS OF SERVICE, &c.	For details see pages.	1886.				1885.				1884.			
		Estimate.				Estimate.		Expenditure. (approximate.)		Expenditure.			
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Brought forward	...	176,182	- -	555,709	19 4	773,171	10 -	750,557	1 -	696,579	13 6		
GENERAL PURPOSES—													
Salaries, wages, &c., £54,880 (less proportion chargeable to special accounts)	35	27,375	- -	...		25,800	- -	27,080	- -	26,159	- -		
Ordinary Law and Parliamentary charges £9,000 (less proportion chargeable to special accounts) ...	35	5,670	- -	...		6,500	- -	7,310	- -	13,217	- -		
Printing, stationery, lithography, mathematical instruments, maps, &c., £7,000 (less proportion chargeable to special accounts)	35	4,410	- -	...		4,615	- -	4,246	- -	4,237	- -		
Rent, taxes, office repairs, and alterations, postage and petty incidentals, £6,000 (less proportion chargeable to special accounts)	35	3,780	- -	...		3,595	- -	3,714	- -	4,168	- -		
Compensation and retiring allowances of late officers.....	37	1,440	- -	...		1,465	- -	1,475	- -	1,395	- -		
DEFICIENCY IN RESPECT OF 1884 AND 1883	37	...		218,857 39,596 14 4		11,707 16 10		11,707 16 10		...			
FIRE BRIGADE—													
Working expenses of the brigade ...	38	...		77,346 4 10		73,177 14 8		94,481 4 5		75,680	- 4		
TOTAL CHARGE	...	...		891,509 18 6		900,032 1 6		900,571 2 6		821,435 13 10			
LESS RECEIPTS—													
Surplus in respect of 1882	...	...		...		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.			
Gas Companies, part expenses in testing gas, returned	34	260	- -	...		250	- -	261	- -	253	- -		
Fees for testing gas-meters	34	3,060	- -	...		2,900	- -	3,000	- -	3,065	- -		
Gas Companies, for inspecting subways	34	62	- -	...		47	- -	62	- -	56	- -		
Petroleum licenses... ..	34	470	- -	...		500	- -	468	- -	478	- -		
Fees for registration, Slaughterhouses, and explosives	34	160	- -	...		150	- -	160	- -	159	- -		
Sale of carcases under Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	34	970	- -	...		1,000	- -	970	- -	836	- -		
Dangerous structures, expenses recovered	34	3,700	- -	...		4,800	- -	3,680	- -	5,186	- -		
Building Act fees, sale of plans, &c. ...	35	500	- -	...		500	- -	500	- -	500	- -		
				9,182 - -		10,047 - -		9,101 - -		10,774 6 8			
TOTAL NET CHARGE	...	£		882,327 18 6		889,985 1 6		891,470 2 6		810,661 7 2			

After deducting from the Total net charge the amount receivable from Parishes in respect of Government contribution on property not included in the valuation List, the balance will be equivalent to a rate of 6·89d. in the £, on the estimated rateable value in April, 1886.

The total net charge for 1885 was equivalent to a rate of 7·34d. in the £, on the rateable value of the Metropolis for that year.

The close of the collegiate Church of St Peter, Westminster, Inner Temple, Middle Temple, Lincoln's Inn, Staple Inn, and Furnival's Inn are exempt from charges for interest on money raised for Street Improvements, Parks, Commons, and Bridges; also from Charges for Maintenance of the Embankments, the Parks, Commons and Bridges, and of Inspection of Highways, Gas-testing, Gas-meter testing, Petroleum licensing and testing, Dangerous structures, Slaughterhouses, Explosives, charges under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, and General purposes, including Establishment charges.

***Heads of Increase and Decrease in 1886,
as compared with 1885.***

INCREASE.				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Management of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock				640	—	—			
Bridge expenses ...	...	...	...	4,460	—	—			
Dwelling House Improvement Fund			...	490	—	—			
Sewerage works and Pumping stations			...	2,420	—	—			
Gas testing ...	...	...	...	340	—	—			
Petroleum licensing and testing			...	30	—	—			
Slaughterhouses and explosive substances			...	20	—	—			
Infant life protection		...	...	25	—	—			
Contagious diseases (animals) act			...	420	—	—			
Theatres and Music Halls			...	100	—	—			
Dangerous structures		...	...	450	—	—			
Establishment charges, law and parliamentary expenses, and retiring allowances			...	700	—	—			
Fire Brigade working expenses			...	4,169	—	—			
							14,261	—	—
DECREASE.									
Interest on Loans raised prior to 1869			...	1,149	—	—			
Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	...	37,284	—	—			
Deodorizing sewers and at outfalls			...	8,200	—	—			
Thames Embankments		...	...	802	—	—			
New roads, maintenance		...	...	2,000	—	—			
Parks and open spaces, maintenance			...	250	—	—			
Gas meter-testing		...	...	110	—	—			
Subways	...	...	...	15	—	—			
							49,810	—	—
Balance decrease			...				£35,546	—	—
Difference between deficiency of the years 1884 and 1883							27,889	—	—
Decrease of charge in 1886 from that of 1885			...				£7,657	—	—

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INTEREST ON LOANS RAISED BEFORE PASSING OF THE ACT 32 AND 33 VICT., CAP. 102.

The Board can now only borrow Money by the issue of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, except for Temporary periods, not exceeding six months.

LOANS OUTSTANDING 1ST JANUARY, 1886.	1886. Estimate of Amounts required for Interest.		1885.		1884.	
	Estimate.	Expenditure.	Estimate.	Expenditure.	Estimate.	Expenditure.
GENERAL—	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Interest on Loan from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society, at 4½ per Cent. for Finsbury Park £50,000 - -						
Paid off 35,000 - -						
15,000 - -						
(Borrowed in 1864, and terminable in 1894.)						
Interest on Loan from Bank of England at 4½ per Cent.—						
For Holborn Improve- ment £61,000 - -						
„ Southwark Park ... 80,000 - -						
„ Whitechapel Im- provement ... 175,000 - -						
„ Main Sewers ... 300,000 - -						
616,000 - -						
Paid off (including £3,333 6s. 8d. already provided, for the in- stalment due 1st January, 1886) 391,466 13 4						
224,533 6 8						
(Borrowed in, or prior to, 1867, and terminable from 1896 to 1898.)						
Interest on Loan from Economic Assurance Society, at 4½ per Cent., for Main Sewers ... £100,000 - -						
Paid off 56,666 13 4						
43,333 6 8						
(Borrowed in 1868, and terminable in 1898.)						

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THE CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND OF THE METROPOLIS.

(Established by Act 32 and 33 Vict., c. 102, s. 26, for the purpose of paying the dividends on, and of redeeming all Metropolitan Consolidated Stock in sixty years from the date of its creation).

DIVIDENDS AND SINKING FUND.

	1886.		1885.		1884.	
	Estimate.		Estimate.	Expenditure and Receipts (partly estimated).	Expenditure and Receipts (actual).	
AMOUNTS PAYABLE—	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Dividends for one year on Metropolitan Consolidated Stock already created, viz.—						
£16,984,326 at 3½ per cent. ...	594,451	- -	594,451	- -	594,428	17 7
£9,000,000 at 3 per cent. ...	270,000	- -	251,250	- -	226,571	16 1
Ditto, for portion of a year, in respect of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock to be created during the year ...	20,000	- -				
Discount on prompt payment of the same	1,500	- -	1,500	- -	2,574	2 7
Interest on Temporary Loan ...	—		—		969	6 3
	885,951	- -	847,201	- -	824,544	2 6
Interest on Thames Embankment Loan...	...		- -		- -	
Rents—Drawbacks and costs of collection, including advertisements in connection with the letting of land ...	15,000	- -	10,000	- -	13,119	5 1
	900,951	- -	857,201	- -	837,663	7 7
Redemption of Debt (as per Statement on page 10) ...	379,571	17 11	356,130	- -	356,129	14 -
TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE ...	1,280,522	17 11	1,213,331	-	1,193,793	1 7
AMOUNTS RECEIVABLE—						
Balance in hand at the beginning of the year (less first dividend of the year) ...	78,579	11 5	20,623	- -	24,697	- 4
Interest—						
On Cash balance ...	10,000	- -	12,500	- -	11,592	5 1
On Loans advanced ...	250,000	- -	210,000	- -	246,997	2 8
On Accounts owing to the Board ...	897	16 5	500	- -	2,962	3 -
Interest and Sinking Fund receivable from Hornsey, South Hornsey, and Beckenham Local Boards in respect of Main Drainage debt...	2,715	10 6	2,813	- -	2,813	1 7
Rents ...	100,000	- -	100,000	- -	101,255	1 10
Coal and Wine Duties...	300,000	- -	300,000	- -	325,702	9 6
Fees on issue of Stock certificates to bearer (now received on Management of Stock Account—see p. 28) ...	—		500	- -	—	
Dividend and Sinking Fund charged to Bridge expenses (p. 28) ...	111,141	- -	102,491	- -	102,491	- -
Dividend and Sinking Fund charged to Dwelling House Improvement Fund (p. 33) ...	72,040	9 4	71,550	- -	71,550	- -
Interest charged on a Loan of £40,000 advanced to the Joint Committee under the Kew and other Bridges Act, the same to be received with compound interest on 10th July, 1885 ...	2,148	10 6	3,050	- -	2,000	16 -
TOTAL AMOUNTS RECEIVABLE ...	927,522	17 11	823,017	- -	892,130	- -
Deficiency chargeable on Rate ...	353,000	- -				
The same in years 1885 and 1884 ...	...		390,284	- -	390,284	- -

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THE CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND—(continued).

TOTAL NET DEBT OF THE BOARD, ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1885.

The proportion to be paid off in the year 1886 is computed on pages 9 and 10.

										1886.			1885.		
										£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
LOANS OUTSTANDING—										282,866	13	4	308,400	—	—
As on page 6 ...										16,984,325	16	11	16,984,325	16	11
Metropolitan Consolidated Stock—terminable in 1929 ...															
Total terminable in or before 1929 ...										17,267,192	10	3	17,292,725	16	11
Metropolitan Consolidated Stock—terminable in 1941 ...										9,000,000	—	—	7,250,000	—	—
										26,267,192	10	3	24,542,725	16	11
													</		

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Detail of amount included in Estimate

	1886.			1885.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The computations showing how the Board arrives at the amount to be applied in Redemption of Debt are as follows:—						
I.— <i>In respect of Loans and Stock terminable in or before 1929.</i>						
The Loans raised prior to the creation of Stock, as shown in detail on page 6, are ...	£282,866	13	4			
The Metropolitan Consolidated Stock terminable in 1929 is, at par value ...	16,984,325	16	11			
	£17,267,192	10	3			
Recoupments, viz.:						
Loans advanced by the Board and outstanding. (See page 26) ...	£4,565,576	3	9			
Less portion of the above advanced out of reserved interest, set aside to meet cost of redeeming Stock over par price (see note) ...	61,254	—	1			
	4,504,322	3	8			
Estimated value of surplus land and premises acquired under Acts passed prior to the 1st January, 1881—to be realised (under Act 47 and 48 Vic., cap. 50, s. 23), by the 6th October, 1929. (see page 8) ...	2,075,989	—	—			
Fire Brigade Loans (up to 1881), for which provision is made separately. (see next page.) ...	112,042	3	7			
	6,692,353	7	3			
Advances beyond Cash balance ...	126,192	2	1			
	6,566,161	5	2			
Net liability terminating in 1929, after deducting assets ...	£10,701,031	5	1			
One Forty-fourth of the same chargeable on the rate of 1886 is...	243,205	5	1			
One Forty-fifth part of the net debt charged in 1885 was ...	...			244,752	11	6
Interest to be set aside in 1886 (see page 27) ...	14,094	15	4			
Interest set aside in 1885 for redemption of debt ...	...			11,844	17	5
Carried forward ...	257,300	—	5	256,597	8	11

NOTE.—Interest charged on Loans advanced by the Board, covers partly the cost of redeeming Stock at a higher rate than that at which it was issued. The portion set aside for the 1929 Stock is as follows, viz.:

Of Interest received prior to 31st December, 1880	(vide Audited accounts)	£8,000	—	—
Ditto in 1881	(vide Estimates)	8,963	6	2
Ditto in 1882	"	9,970	16	10
Ditto in 1883	"	10,796	19	—
Ditto in 1884	"	11,678	—	8
Ditto in 1885	"	11,844	17	5

£61,254 —

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LOANS FUND—(continued).

(on page 7) for redemption of debt.

						1886.			1885.		
						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward						257,300	-	5	256,597	8	11
II.—In respect of Stock terminable in 1941—											
The par value of the Stock is... ..						£9,000,000			-		
Recoupments, viz.—											
Loans advanced by the Board and outstanding (see page 26)						£2,782,110			- 5		
Less portion of the above advanced out of Reserved Interest, set aside to meet cost of redeeming Stock over par price (see note)						6,864			17 -		
						2,775,245			3 5		
Estimated value of surplus land acquired under Acts passed subsequent to the 1st January, 1881 (see page 8)						12,920			- -		
Fire Brigade Loans (from 1881) for which provision is made separately (see Table III. below)... ..						118,714			3 6		
Cash balance available						11,638			8 7		
Money in hand to be advanced in loans						439,470			- -		
						3,357,987,			15 6		
Net liability terminating in 1941, after deducting assets						£5,642,012			4 6		
One fifty-fifth of the same, chargeable on the rate of 1886 is						102,582			- 10		
One fifty-sixth part of the net debt charged in 1885 was						8,552			5 7		
Interest to be set aside in 1886 (see page 27)						6,864			17		
Interest set aside in 1885 for redemption of debt											
III.—In respect of Loans expended on Fire Brigade Stations and Plant—											
Year of Loan.	Purposes.	No. of Years	Amount of Loan.	Balance.		Proportion chargeable in 1886.					
			£	£	s. d.						
1869	Plant ...	20	10,000	2,000	- -	Fourth.	500	-	500	-	-
1871	Do.	15	5,000	1,000	- -	Third.	333	6	333	6	8
1876	Stations	30	47,895	33,526	10 -	Twenty-first.	1,596	10	1,596	10	-
1877	Do.	30	33,544	24,562	1 11	Twenty-second.	1,116	9	1,116	9	3
"	Plant ...	15	1,456	728	- -	Seventh.	104	-	104	-	-
1878	Stations	30	17,732	13,534	11 8	Twenty-third.	588	9	588	9	2
"	Plant ...	15	2,268	1,296	- -	Eighth.	162	-	162	-	-
1879	Stations	30	12,398	9,576	- -	Twenty-fourth.	399	-	399	-	-
"	Plant ...	15	9,540	6,135	- -	Ninth.	681	-	681	-	-
1880	Stations	30	18,128	15,106	13 4	Twenty-fifth.	604	5	604	5	4
"	Plant ...	15	6,866	4,577	6 8	Tenth.	457	14	457	14	8
Total out of Stock redeemable in 1929				112,042		3 7					
1881	Stations	30	30,255	26,270	1 6	Twenty-sixth.	1,010	7	1,010	7	4
"	Plant ...	15	1,466	1,115	10 9	Eleventh.	101	8	101	8	5
1882	Stations	30	16,493	14,580	- -	Twenty-seventh.	540	-	540	-	-
"	Plant ...	15	2,137	1,680	- -	Twelfth.	140	-	150	-	-
1883	Stations	30	41,511	38,752	- -	Twenty-eighth.	1,384	-	1,384	-	-
"	Plant ...	15	2,799	2,483	- -	Thirteenth.	191	-	191	-	-
1884	Stations	30	14,296	13,296	- -	Twenty-ninth.	472	-	1,166	13	4
"	Plant ...	15	2,044	1,877	6 8	Fourteenth.	134	-	-	-	-
1885	Various	30	18,660	18,660	4 7	Thirtieth.	622	-	-	-	-
Total out of Stock redeemable in 1941				£118,714		3 6					
TOTAL AMOUNT PROVIDED IN THE CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND, for redemption of debt (see page 7)						379,571			17 11		
Amount provided in 1885						£356,129			14 -		

NOTE.—Interest charged on Loans advanced by the Board, covers partly the cost of redeeming Stock at a higher rate than that at which it was issued. The portion set aside for the 1941 Stock is as follows, viz. :—

Of Interest received in 1885 (vide Estimates) £6,864 17 -

STATEMENT in detail of Loans issued by the Board, and balances outstanding on the 31st December, 1885.

LOANS TO VESTRIES AND OTHER BODIES REPAYABLE BY ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS.

Name of Borrower.	Register No.	Amount of Loan.	Rate of Interest.	Amount to be repaid annually.	For how many years.	First and last years of repayment.		Balances outstanding, 31st December, 1885.			
						First.	Last.	Raised in Stock.		Advanced out of Consolidated Loans Fund.	
								Terminable in 1899.	Terminable in 1941.	Terminable in 1899.	Terminable in 1941.
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.				£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Beckenham Local Board ...	50	6,000	3 18 6	286 - -	21	1874	1894	2,574 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	53	1,000	3 18 6	33 - -	30	1875	1904	627 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	86	2,500	3 18 6	83 - -	30	1877	1906	1,743 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	164	600	3 18 6	21 - -	29	1878	1906	432 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	301	400	3 15 -	16 - -	26	1881	1906	320 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	54	4,500	3 18 6	150 - -	30	1875	1904	2,850 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Bermondsey Vestry ...	174	1,250	3 15 -	42 - -	30	1878	1907	914 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	254	12,000	3 15 -	240 - -	50	1880	1929	10,560 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	284	10,000	4 - -	334 - -	30	1881	1910	8,330 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	307	10,000	4 - -	334 - -	30	1882	1911	- - -	8,664 - -	- - -	- - -
	615	4,800	3 10 -	240 - -	20	1886	1905	- - -	- - -	4,800 - -	- - -
	"	200	3 10 -	34 - -	6	1886	1891	- - -	- - -	200 - -	- - -
Bermondsey Baths, &c., Commissioners	577	2,000	3 10 -	134 - -	15	1886	1900	- - -	- - -	2,000 - -	- - -
	578	4,000	3 10 -	134 - -	30	1886	1915	- - -	- - -	4,000 - -	- - -
Bethnal Green Vestry ...	171	20,000	3 15 -	1,000 - -	20	1878	1897	12,000 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	263	15,000	3 15 -	750 - -	20	1881	1900	11,250 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	324	14,000	3 15 -	700 - -	20	1882	1901	- - -	- - -	11,200 - -	- - -
	347	4,500	3 10 -	90 - -	50	1883	1932	- - -	4,230 - -	- - -	- - -
	446	15,000	3 10 -	750 - -	20	1884	1903	- - -	- - -	- - -	13,500 - -
	551	6,000	3 10 -	300 - -	20	1886	1105	- - -	- - -	6,000 - -	- - -
Bethnal Green Guardians...	197	2,350	3 15 -	156 13 4	15	1879	1893	1,253 6 8	- - -	- - -	- - -
	"	3,000	3 15 -	150 - -	20	1879	1898	1,950 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	616	11,500	3 10 -	408 6 8	30	1886	1915	- - -	- - -	11,500 - -	- - -
Bloomsbury Guardians ...	298	9,700	4 10 -	646 13 4	15	1881	1895	6,466 13 4	- - -	- - -	- - -
	"	5,300	4 - -	176 13 4	20	1881	1910	4,416 13 4	- - -	- - -	- - -
	588	2,000	3 10 -	133 6 8	15	1886	1900	- - -	- - -	2,000 - -	- - -
Brentwood School District Managers ...	311	1,906	4 10	126 13 4	15	1882	1896	- - -	1,393 6 8	- - -	- - -
Bronley, St. Leonard, Churchwardens, &c. ...	222	7,000	3 15 -	700 - -	10	1880	1889	2,800 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	17	8,000	3 17 6	420 - -	19	1873	1891	2,520 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Camberwell Vestry...	265	17,000	3 15 -	850 - -	20	1881	1900	12,750 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	274	12,500	3 15 -	625 - -	20	1881	1900	9,375 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Central London School District Managers ...	250	14,600	3 15 -	486 13 4	30	1880	1909	11,680 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	261	900	3 15 -	90 - -	15	1880	1895	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -

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Name of Borrower.	Register N	Amount of Loan.	Rate of Interest.	Amount to be repaid annually.	For how many years.	First and last years of repayment.		Balances outstanding, 31st December, 1885.			
						First.	Last.	Raised in Stock.	Advanced out of Consolidated Loans Fund.	Terminable in 1941.	Terminable in 1941.
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.				£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward ...	...	111	3 15 -	390 -	50	...	1926	370,393 11 8	215,477 - -	65,256 17 4	
Kensington Vestry ...	...	120	3 18 6	27 -	30	1877	1906	15,990 - -			
		134	3 15 -	614 -	14	1878	1891	563 - -			
		213	3 15 -	373 -	15	1878	1891	3,684 - -			
		218	3 15 -	75 -	50	1880	1929	2,984 - -			
		"	3 15 -	407 -	30	1880	1909	3,225 - -			
		221	3 15 -	193 -	15	1880	1894	9,351 - -			
		240	3 15 -	400 -	30	1880	1909	1,737 - -			
		246	3 15 -	200 -	14	1880	1893	9,600 - -			
		262	3 15 -	210 -	30	1881	1910	1,600 - -			
		295	4 - -	60 -	30	1881	1910	5,040 - -			
		323	3 15 -	2,571 -	7	1882	1888	1,500 - -			
		336	3 10 -	350 -	50	1882	1931		7,713 - -		
		353	3 10 -	1,857 -	7	1882	1888		5,571 - -		1,400 - -
		376	3 10 -	300 -	10	1883	1892				
* To be repaid on 1st July, 1892	...	377	3 10 -	*	10	1892	1892				
		388	3 10 -	1,414 -	7	1883	1889		8,235 - -		
		439	3 10 -	167 -	30	1883	1893		5,656 - -		
† ditto 1893	...	440	3 10 -	200 -	30	1884	1913		4,666 - -		
		441	3 10 -	834 -	6	1884	1889		6,000 - -		
		442	3 10 -	834 -	6	1884	1889		5,600 - -		
		447	3 10 -	184 -	30	1884	1889		3,332 - -		3,332 - -
		558	3 10 -	340 -	5	1886	1915		5,500 - -		
		559	3 10 -	417 -	10	1895	1895		3,100 - -		
		571	3 10 -	900 -	7	1886	1891		1,700 - -		
		621	3 10 -	200 -	50	1886	1891		2,500 - -		
		622	3 10 -	80 -	50	1886	1892		6,300 - -		
Kensington Baths, &c., Commissioners...		554	3 10 -	200 -	13	1886	1935				9,800 - -
		623	3 10 -	Interest added to Debt quarterly.	50	1886	1935				3,000 - -
Kew and other Bridges Joint Committee		83	3 15 -	200 -	15	1876	1889	40,000 - -	16,494 4 1		
Lambeth Vestry ...	...	108	3 15 -	400 -	10	1877	1891	1,200 - -			
		258	3 15 -	200 -	30	1880	1889	1,600 - -			
		380	3 10 -	1,000 -	10	1883	1912				5,400 - -
		416	3 10 -	660 -	5	1884	1893		8,000 - -		
		435	3 10 -	167 -	15	1884	1888		1,980 - -		
		436	3 10 -	900 -	10	1884	1898		2,166 - -		
		437	3 10 -		10	1884	1893		7,200 - -		

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Lambeth Guardians	...	...	...	...	70	10,000	3 18	6	333	6 8	30	1876	1905	6,666 13 4					
					81	10,000	3 18	6	333	6 8	30	1876	1905	6,666 13 4					
					113	6,500	3 15	-	216	13 4	30	1877	1906	4,550 -					
					115	12,000	3 15	-	400 -	-	30	1877	1906	8,400 -					
					126	8,000	3 15	-	266	13 4	30	1877	1906	5,600 -					
					142	5,000	3 15	-	166	13 4	30	1878	1907	3,666 13 4					
					150	6,000	3 15	-	200 -	-	30	1878	1907	4,400 -					
					173	2,800	3 15	-	93	6 8	30	1878	1907	2,053 6 8					
					178	10,000	3 15	-	333	6 8	30	1878	1907	7,333 6 8					
					201	4,000	3 15	-	133	6 8	30	1879	1908	3,066 13 4					
					248	10,000	3 15	-	333	6 8	30	1880	1909	8,000 -					
					309	6,000	4 -	-	200 -	-	30	1882	1911	-	5,200	-	-		
					329	9,000	3 15	-	300 -	-	30	1882	1911	-	-	7,800	-		
					360	12,700	3 10	-	635 -	-	20	1882	1901	-	-	10,160	-		
					398	4,500	3 10	-	150 -	-	30	1884	1913	-	-	4,050	-		
					444	25,000	3 10	-	833	6 8	30	1884	1913	-	-	23,333	6 8		
					477	21,000	3 10	-	700 -	-	30	1885	1914	-	-	-	-	19,600 -	
					478	4,000	3 10	-	266	13 4	15	1885	1899	-	-	-	-	3,466 13 4	
					509	3,000	3 10	-	300 -	-	10	1885	1894	-	-	2,700	-		
					539	1,000	3 10	-	33	6 8	30	1886	1915	-	-	966	13 4		
					564	3,000	3 10	-	200 -	-	15	1886	1900	-	-	3,000	-		
					601	3,000	3 10	-	200 -	-	15	1886	1900	-	-	3,000	-		
					610	1,300	3 10	-	43	6 8	30	1886	1915	-	-	1,300	-		
Lee Burial Board ...	...	...	...	...	158	2,200	3 15	-	71 -	-	31	1878	1908	-	-	-	-		
Lewisham District Board ...	...	...	...	...	30	5,000	3 17	6	250 -	-	20	1874	1893	-	-	-	-		
					47	9,900	3 18	6	180 -	-	55	1875	1929	-	-	2,000	-		
					186	1,000	3 15	-	50 -	-	20	1879	1898	-	-	7,920	-		
					302	1,500	4 5	-	75 -	-	20	1881	1900	-	-	650	-		
					319	24,800	3 15	-	1,600 -	-	20	1882	1901	-	-	1,125	-		
					333	2,200	3 10	-	440 -	-	5	1882	1886	-	-	-	-	18,400 -	
					334	3,900	3 10	-	195 -	-	20	1882	1901	-	-	440	-		
					383	2,900	3 10	-	193 -	-	15	1883	1897	-	-	3,120	-		
					456	2,100	3 10	-	210 -	-	10	1884	1893	-	-	-	-		
					457	700	3 10	-	117 -	-	6	1884	1889	-	-	-	-	466 -	
					524	1,150	3 10	-	77 -	-	15	1885	1899	-	-	1,073	-		
					525	1,000	3 10	-	200 -	-	5	1885	1889	-	-	800	-		
					593	2,200	3 10	-	256 -	-	10	1886	1895	-	-	2,200	-		
Lewisham Baths, &c., Commissioners ...	...	...	...	...	490	16,000	3 10	-	533	6 8	30	1885	1914	-	-	15,466	13 4		
					516	2,200	3 10	-	146	13 4	15	1885	1899	-	-	-	-	2,053 6 8	
Lewisham Guardians	...	...	...	...	586	3,800	3 10	-	253	6 8	15	1886	1900	-	-	3,800	-		
					587	1,000	3 10	-	66	13 4	15	1886	1900	-	-	1,000	-		
Limehouse District Board	...	...	...	...	12	7,250	3 17	6	10 -	-	51	1879	1929	-	-	440	-		
					20	7,250	3 17	6	127 -	-	57	1873	1929	-	-	5,588	-		
					"	6,000	3 17	6	105 -	-	57	1873	1929	-	-	4,620	-		
					51	5,633	3 18	6	51 -	-	55	1875	1929	-	-	2,244	-		
					61	1,900	3 18	6	35 -	-	54	1876	1929	-	-	1,540	-		
					67	10,500	3 18	6	700 -	-	15	1876	1890	-	-	3,500	-		
Carried forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	60,277	6 8	420,368	17 5	117,304 17 4

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								Terminable in 1899.	Terminable in 1941.	Terminable in 1899.	Terminable in 1941.
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		...	...	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Limehouse Churchwardens ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Metropolitan Asylums District Managers	1 to 4	460,000	3 17 6	7,556 13 4	60	1870	1929	337,333 6 8			
	5	7,550	3 17 6	128 - -	59	1871	1929	5,632 - -			
	6	14,500	3 17 6	246 - -	59	1871	1929	10,824 - -			
	7	17,950	4 - -	304 - -	59	1871	1929	13,390 - -			
	8	16,700	3 17 6	283 - -	59	1871	1929	12,452 - -			
	11	12,773	3 17 6	221 - -	58	1872	1929	9,724 - -			
	19	23,797	3 17 6	417 - -	57	1873	1929	18,348 - -			
	39	7,800	3 17 6	139 - -	56	1874	1929	6,116 - -			
	57-58	38,930	3 18 6	708 - -	55	1875	1929	31,152 - -			
	84	50,000	3 15 - -	926 - -	54	1876	1929	40,744 - -			
	109	25,000	3 15 - -	480 - -	52	1877	1928	20,640 - -			
	121	50,000	3 15 - -	1,250 - -	20	1877	1896	13,750 - -			
	159	30,075	3 15 - -	578 - -	52	1877	1928	41,323 - -			
	200	31,500	3 15 - -	825 - -	52	1878	1929	25,432 - -			
	225	2,800	3 15 - -	617 - -	51	1878	1897	9,900 - -			
	226	42,700	3 15 - -	1,323 - -	15	1879	1893	9,864 - -			
	227	4,500	3 15 - -	854 - -	20	1879	1898	1,820 - -			
	281	24,450	4 10 - -	300 - -	50	1879	1928	36,722 - -			
	282	18,200	3 15 - -	1,630 - -	15	1881	1895	2,400 - -			
	300	13,750	3 15 - -	372 - -	49	1881	1929	16,340 - -			
	314	3,600	4 10 - -	240 - -	15	1881	1895	12,345 - -			
	342	11,000	3 10 - -	773 - -	15	1882	1896	2,400 - -			
	343	7,700	3 10 - -	2,200 - -	5	1882	1886	8,508 - -			
	354	6,600	3 10 - -	513 - -	15	1882	1896	- - - -			
	420	9,830	3 10 - -	112 - -	59	1883	1941	6,264 - -			
	421	2,200	3 10 - -	170 - -	58	1884	1888	9,490 - -			
	458	32,465	3 10 - -	440 - -	5	1884	1888	- - - -			
	459	2,250	3 10 - -	560 - -	58	1884	1941	51,345 - -			
	460	12,630	3 10 - -	75 - -	30	1884	1913	2,100 - -			
	469	14,125	3 10 - -	842 - -	15	1884	1898	10,946 - -			
				248 - -	57	1885	1941	13,877 - -			

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Loans issued by the Board—(continued).

Name of Borrower	Register No.	Amount of Loan.	Rate of Interest.	Amount to be repaid annually.	For how many years.	First and Last years of repayment.		Balances outstanding 31st December, 1885.					
						First.	Last.	Raised in Stock.		Advanced out of Consolidated Loans Fund.		Terminable in 1841.	
								Terminable in 1829.	£ s. d.	Terminable in 1829.	£ s. d.	Terminable in 1841.	£ s. d.
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Plumstead District Board	59	1,000	3 18 6	33 10	30	1876	1905	670	-	-	-	141,254	17 4
	155	850	3 15 -	43 -	20	1878	1897	506	-	-	-	-	-
	189	2,500	3 15 -	125 -	20	1879	1898	1,625	-	-	-	-	-
	192	1,000	3 15 -	67 -	15	1879	1893	531	-	-	-	-	-
	249	1,000	3 15 -	100 -	10	1880	1889	400	-	-	-	-	-
	257	800	3 15 -	54 -	15	1880	1894	477	-	-	-	-	-
	203	1,000	4 5 -	50 -	20	1882	1901	800	-	-	-	-	-
	432	4,200	3 10 -	280 -	15	1884	1898	-	-	-	-	-	-
	433	1,500	3 10 -	300 -	5	1884	1888	-	-	-	-	-	-
	434	1,000	3 10 -	34 -	30	1884	1913	-	-	-	-	-	-
	522	750	3 10 -	150 -	5	1885	1889	-	-	-	-	-	-
	523	840	3 10 -	84 -	10	1885	1894	-	-	-	-	-	-
	562	3,600	3 10 -	120 -	30	1886	1915	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poplar District Board	45	8,000	3 17 6	400 -	20	1874	1893	3,200	-	-	-	-	-
	48	9,500	3 17 6	500 -	19	1875	1893	4,000	-	-	-	-	-
	154	14,000	3 15 -	700 -	20	1878	1897	8,400	-	-	-	-	-
	214	13,000	3 15 -	650 -	20	1880	1899	8,450	-	-	-	-	-
	229	12,500	3 15 -	625 -	20	1880	1899	8,750	-	-	-	-	-
	264	3,500	3 15 -	175 -	20	1881	1900	2,450	-	-	-	-	-
	379	3,500	3 10 -	700 -	5	1883	1887	-	-	-	-	-	-
	455	3,000	3 10 -	200 -	15	1884	1898	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poplar Guardians	537	2,600	3 10 -	372 -	7	1885	1891	-	-	-	-	-	-
Putney Churchwardens	215	3,500	3 15 -	116 13 4	30	1880	1909	2,683	6 8	-	-	-	-
Rotherhithe Vestry	280	2,100	3 15 -	42 -	50	1880	1929	1,848	-	-	-	-	-
	327	2,000	3 15 -	100 -	20	1882	1901	-	-	-	-	-	-
	463	1,800	3 10 -	90 -	20	1884	1903	-	-	-	-	-	-
	580	250	3 10 -	9 -	30	1886	1915	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rotherhithe Baths, &c., Commissioners	232	1,500	3 15 -	50 -	30	1880	1909	1,200	-	-	-	-	-
	259	24,560	3 15 -	816 13 4	30	1880	1909	19,600	-	-	-	-	-
	366	3,000	3 10 -	104 -	29	1883	1911	-	-	-	-	-	-
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St. George, Hanover-square, Vestry	271	20,000	4	-	-	2,857	-	-	7	1881	1887	5,715	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Loans issued by the Board—(continued).

Name of Borrower.	Register No.	Amount of Loan.	Rate of Interest.	Amount to be repaid annually.	For how many years.	First and last years of repayment.		Balances outstanding 31st December, 1885.					
						First.	Last.	Raised in Stock.		Advanced out of Consolidated Loans Fund.		Terminable in 1941.	
								Terminable in 1929.	Terminable in 1941.	Terminable in 1929.	Terminable in 1941.		
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	...	...	...	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,545,555 2 10	180,185 6 8	754,420 17 5	151,504 17 4		
St. Marylebone Vestry	...	26,400	3 17 6	266 - -	58	1872	1929	11,704 - -					
	9	13,600	3 17 6	120 - -	51	1879	1929	5,280 - -					
	10	8,925	3 17 6	49 - -	51	1879	1929	2,182 - -					
	24	4,842	3 17 6	47 - -	50	1880	1929	2,060 - -					
	33	5,000	3 17 6	84 - -	56	1874	1929	3,704 - -					
	42	5,000	3 15 -	250 - -	20	1878	1897	3,000 - -					
	123	11,000	3 15 -	367 - -	30	1878	1907	8,064 - -					
	144	2,000	3 15 -	67 - -	30	1878	1907	1,464 - -					
	169	5,000	3 15 -	166 - -	30	1880	1909	4,004 - -					
	239	5,000	3 15 -	166 - -	30	1880	1909	4,004 - -					
	256	10,000	3 18 6	334 - -	30	1876	1905	6,660 - -					
St. Marylebone Guardians	...	71	3 18 6	333 6 8	30	1876	1905	6,666 13 4					
	79	10,000	3 18 6	333 6 8	30	1876	1905	6,666 13 4					
	357	17,000	3 10 -	1,133 6 8	15	1882	1896	- - -		12,466 13 4	- - -		
	361	1,000	3 10 -	50 - -	20	1882	1901	- - -		800 - -	- - -		
St. Olave's District Board	...	124	3 15 -	167 - -	15	1878	1892	1,164 - -		960 - -	- - -		
	378	2,400	3 10 -	480 - -	5	1883	1887	- - -		715 - -	- - -		
	415	1,000	3 10 -	143 - -	7	1881	1890	- - -		950 - -	- - -		
	529	1,000	3 10 -	50 - -	20	1885	1904	- - -		- - -	- - -		
St. Pancras Vestry	...	31	3 17 6	400 - -	20	1874	1893	3,200 - -					
	89	5,500	3 15 -	184 - -	30	1877	1906	3,844 - -					
	117	11,250	3 15 -	1,125 - -	10	1877	1886	1,125 - -					
	153	1,927	3 15 -	39 - -	50	1878	1927	1,615 - -					
	166	6,750	3 15 -	225 - -	30	1878	1907	4,950 - -					
	170	6,000	3 15 -	300 - -	20	1878	1897	3,600 - -					
	175	1,700	3 15 -	113 - -	15	1878	1892	791 - -					
	181	800	3 15 -	40 - -	20	1879	1898	520 - -					
	"	800	3 15 -	80 - -	10	1879	1888	240 - -					
	194	3,000	3 15 -	60 - -	50	1879	1928	2,580 - -					
	236	700	3 15 -	23 - -	30	1880	1909	562 - -					
	454	1,200	3 10 -	40 - -	30	1884	1913	- - -				1,120 - -	- - -

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LOANS FUND—(continued).

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Loans issued by the Board—(continued).

Name of Borrower.	Registered No.	Amount of Loan.	Rate of Interest.	Amount to be repaid Annually.	For How Many Years.	Balances outstanding, 31st December, 1885.					
						First and last years of repayment.		Raised in Stock.		Advanced out of Consolidated Loans Fund.	
						First.	Last.	Terminable in 1922.	Terminable in 1941.	Terminable in 1929.	Terminable in 1941.
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	...	...	...	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,219,617 2 10	2,346,145 6 8	1,177,100 17 5	247,624 17 4
Shoreditch Vestry	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,065 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	74	5,000	3 18 6	333 - -	15	1876	1890	3,570 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	82	10,000	3 18 6	714 - -	14	1877	1890	2,750 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	116	5,000	3 15 -	250 - -	20	1877	1896	2,893 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	125	5,000	3 15 -	263 - -	19	1878	1896	33,840 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	136	40,000	3 15 -	770 - -	52	1878	1929	3,000 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	147	5,000	3 15 -	250 - -	20	1878	1897	2,928 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	167	4,000	3 15 -	134 - -	30	1878	1907	1,364 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	204	15,000	3 15 -	31 - -	51	1879	1929	3,600 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	216	6,000	3 15 -	400 - -	15	1880	1894	3,400 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	231	6,000	3 15 -	400 - -	15	1880	1894	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Shoreditch Guardians	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,793 6 8	- - -	- - -	- - -
	66	11,690	3 18 6	380 13 4	30	1876	1905	1,980 - -	- - -	5,786 13 4	800 - -
	135	2,700	3 15 -	90 - -	30	1878	1907	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	390	1,000	3 10 -	66 13 4	15	1883	1897	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	395	6,200	3 10 -	206 13 4	30	1884	1913	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	472	10,000	3 10 -	333 6 8	30	1885	1914	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	491	8,000	3 10 -	266 13 4	30	1885	1914	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	535	3,100	3 10 -	206 13 4	15	1885	1899	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	598	600	3 10 -	40 - -	15	1886	1900	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	599	4,350	3 10 -	145 - -	30	1886	1915	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
South Metropolitan Managers...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,750 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	283	4,500	3 15 -	150 - -	30	1881	1910	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	340	10,000	3 10 -	333 6 8	30	1882	1911	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	359	10,000	3 10 -	333 6 8	30	1882	1911	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	370	25,000	3 10 -	833 6 8	30	1882	1911	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	389	30,000	3 10 -	1,000 - -	30	1883	1912	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	429	5,000	3 10 -	500 - -	10	1884	1893	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	506	7,500	3 10 -	250 - -	30	1885	1914	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Grand District Board	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	373	3,500	3 10 -	175 - -	20	1882	1901	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	374	2,500	3 10 -	500 - -	5	1882	1886	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	500	3,100	3 10 -	620 - -	5	1885	1889	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	500	900	3 10 -	45 - -	20	1886	1905	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -

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LOANS FUND—(continued).

Strand Union Guardians ...	...	...	163	31,500	3 15	-	1,432	-	-	22	1878	1899	20,044	-	932	-	-																														
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Wandsworth District Board	...	...	76	3,600	3 18	6	120	-	-	30	1876	1905	2,400	-	2,896	-	-																														
	...	...	104	1,400	3 15	-	47	-	-	30	1877	1906	977	-				932	-	-																											
	...	...	119	1,500	3 15	-	150	-	-	10	1877	1886	150	-							6,300	-	-																								
	...	...	296	1,500	4	-	50	-	-	30	1881	1910	1,250	-										2,375	-	-																					
	...	...	304	3,000	4	-	100	-	-	30	1882	1911	2,630	-													2,750	-	-																		
	...	...	362	1,000	3 10	-	100	-	-	10	1882	1891	-	-																4,000	-	-															
	...	...	387	2,000	3 10	-	67	-	-	30	1883	1912	-	-																			4,000	-	-												
	...	...	465	3,000	3 10	-	52	-	-	58	1884	1941	-	-																						4,000	-	-									
	...	...	466	1,000	3 10	-	34	-	-	30	1884	1913	-	-																									4,000	-	-						
	...	...	467	7,000	3 10	-	350	-	-	20	1884	1903	-	-																												4,000	-	-			
	...	...	488	2,500	3 10	-	125	-	-	20	1885	1904	-	-																															4,000	-	-
	...	...	493	2,800	3 10	-	50	-	-	57	1885	1941	-	-																																	
...	...	494	700	3 10	-	35	-	-	20	1885	1904	-	-	4,000	-	-																															
...	...	544	750	3 10	-	25	-	-	30	1886	1915	-	-				4,000	-	-																												
...	...	594	4,000	3 10	-	80	-	-	50	1886	1935	-	-							4,000	-	-																									
Wandsworth and Clapham Union Guardians	...	...	600	6,000	3 10	-	400	-	-	15	1886	1900	-										-	6,000	-	-																					
	...	...	87	16,500	3 15	-	330	-	-	50	1879	1928	14,190										-				6,000	-	-																		
West Kent Main Sewerage Board	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...										...	4,756	-	-																					
	...	...	331	11,100	3 10	-	1,586	-	-	7	1882	1888	-										-				4,756	-	-																		
	...	...	393	6,800	3 10	-	971	-	-	7	1883	1889	-										-							4,756	-	-															
Westminster District Board	...	...	611	7,000	3 10	-	1,167	-	-	6	1886	1891	-										-	3,884	-	-																					
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...										...				3,884	-	-																		
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...										...							3,884	-	-															
Whitechapel	do.	...	13	15,000	3 17	6	259	-	-	58	1872	1929	11,396										-	7,000	-	-																					
	...	...	72	10,000	3 18	6	667	-	-	15	1876	1890	3,330	-	7,000	-							-																								
	...	...	85	5,000	3 18	6	333	-	-	15	1876	1890	1,665	-			7,000	-	-																												
Whitechapel Baths, &c., Commissioners	...	...	129	3,000	3 15	-	100	-	-	30	1877	1906	2,100	-						2,416	13	4																									
	...	...	145	3,000	3 15	-	104	-	-	29	1878	1906	2,168	-	2,416	13							4																								
	...	...	160	2,500	3 15	-	86	-	-	29	1878	1906	1,806	-			2,416	13	4																												
	...	...	514	2,500	3 10	-	83	6 8	-	30	1885	1914	-	-										2,416	13	4																					
	...	...	597	1,500	3 10	-	50	-	-	30	1886	1915	-	-													2,416	13	4																		
Woolwich Local Board	...	...	305	3,400	3 15	-	70	-	-	48	1882	1929	3,120	-						1,955	-	-																									
	...	...	471	2,000	3 10	-	45	-	-	45	1885	1929	-	-	1,955	-							-																								
	...	...	499	1,000	3 10	-	66	13 4	-	15	1885	1899	-	-			1,955	-	-																												
Do. Burial Board	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						933	6	8																									
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	933	6							8																								
Carried forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			1,315,008	4	1																												
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,315,008	4				1																											
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			272,073	10	8																												
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	272,073	10				8																											

Loans issued by the Board—(continued).

LOANS TO GUARDIANS FOR POOR LAW PURPOSES, AND OTHER BODIES, REPAYABLE BY FIXED PERIODICAL AMOUNTS INCLUDING PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST.

Name of Borrower.	Register No.	Amount of Loan.	Rate of Interest.	Amount of fixed payment.	How Payable.	For how many years.	First and last years of re-payment.		Balances outstanding, 31st December, 1885.		
							First.	Last.	Raised in Stock.		Advanced out of Consolidated Loans Fund.
									Terminable in 1923.	Terminable in 1941.	Terminable in 1941.
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,364,736 9 6	2,350,996 6 8	272,073 10 8
Bloomsbury Guardians	185	15,000	3 15 -	419 9 4	Half-yearly	30	1878	1908	12,652 7 8	1,315,008 4 1	
...	209	15,000	3 15 -	419 9 4	do.	30	1879	1908	12,830 3 1		
...	245	10,000	3 15 -	279 12 10	do.	30	1880	1909	8,783 18 7		
...	252	10,000	3 15 -	279 12 10	do.	30	1880	1909	8,783 18 7		
...	350	3,000	3 10 -	81 6 4	do.	30	1882	1911	—	2,789 - 8	
...	589	8,000	3 10 -	216 16 10	do.	30	1886	1915	—	8,000 -	
Brentwood School District	184	30,000	3 15 -	1,693 -	Yearly	30	1879	1908	25,660 6 2		
Managers	211	15,000	3 15 -	419 9 4	Half-yearly	30	1879	1908	12,830 3 1		
...	212	2,700	3 15 -	75 10 1	do.	30	1879	1908	2,309 8 6		
...	275	2,000	3 15 -	55 18 7	do.	30	1880	1910	1,779 3 11		
Camberwell Guardians	162	20,000	3 15 -	559 5 9	do.	30	1878	1907	16,628 7 -		
...	191	26,000	3 15 -	727 1 5	do.	30	1879	1908	22,238 18 7		
...	207	10,000	3 15 -	279 12 10	do.	30	1879	1908	8,553 8 9		
...	308	30,000	4 -	865 2 8	do.	30	1881	1911	—	27,441 19 7	
Chelsea Guardians	332	18,000	3 15 -	503 7 2	do.	30	1882	1911	—		16,595 16 3
...	392	2,500	3 10 -	67 15 3	do.	30	1883	1911	—		2,350 12 9
...	396	45,000	3 10 -	1,219 14 7	do.	30	1883	1913	—		42,779 7 8
...	484	5,000	3 10 -	135 10 6	do.	30	1884	1914	—		4,854 10 11
...	549	14,800	3 10 -	401 3 1	do.	30	1885	1915	—		14,658 19 7
Greenwich Guardians	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,895 11 2		
Holborn Guardians	202	10,400	3 15 -	290 16 7	do.	30	1879	1908	20,203 0 9		
...	247	23,000	3 15 -	643 3 7	do.	30	1880	1909	—		
...	316	13,500	3 15 -	377 10 5	do.	30	1882	1911	—	12,446 17 4	
...	489	6,300	3 10 -	170 15 3	do.	30	1884	1914	—		6,116 14 7
...	576	38,000	3 10 -	1,029 19 10	do.	30	1885	1915	—		37,637 18 4
...	617	11,000	3 10 -	298 3 2	do.	30	1886	1915	—		11,000 -
...	619	16,000	3 10 -	433 13 8	do.	30	1886	1915	—		16,000 -
...	156	3,000	3 15 -	83 17 11	do.	30	1878	1907	2,494 5 -		
Islington Guardians	196	8,000	3 15 -	223 14 4	do.	30	1879	1908	6,842 14 9		
...	244	1,500	3 15 -	41 19 -	do.	30	1880	1909	1,317 11 7		
...	352	42,000	3 10 -	1,138 8 3	do.	30	1882	1912	—		39,046 10 1
...	356	5,000	3 10 -	135 10 6	do.	30	1882	1912	—		4,648 7 10
...	317	55,000	4 -	1,586 1 6	do.	30	1882	1911	—	50,873 16 3	
Kensington Guardians	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	—		
Lewisham Guardians	339	6,000	3 10 -	162 12 8	do.	30	1882	1911	—		5,513 9 10
...	345	5,000	3 10 -	135 10 6	do.	30	1882	1911	—		4,648 7 10
...	382	10,000	3 10 -	271 1 -	do.	30	1882	1911	—		—
...	419	5,000	3 10 -	135 10 6	do.	30	1883	1913	—		4,753 5 3
...	413	10,000	3 10 -	271 1 -	do.	30	1884	1913	—		9,608 13 11
...	474	5,000	3 10 -	135 10 6	do.	30	1884	1914	—		4,854 10 11
...	547	4,000	3 10 -	108 8 6	do.	30	1884	1914	—		9,402 11 6

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THE CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND—(continued).

INTEREST TO BE SET ASIDE IN 1886 FOR REDEMPTION OF DEBT.

1.—STOCK TERMINABLE IN 1929—

The balances of loans advanced by the Board out of the proceeds of Stock, and outstanding on 31st December, 1885, were as follows—

	£	s.	d.
Under 4 per cent.	2,565,279	9	—
At and above 4 per cent.	153,675	15	7
	<u>2,718,955</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>

The loans were advanced at prices to cover the actual cost of money in annual interest, adding thereto an amount to pay the cost of redeeming Metropolitan Consolidated Stock at a higher price than that at which the stock was issued. The Board will set aside in 1886 for reduction of debt a portion of the interest charged on the above loans, viz.—

5s. per cent. on loans under 4 per cent.	£6,413	4	—
10s. „ „ at 4 per cent.	921	2	5
15s. „ „ at £4 5s. per cent.			
20s. „ „ at £4 10s. per cent.			

The balances of loans advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund were £1,846,620 19s. 2d. The Board will set aside in 1886 for reduction of debt, 5s. per cent. of the interest

4,616 11 1

The amounts hitherto set aside, as shown in note on page 9, are £61,254 0s. 1d. Interest receivable in 1886 on this sum is

2,143 17 10

£14,094 15 4

2.—STOCK TERMINABLE IN 1941—

The balances of loans advanced out of the proceeds of Stock amount to £2,446,363 8s. The Board will set aside in 1886, 6s. per cent. of the interest received

7,339 1 10

The balances of loans advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund were £335,746 12s. 5d. The Board will set aside in 1886, 6s. per cent. thereof

1,007 4 10

The amount set aside in 1885, as shown in Note on page 10, was £6,864 17s. Interest receivable in 1886 on this sum is

205 18 11

£8,552 5 7TOTAL £22,647 0 11

MANAGEMENT OF METROPOLITAN CONSOLIDATED STOCK.

	1886.	1885.		1884.
	Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure.	Expenditure.
The management of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock is undertaken by the Bank of England at an annual charge of £400 per £1,000,000 of stock	£ s. d. 10,200 - -	£ s. d. 9,560 - -	£ s. d. 9,309 11 -	£ s. d. 8,810 8 6

BRIDGE EXPENSES.

The expense of maintaining the bridges of the Metropolis which are over the River Thames west of Southwark (excluding Westminster), also the roads upon them, and Deptford-creek Bridge, with the road upon it, devolves upon the Board, under 40 and 41 Vic., c. xcix. The counties of Middlesex and Surrey contribute £1,200 per annum each, under Section 27, in discharge of any liability to maintain or reconstruct the bridges, and the South-Eastern Railway Company pays £675 per annum under Section 23, in respect of annual compensation formerly paid, under an Act of 1837, by the London and Greenwich Railway Company to the Deptford-creek Bridge Company.

The amount chargeable on the rates is to be raised as a General, not a Sewers' Rate, under Section 29 of Act 40 and 41 Vic., c. cxix., and under Section 34 of Act 47 and 48 Vic., c. cccxxviii.

	LOANS.			1886 Estimate.			1885.		1884.
	Year.	Original amount.	Balance outstanding.	Dividend.	Sinking Fund.	Total.	Estimates.	Expenditure.	Actual Expenditure and Receipts.
Expenditure.		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Interest and Sinking Fund</i>									
1. Under Act 40 and 41 Vic., c. xcix.—Purchasing the various Metropolitan Toll Bridges, and maintaining them as free communications.	1878	1,000,000	862,745	32,353	19,608				
	1879	500,000	440,000	16,500	10,000				
	1882	50,000	47,414	1,660	862				
	1883	5,000	4,825	169	88				
	1884	10,000	9,821	344	178				
	1885	16,779	16,779	587	305				
Add Interest on £5,000, which will probably be required in 1886	...	...	...	175	...				
				51,788	31,041	82,829	82,911	82,911	83,526
2. Under Acts 44 and 45 Vic., c. cxcii., and 47 and 48 Vic., c. cccxxviii.—Constructing new bridges at Putney and Battersea, and effecting alterations to Vauxhall and Deptford-creek Bridges.	1882	100,000	94,828	3,319	1,724				
	1883	120,000	115,789	4,053	2,105				
	1884	130,000	127,679	4,469	2,322				
	1885	83,000	83,000	2,905	1,509				
Add Interest on £75,000, which will probably be required in 1886	...	...	...	2,625	...				
				17,371	7,660	25,031	18,206	18,206	11,469
3. Under Act 46 and 47 Vic., c. clxxvii.—Re-constructing Hammersmith Bridge, and freeing from toll East and West Ferry Roads, in the Isle of Dogs.	1884	26,000	25,536	894	464				
	1885	23,000	23,000	805	418				
Add Interest on £20,000, which will probably be required in 1886	...	...	...	700	...				
				2,399	882	3,281	1,374	1,374	...
		2,063,779		71,5 8	39,583	111,141	102,491	102,491	94,995
<i>Maintenance, &c.</i>					£				
Repairs, Cleansing, Watering, &c.					6,000		6,000	5,235	4,938
Lighting expenses					800		1,100	710	872
Salaries and wages					600		00	584	535
Incidentals, including Establishment charges					830		800	827	469
					8,230				
Pensions of late Officers and Toll Collectors of Bridge Companies ...					1,457				
						9,687	1,482	1,482	1,507
							9,882	8,838	8,321
Total Expenditure ...						120,828	112,373	111,320	103,316
Receipts.									
Contributions from Counties of Middlesex and Surrey					2,400		2,400	2,400	2,400
South-Eastern Railway Company					675		675	675	675
Rents in respect of properties taken by the Board and re-let					1,155		989	1,460	1,200
Total Receipts ...					4,230		4,0	4,535	4,275
Surplus of prior years (shown in note, present estimate)					8,595		4,766	4,766	
						12,825	8,830	9,301	
Deficiency chargeable on Rate ...						108,003	103,543	102,028	99,041

NOTE.—Surplus of prior years—

Assets on 31st December, 1884... .. £10,148 - -

Charges admitted, after that date, appertaining to 1884 1,553 - -

Surplus

Sewerage Works.	1886.	1885.	
	Total Estimate.	Total Estimate.	Total Expenditure (approximate).
Construction ...	£ 2,000	£ 2,000	1,000
Repairs (including hedging and ditching Northern outfall) ...	6,200	6,100	4,000
Cleansing (including wages) ...	15,200	15,100	14,000
Incidentals ..	1,000	850	500
Ventilation of sewers, &c. ...	650	1,050	500
	25,050	25,100	21,000
Rent and taxes of sluice-houses, &c. ...	145	145	
Wages of Inspectors of works, Flushing inspectors and Sluice and flapkeepers ...	4,120	4,000	4,000
£	29,315	29,245	26,000

Pumping Stations.	ABBEY MILLS.			Western.		
	1886.	1885.		1886.	1885.	
	Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure (approximate).	Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure (approximate).
Wages (including Medical officers and Police) ...	£ 2,300	£ 2,300	£ 2,380	£ 1,700	£ 1,700	£ 1,700
Coals and coke ...	9,340	9,000	8,830	1,320	1,160	1,160
Repairs, stores, oil, &c. ...	3,210	4,600	3,110	1,600	1,400	1,400
Rates and taxes ...	430	430	422	330	320	320
Gas (exclusive of Crossness) and water ...	540	590	538	270	300	
£	15,820	16,920	15,280	5,220	4,880	4,880

Summary of Pumping Station.	1886.		
	Abbey Mills.	Western.	Crossness.
	£	£	£
Wages (including Medical officers, &c.) ...	2,300	1,700	4,000
Coals and coke ...	9,340	1,320	5,000
Repairs, stores, oil, &c. ...	3,210	1,600	12,000
Rates and taxes ...	430	330	
Gas and water ...	540	270	
£	15,820	5,220	23,000

Deodorizing Sewers, and at Outlets.

Thames Embankments.	1886.	1885.		VICTORIA (including Road by the Sea).		
	Total Estimate.	Total Estimate.	Total Expenditure (approximate).	1886.	1885.	
	£	£	£	Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure (approximate).
Repairs and cleansing	9,128	9,600	9,334	8,400	9,000	8,000
Lighting ...	1,500	1,830	1,437	1,000	1,300	1,000
Water ...	272	272	265	200	200	200
	10,900	11,702	11,036	9,600	10,500	10,000

NEW ROADS.
New Roads, &c., Finsbury-park.—(Under Act 37 and 38 Vict., cap. 97), Repairs, &c.

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TS; DEODORIZING SEWERS, AND AT BOARD'S OUTLETS; MAINTAINING NEW ROADS, &c.

MR. LOVICK'S DISTRICT.			MR. GRANT'S DISTRICT.			1884.
1886.	1885.		1886.	1885.		Total
Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure. (approximate).	Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure (approximate).	Expenditure.
£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1,000	1,000	883	1,000	1,000	631	1,042
500	4,000	3,320	2,700	2,100	1,429	6,560
600	7,600	7,444	7,600	7,500	7,119	13,866
100	100	38	900	750	764	816
400	400	105	250	650	50	412
600	13,100	11,790	12,450	12,000	9,993	22,696
...	...	...	...	...	...	145
...	...	...	...	...	...	3,914
...	...	...	...	...	...	26,755

CROSSNESS.			DEPTFORD.			EFFRA AND BATTERSEA.		
1886.	1885.		1886.	1885.		1886.	1885.	
Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure. (approximate).	Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure. (approximate).	Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure. (approximate).
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
490	4,270	4,467	2,512	2,497	2,531	355	355	356
760	5,430	6,088	2,135	2,260	2,546	155	155	117
000	10,000	4,450	820	643	812	120	125	97
890	890	656	906	606	652	50	50	42
340	200	—	267	214	252	20	15	8
480	20,790	15,661	6,640	6,220	6,793	700	700	620

ESTIMATE.			1885.		1884.
Deptford.	Effra and Battersea.	Total.	Total Estimate.	Total Expenditure (approximate).	Total Expenditure.
£	£	£	£	£	£
512	355	11,357	11,122	11,404	11,096
135	155	18,710	18,005	18,761	17,456
320	120	17,750	16,768	9,569	14,161
906	50	2,606	2,296	2,102	2,291
267	20	1,437	1,319	1,068	1,258
640	700	51,860	49,510	42,904	46,562

1886.	1885.		1884.
Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure (approximate).	Expenditure.
£	£	£	£
45,000	53,700	42,000	42,315

ALBERT.			CHELSEA.			1884.
1886.	1885.		1886.	1885.		Total
Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure (approximate).	Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure. (approximate).	Expenditure.
£	£	£	£	£	£	£
4	300	158	240	300	196	9,013
20	330	303	200	200	250	1,816
86	12	12	60	60	52	243
...	642	473	500	560	499	11,072

NSLEY PARK.

			1886.	1885.		1884.
			Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure (approximate).	Expenditure.
			£	£	£	£
term	&c.	...	(Nil.)	*2,000	*1,400	262

* NOTE.—These amounts include special repairs to the ...
 e give them over to the Hornsey Local Board on the 17th December, 1885; from which date the Board's liability to maintain ceased.

ESTIMATE FOR MAINTENANCE OF PARKS.

SERVICE.	1886.		1885.				1884.	
	Estimate.		Estimate.		Expenditure (approximate).		Expenditure.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
FINSBURY-PARK—								
Wages	2,150	- -	2,000	- -	2,133	- -	2,253	- -
Horse-hire, manure, gravel, and repairs to roads and paths	800	- -	1,200	- -	1,074	- -	1,462	- -
Planting and sowing	100	- -	100	- -	73	- -	98	- -
Repairs to lodge, gates and fencing, implements, &c.	350	- -	300	- -	343	- -	553	- -
Police attendance	330	- -	300	- -	264	- -	220	- -
Clothing and incidentals	250	- -	185	- -	239	- -	340	- -
Rates, taxes, gas and water	220	- -	250	- -	207	- -	200	- -
£	4,200	- -	4,335	- -	4,333	- -	5,126	- -
SOUTHWARK-PARK—								
Wages	1,500	- -	1,300	- -	1,453	- -	1,540	- -
Horse-hire, manure, and repairs to roads and paths	1,000	- -	500	- -	1,050	- -	290	- -
Planting and sowing	50	- -	50	- -	263	- -	37	- -
Repairs to lodge, gates and fencing, implements, &c.	500	- -	300	- -	731	- -	704	- -
Police attendance	330	- -	300	- -	330	- -	324	- -
Clothing and incidentals	50	- -	25	- -	130	- -	21	- -
Rates, taxes, tithes, gas and water	140	- -	115	- -	137	- -	132	- -
£	3,570	- -	2,590	- -	4,094	- -	3,048	- -
HAMPSTEAD-HEATH—								
Wages	650	- -	750	- -	623	- -	674	- -
Horse-hire, implements, &c.	100	- -	50	- -	100	- -	51	- -
Planting and sowing	20	- -	10	- -	11	- -	13	- -
Repairs to fencing, notice-boards, clothing and incidentals	130	- -	250	- -	124	- -	199	- -
Water	5	- -	5	- -	5	- -	5	- -
£	905	- -	1,065	- -	863	- -	942	- -
BLACKHEATH—								
Wages	500	- -	490	- -	670	- -	470	- -
Horse-hire, implements, &c.	100	- -	50	- -	175	- -	56	- -
Planting and sowing	25	- -	10	- -	24	- -	14	- -
Repairs to fences, cleaning ponds, &c.	20	- -	300	- -	60	- -	49	- -
Notice-boards, clothing and incidentals	50	- -	60	- -	44	- -	84	- -
Rates, water, &c.	30	- -	30	- -	24	- -	28	- -
£	725	- -	940	- -	997	- -	701	- -
HACKNEY - COMMONS—Consisting of London-fields, Well-street-common, Hackney-downs, Stoke Newington common, Clapton-common, North and South Mill-fields—								
Wages	1,200	- -	1,500	- -	1,008	- -	1,126	- -
Fencing, soil, horse-hire, repairs, implements, &c.	600	- -	500	- -	765	- -	451	- -
Planting and sowing	120	- -	150	- -	80	- -	165	- -
Notice-boards, clothing, and incidentals	200	- -	150	- -	190	- -	125	- -
Water and tithes	50	- -	40	- -	40	- -	41	- -
£	2,170	- -	2,340	- -	2,083	- -	1,908	- -
SHEPHERD'S-BUSH-COMMON—								
Wages	100	- -	95	- -	112	- -	89	- -
Planting and sowing	5	- -	5	- -	3	- -	...	- -
Repairs, fencing, &c.	20	- -	100	- -	142	- -	4	- -
Notice-boards, clothing, and incidentals	15	- -	30	- -	11	- -	12	- -
£	140	- -	230	- -	268	- -	105	- -

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COMMONS AND OPEN SPACES FOR THE YEAR 1886

SERVICE.	1886.		1885.			1884.		
	Estimate.		Estimate.	Expenditure. (approximate.)		Expenditure.		
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
TOOTING-COMMONS—								
Wages	575	—	550	—	576	—	563	—
Drainage, horse hire, repairs, implements, &c.	100	—	250	—	68	—	262	—
Planting and sowing	30	—	25	—	45	—	12	—
Clothing, notice-boards, and incidentals ...	60	—	70	—	37	—	102	—
Water	50	—	150	—	43	—	148	—
£	815	—	1,045	—	769	—	1,087	—
CLAPHAM-COMMON—								
Wages	550	—	550	—	555	—	568	—
Horse-hire, repairs, implements, &c. ...	120	—	280	—	107	—	167	—
Planting and sowing	30	—	25	—	38	—	16	—
Clothing, notice-boards, and incidentals ...	50	—	100	—	36	—	67	—
Water	50	—	100	—	97	—	91	—
£	800	—	1,055	—	833	—	909	—
BOSTALL-HEATH—								
Wages	190	—	190	—	196	—	186	—
Planting and sowing	10	—	10	—	8	—	16	—
Clothing, notice-boards, and incidentals ...	100	—	100	—	100	—	95	—
£	300	—	300	—	304	—	297	—
PLUMSTEAD-COMMON AND SHOULDER-OF-MUTTON GREEN—								
Wages	220	—	240	—	213	—	237	—
Repairs, &c.	100	—	50	—	120	—	56	—
Planting and sowing	15	—	15	—	12	—	17	—
Notice-boards, clothing, and incidentals ...	100	—	100	—	93	—	109	—
£	435	—	405	—	438	—	419	—
WORMWOOD-SCRUBS—								
Wages	350	—	250	—	400	—	255	—
Horse-hire, fencing, planting, notice-boards, clothing, &c.	150	—	150	—	167	—	93	—
£	500	—	400	—	567	—	348	—
EEL-BROOK-COMMON AND PARSON'S-GREEN	£	200	300	165	389	—	—	—
BROOK-GREEN	£	150	250	156	357	—	—	—
STREATHAM-COMMON	£	300	300	933	58	—	—	—
VICTORIA, ALBERT, AND CHELSEA-EMBANKMENT-GARDENS—								
Wages	900	—	900	—	904	—	891	—
Planting and sowing	50	—	50	—	28	—	48	—
Repairs to fences, implements, &c. ...	350	—	200	—	183	—	113	—
Police attendance	300	—	350	—	292	—	333	—
Notice-boards, clothing, and incidentals ...	100	—	100	—	90	—	105	—
Water	30	—	35	—	36	—	32	—
£	1,730	—	1,635	—	1,538	—	1,522	—
LEICESTER-SQUARE-GARDEN—								
Wages	85	—	80	—	84	—	72	—
Repairs, implements, planting, &c. ...	30	—	50	—	20	—	36	—
Police attendance	215	—	215	—	215	—	215	—
Gas and water	165	—	150	—	165	—	252	—
£	495	—	495	—	484	—	575	—
PECKHAM - RYE - COMMON, NUNHEAD-GREEN, GOOSE-GREEN, &c.	£	1,000	1,000	1,268	1,734	—	—	—
GENERAL INCIDENTALS, including salaries, &c., of officers engaged generally on parks and open spaces service, and of Superintendents of Parks, &c., and wages and clothing, &c., of Relief Constables	£	2,000	2,000	2,330	1,951	—	—	—
EXTRA EXPENDITURE UNDER ANY OF THE FOREGOING HEADS	£	500	500	...	...	—	—	—
Total	£	20,935	21,185	22,423	21,476	—	—	—

DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Under the Artizans and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Act of 1875 (38 and 39 Vic., cap. 36) it is obligatory upon the Board to establish this Fund, to which all receipts under the Act are to be carried, and all expenses charged. The money required to establish the Fund, and any deficiency arising from time to time are to be supplied either by money borrowed or "local rate," and the "local rate" is not the Board's Consolidated Rate, but a distinct portion of it, to which the City of London is not liable.

The deficiency chargeable on "local rate" in 1886, is in respect of the Interest and Sinking Fund of money borrowed. The total sum borrowed is £1,399,000, of which the amount outstanding is £1,245,200.

INTEREST AND SINKING FUND REQUIRED IN 1886.						Estimate for	Deficiency charged	
						1886.	1885.	1886.
						£ s. d.	£	£
Interest at 3½ per cent. on £825,847 8s. 2d. 30,969 5 7 3½ " £419,352 11s. 8d. 14,677 6 9 (£1,050 was charged on the Estimate for 1885 as Interest on £30,000, which it was estimated would be required; as it was not needed, no fresh amount is charged on 1886)								
						45,646 12 4	45,871	44,18
Sinking Fund one forty-fourth of £825,847 8s. 2d. 18,769 5 2 one fifty-fifth of £419,352 11s. 8d. 7,624 11 10						26,393 17 -	25,679	24,05
Deficiency chargeable on Rate						72,040 9 4	71,550	68,24

TOTAL ESTIMATES AND EXPENDITURE UP TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1885.							
SCHEME.	Confirming Act.	Estimate of cost as stated in Acts of Parliament (see adjoining columns for later Estimate).		Estimates from Report of the Architect.		Expenditure.	
		Gross.	Net.	Gross.	Net.	Amount paid to 31st Dec., 1885.	
		£	£	£	£	£	
Whitechapel and Limehouse ...	33-40 V., c. 200	110,500	54,400	161,557	128,057	156,070	
Whitechapel (Goulston Street and Flower and Dean Street)	40-41 V., c. 103	257,629	147,773	353,798	255,141	313,303	
St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark	40-41 V., c. 103	59,760	33,353	61,851	52,717	48,826	
St. Martin-in-the-Fields, and Strand District (Bedfordbury)	40-41 V., c. 103	86,535	63,995	84,299	75,413	75,368	
St. Giles-in-the-Fields, No. 1 (Great Wild Street)	40-41 V., c. 133	87,575	49,540	117,983	102,143	105,478	
Clerkenwell (Pear Tree Court) ...	40-41 V., c. 133	19,560	5,050	27,929	21,943	20,408	
St. Luke's (Whitecross Street) ...	40-41 V., c. 133	275,236	98,786	392,706	290,434	313,705	
Islington, No. 1 (High Street) ...	40-41 V., c. 133	22,265	7,960	42,130	35,113	38,187	
Westminster (Old Pye Street) ...	40-41 V., c. 133	64,900	5,830	78,598	50,804	49,867	
St. Marylebone (Bowman's Buildings)	41-42 V., c. 112	55,700	40,700	55,700	45,395	36,421	
Islington (Essex Road)	41-42 V., c. 112	120,600	77,100	116,417	87,693	97,613	
Westminster (Great Peter Street)	42-43 V., c. 79	11,000	7,500	11,000	10,000	712	
St. Giles and St. Pancras (Little Coram Street)	42-43 V., c. 79	81,350	58,890	79,036		13,907	
Poplar (Wells Street)	42-43 V., c. 79	78,826	71,047	78,368	70,589	64,233	
Holborn	...	...	...	...	...	1,729	
Tench Street	46-47 V., c. 94	35,100	28,100	...	...	30,645	
Brook Street	46-47 V., c. 95	20,000	18,480	...	...	10,521	
Windmill Row	46-47 V., c. 96	23,400	21,400	...	...	2,683	
Tratfalgar Road	46-47 V., c. 97	20,500	18,500	...	...	8,611	
Expended on Schemes generally, to be apportioned hereafter (including Hughes Fields and Tabard Street)	48-49 V., c. 99 & 100	93,100	77,100	...	...	5,789	
		1,558,536	885,504	1,651,372	1,225,442	1,394,976	

TESTING GAS AND GAS METERS; PETROLEUM; SUBWAYS; SLAUGHTERHOUSES AND EXPLOSIVES; INFANT LIFE PROTECTION; AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS).

SERVICE.	1886.		1885.		1884.
	Estimate.		Estimate.	Approximate result.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£
GAS TESTING—					
Examiners' salaries	1,680	- -	1,300	- -	1,314
Apparatus, chemicals, cleaning offices, &c. ...	420	- -	450	- -	535
	2,100	- -	1,750	- -	1,849
Less, returns from gas companies ...	260	- -	250	- -	253
	£ 1,840	- -	1,500	- -	1,596
GAS-METER TESTING—					
Salaries and wages	2,150	- -	2,000	- -	2,138
Coals and coke, gas, rent, rates and taxes, repairs, &c.	500	- -	500	- -	489
	2,650	- -	2,500	- -	2,627
Fees for testing meters	3,060	- -	2,800	- -	3,065
Surplus	£ 410	- -	300	- -	438
INSPECTION OF SUBWAYS—					
Inspector's wages and incidentals	92	- -	92	- -	89
Less, returns from gas companies ...	62	- -	47	- -	56
	£ 30	- -	45	- -	33
PETROLEUM LICENSES AND TESTING*	650	- -	650	- -	...
Less fees receivable	470	- -	500	- -	478
	£ 180	- -	150	- -	478 (Surplus)
SLAUGHTERHOUSES ACT, 1874, and EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES ACT, 1875	1,330	- -	1,300	- -	1,209
Less fees for registration	160	- -	150	- -	159
	1,170	- -	1,150	- -	1,050
INFANT LIFE PROTECTION ACT—					
Inspector's salary, advertisements, &c. ...	200	- -	175	- -	177
CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT—					
Compensation	2,000	- -	2,050	- -	1,750
Inspectors' allowances, salaries, advertisements, &c.	1,850	- -	1,410	- -	1,940
	3,850	- -	3,460	- -	3,690
Less, returns for carcasses sold	970	- -	1,000	- -	836
	£ 2,880	- -	2,460	- -	2,854

* This service was in 1884 performed by Officers in the Clerk's and Chemical Departments and by the Inspectors in the Sanitary branch; the salaries and travelling expenses of the Officers engaged under that branch have in the Estimates for 1885 and 1886 been apportioned to the following services, viz.—Petroleum, Slaughterhouses and Explosives, and Contagious diseases (Animals).

THEATRES AND MUSIC HALLS; AND DANGEROUS STRUCTURES.

SERVICE.	1886.		1885.		1884.
	Estimate.		Estimate.	Approximate result.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£
THEATRES AND MUSIC-HALLS—					
Surveyors' wages and other charges	1,300	- -	1,200	- -	1,300
DANGEROUS STRUCTURES—					
Salaries and wages, &c.	1,400	- -	1,400	- -	1,376
Fees for summonses and orders, travelling expenses, &c.	300	- -	350	- -	128
Hoarding and shoring	1,600	- -	1,700	- -	1,982
Surveyors' fees	2,200	- -	2,700	- -	2,905
	5,500	- -	6,150	- -	6,391
Less, returns	3,700	- -	4,800	- -	5,186
	£ 1,800	- -	1,350	- -	1,205

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ESTABLISHMENT AND ORDINARY LAW AND PARLIAMENTARY CHARGES.

(For statement of total establishment see next page).

SERVICE.				1886.	1885.		1884.																												
				Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure. (approximate).	Expenditure.																												
				£	£	£	£																												
SALARIES, WAGES, &c., NOT SPECIALLY CHARGE- ABLE TO OTHER ACCOUNTS=																																			
The Chairman				2,000	2,000																														
Number of Officers whose salaries are not charged to any special account. <table><tr><th>1886.</th><th>1885.</th><th>1884.</th><td></td></tr><tr><td>52</td><td>46</td><td>55</td><td>Clerk's department and General service ...</td></tr><tr><td>25</td><td>25</td><td>25</td><td>Accountant's department</td></tr><tr><td>51</td><td>62</td><td>63</td><td>Engineer's ..</td></tr><tr><td>33</td><td>31</td><td>30</td><td>Architect's ..</td></tr><tr><td>46</td><td>46</td><td>46</td><td>Solicitor's ..</td></tr><tr><td>207</td><td>210</td><td>219</td><td>... ..</td></tr></table>				1886.	1885.	1884.		52	46	55	Clerk's department and General service ...	25	25	25	Accountant's department	51	62	63	Engineer's ..	33	31	30	Architect's ..	46	46	46	Solicitor's ..	207	210	219					
1886.	1885.	1884.																																	
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51	62	63	Engineer's ..																																
33	31	30	Architect's ..																																
46	46	46	Solicitor's ..																																
207	210	219																																	
Chemical ..				1,939	1,130																														
				53,230	51,598	54,320	53,533																												
Auditor				150	150	150	150																												
Law stationers				1,500	1,500	1,420	1,431																												
				54,880	53,248	55,890	55,114																												
Less proportion chargeable to special accounts				27,505	27,448	28,810	28,955																												
				27,375	25,800	27,080	26,159																												
ORDINARY LAW AND PARLIAMENTARY EX- PENSES				9,000	10,000	11,600	*16,649																												
Less proportion chargeable to special accounts				3,330	3,500	4,290	3,432																												
				5,670	6,500	7,310	13,217																												
PRINTING, STATIONERY, LITHOGRAPHY, MATHE- MATICAL INSTRUMENTS, MAPS, &c.				7,000	7,100	6,740	6,726																												
Less proportion chargeable to special accounts				2,590	2,485	2,494	2,489																												
				4,410	4,615	4,246	4,237																												
RENT, TAXES, OFFICE REPAIRS AND EXPENSES, POSTAGE, AND PETTY INCIDENTALS... ..				6,000	5,500	5,895	6,616																												
Less proportion chargeable to special accounts				2,220	1,905	2,181	2,448																												
				3,780	3,595	3,714	4,168																												
TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES... ..				41,235	40,510	42,350	47,781																												
RECEIPTS— Sale of plans, &c., under Building Act, and for Professional work on plans submitted with a view to loans under Money Acts...				500	500	500	500																												
NET ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES... ..				40,735	40,010	41,850	47,281																												

*This sum contains charges in respect of Metropolitan Railway ventilators and Thames River pollution inquiry.

ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES—(continued).

DEPARTMENTS, &c.	Number of Officers, &c.			Amount of Salaries, &c., per annum.		Chargeable directly to special accounts, not passed through establishment charges.			Charged to establishment charges, and afterwards apportioned.							
	Paid quarterly or monthly.	Paid weekly.	Total.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	Account.	Amount.	Number.						
										Quarterly or monthly.	Weekly.					
THE CHAIRMAN	1	...	1	...	£	s. d.	2,000	-	...	...	1	...	£	s. d.	2,000	-
CLERK'S DEPARTMENT—																
Office	21	10	31	6,947	-	...	...	General	318	-	...	10	...	6,947	-	...
Parks and open spaces	1	...	1	318	-	...	...	Do.	1,025	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Special purposes and sanitary ...	6	...	6	1,025	-	...	8,290	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
ACCOUNTANTS' DEPARTMENT—																
Office	24	1	25	6,295	-	...	...	General	109	-	...	1	...	6,295	-	...
Dangerous structures	...	2	2	109	-	...	6,404	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT—																
Office	30	21	51	14,484	-	...	...	General	11,237	-	...	21	...	14,484	-	...
Pumping stations	8	123	131	11,237	-	...	...	Do.	3,262	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Sluice and flap-keepers	5	36	41	3,262	-	...	...	Do.	491	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Clerks of works, &c.	...	3	3	491	-	...	...				...	...	...	...	-	...
Flushing inspectors, foremen and men	5	144	149	11,021	-	...	...	Do.	11,021	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Embankments	...	4	4	442	-	...	...	Do.	442	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Main drainage	...	30	30	4,000	-	...	...	Main Dge.	4,000	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Bridges	1	9	10	2,120	-	...	...	Bridges	2,120	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Thames floods prevention	...	4	4	780	-	...	47,837	-	...	780	-	...	...	...	-	...
SUPERINTENDING ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT—																
Building acts and improvements	23	10	33	8,512	-	...	...	General	570	-	...	10	...	8,512	-	...
Parks and open spaces	2	...	2	570	-	...	...	Fire Brigade	1,594	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Fire brigade stations, &c.	4	3	7	1,594	-	...	...	General	1,091	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Theatres, &c.	1	3	4	1,091	-	...	...	Do.	1,120	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Dangerous structures	6	1	7	1,130	-	...	...	Sundry	1,758	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Watchmen	...	25	25	1,758	-	...	...	Bridges	445	-	...	...	...	...	-	...
Bridges	...	4	4	445	-	...	...				...	...	...	...	-	...
SOLICITOR'S DEPARTMENT	36	10	46	...		...	15,100	-	...	...	...	36	...	15,100	-	...
CHEMICAL DEPARTMENT	3	6	9	...		...	11,703	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
GENERAL SERVICE	2	19	21	...		...	1,939	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
FIRE BRIGADE	6	664	670	...		...	1,350	-	...	...	...	2	...	1,350	-	...
GAS-METER TESTING	3	18	21	...		...	54,882	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
GAS-TESTING	12	1	13	...		...	2,212	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
INSPECTION OF SUBWAYS	...	1	1	...		...	1,425	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
INSPECTORS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES	...	...	...	...		...	78	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
AND SANITARY SERVICE	9	...	9	...		...	1,600	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
PARKS AND OPEN SPACES	2	144	146	...		...	10,447	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
INFANT LIFE PROTECTION	1	1	1	...		...	185	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS ...	...	1	1	...		...	218	-	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	...
	212	1,297	1,509	£		£	165,670	-	...	...	...	137	...	114,379	-	51,291

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COMPENSATION AND RETIRING ALLOWANCE TO LATE OFFICERS, &c.

No. of Persons.			To whom granted.	1886.	1885.		1884.
1886	1885	1884		Estimate.	Estimate.	Expenditure.	Expenditure.
				£	£	£	£
13	14	11	Officers of the Board ...	1,350	1,375	1,385	1,305
1	1	1	Officers of late Metropolitan Buildings Office... ..	90	90	90	90
14	15	12		1,440	1,465	1,475	1,395

GENERAL ACCOUNT.**DEFICIENCY IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1884.**

Net Asset on the General working account of the Board, on 31st December, 1884 ...	£37,853	11	-
Add, Deficiency in respect of the year 1883, raised in 1885	11,707	16	10
	£49,561	7	10
Charges admitted after that date, as appertaining to 1884	29,158	2	2
Net balance, after defraying expenses of the year 1884	£20,403	5	8
DEFICIENCY, being the sum by which the balance falls short of £60,000, which is the working balance of the General account	£39,596	14	4

The difference arises under several heads, viz—Expenses connected with Deodorising and experiments with sewage, at Outfalls, £42,315; erection of Hydrants, £3,078; District Railway ventilators, £1,427; Thames Crossings, £6,165; Parks and Open Spaces, £1,709; Theatres and Music-halls, £299; and General purposes, £237. Total, £55,230. Against which, may be taken, Excess of estimate beyond expenditure, for Sewerage and drainage works and Pumping-stations, £10,448; Thames-embankments, £1,735; New roads by Finsbury Park, £309; Dangerous structures, £110; Gas-meter testing, £326; and under Contagious diseases (animals) Act, £1,846. Total, £14,774. The difference between the balance of these sums and the amount shown above arises out of a small increase or decrease of outlay for other services.

NOTE.—The deficiency in respect of the year 1883, charged in the Estimate for
1885 was £11,707 16 10

FIRE BRIGADE.*(Exclusive of Interest on Money borrowed, which is provided for in the Consolidated Loans Fund.)*

ESTIMATE 1883.					1885.				1884.				
					Estimate.		Approximate Result.		Expenditure and Income.				
					£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.			
AMOUNTS PAYABLE—													
STAFF—													
Salaries and Wages	...	...	...	...	56,000	- -	...	56,100	- -	55,667	- -		
Men's clothing	...	...	...	...	5,200	- -	...	5,200	- -	5,157	- -		
Pensions	...	...	...	...	3,847	- -	...	£,830	- -	3,220	- -		
Medical officers	...	...	...	...	760	- -	...	770	- -	758	- -		
					65,807		- -						
STATIONS—													
Maintenance	...	...	...	...	3,000	- -	...	4,500	- -	3,067	- -		
Rents (less amount deducted from men's wages)	...	...	...	...	1,600	- -	...	1,900	- -	1,586	- -		
Rates, taxes, insurance, and gas	...	...	...	...	8,000	- -	...	7,800	- -	7,538	- -		
					12,600		- -						
ENGINES, FUEL, &c.—													
Maintenance of engines, floats, and escapes	...	...	...	...	12,500	- -	...	12,000	- -	12,438	- -		
Horse-hire	...	...	...	...	10,000	- -	...	10,000	- -	9,551	- -		
Coals, coke, oil, &c.	...	...	...	...	5,000	- -	...	5,000	- -	4,973	- -		
Telegraph hire	...	...	...	...	5,500	- -	...	4,500	- -	5,103	- -		
Fire-plug, &c., indicators	...	...	...	...	1,000	- -	...	1,000	- -	1,466	- -		
					34,000		- -						
MISCELLANEOUS—													
Expenses at fires	...	...	...	...	3,000	- -	...	2,500	- -	2,980	- -		
Establishment charges	...	...	...	...	1,550	- -	...	1,500	- -	1,544	- -		
Incidental (including stationery, printing, travelling and petty disbursements)	...	...	...	...	2,260	- -	...	2,200	- -	2,258	- -		
Summonses and part expenses of collecting chimney-fire penalties.	...	...	...	...	210	- -	...	200	- -	208	- -		
					7,020		- -						
EXTRA EXPENDITURE UNDER ANY OF THE FOREGOING HEADS					...	3,000	- -	3,000	- -				
					122,427	- -	121,000	- -	117,514	- -	120,125	- -	
DEFICIENCY IN RESPECT OF FORMER YEARS					...	21,303	- -	22,399	- -	25,761	- -		
					143,730	- -	143,399	- -	143,275	- -			
Amount not raised owing to limitation in Act of Parliament					...	27,783	15 2	31,859	5 4				
					115,946	4 10	111,539	14 8					
AMOUNTS RECEIVABLE—													
CONTRIBUTIONS—													
H.M. Government	...	...	...	...	10,000	- -	...	10,000	- -	10,000	- -		
Insurance offices	...	...	...	...	26,039	- -	...	25,377	- -	25,377	- -		
EX-METROPOLITAN FIRES	...	...	...	...	80	- -	...	100	- -	80	- -		
WATCHING PREMISES	...	...	...	...	1,600	- -	...	1,850	- -	1,601	- -		
CHIMNEY-FIRE PENALTIES	...	...	...	...	811	- -	...	835	- -	811	- -		
MISCELLANEOUS	...	...	...	...	70	- -	...	200	- -	70	- -		
					38,600		- -	38,362	- -	37,939	- -		
Transfers from General Working Account under Act, in respect of 1884 and 1883					...	...	...			10,854	15 7		
										48,793	15 7		
Net cost, on rate					...	...	73,177	14 8	94,481	4 5	75,680	- 4	

Metropolitan Board of Works.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS which will become due from INSURANCE COMPANIES towards the
Expense of Maintaining the METROPOLITAN FIRE BRIGADE for the year 1886.

	Name of Insurance Company.	Business done in the year 1884 as per Certified Returns in form prescribed by the Board.	Amount of Yearly Contribution at £35 per million.
		£	£ s. d.
1	Alliance	22,556,553	789 9 8
2	Atlas	22,361,922	782 13 4
3	Co-operative	171,589	6 - -
4	Caledonian... ..	1,750,000	61 5 -
5	Church of England	1,476,622	51 13 8
6	Commercial Union	26,323,461	921 6 8
7	City of London	4,500,000	157 10 -
8	County	48,372,004	1693 - 4
9	Emperor	357,171	12 10 -
10	Equitable	3,037,263	106 6 -
11	Essex and Suffolk	8,860	- 6 -
12	General	11,932,177	417 12 8
13	Guardian	21,551,439	754 6 -
14	Hand-in-Hand	16,844,000	589 11 -
15	Imperial	26,835,283	939 4 8
16	Kent	3,342,950	117 - -
17	Lancashire... ..	7,807,700	273 5 4
18	Law	49,580,554	1,735 6 4
19	Law Union	9,786,452	342 10 8
20	Lion	2,387,462	83 11 4
21	Liverpool and London and Globe	37,930,433	1,327 11 -
22	London	21,293,127	745 5 4
23	London and Lancashire	8,057,010	282 - -
24	Magdeburg... ..	499,925	17 10 -
25	Manchester	6,364,193	222 15 -
26	Midland Counties	322,631	11 5 8
27	Mutual	3,668,852	128 8 4
28	National	3,837,056	134 6 -
29	National of Ireland... ..	1,000,000	35 - -
30	North British and Mercantile	42,401,895	1,484 1 4
31	Northern	15,742,600	550 19 8
32	Norwich Union	13,561,227	474 13 -
33	Patriotic	12,200	- 8 4
34	Phoenix	72,608,119	2,541 5 8
35	Queen	9,250,750	323 15 8
36	Royal	34,023,337	1,190 16 4
37	Royal Exchange	31,996,675	1,119 17 8
38	Royal Farmers' and General... ..	2,065,538	72 6 -
39	Salop	46,450	1 12 4
40	Scottish Provincial	1,500,000	52 10 -
41	Scottish Union and National	6,361,480	222 13 -
42	Shropshire and North Wales	33,217	1 3 4
43	Sun	79,207,031	2,772 5 -
44	Union	22,661,989	793 3 4
45	Westminster	28,364,217	992 15 -
46	West of England	5,883,771	205 18 8
47	Yorkshire	1,512,910	52 19 -
48	Brighton and Sussex	25,710	- 18 -
49	Fire Insurance	7,802,450	273 1 8
50	Hamburg Bremen	21,750	- 15 4
51	John Bull	38,064	1 6 8
52	London and County	405,000	14 3 8
53	London and Provincial	3,785,000	132 9 8
54	Amicable	8,790	- 6 4
55	Les Assurances Belges Cie.	57,690	2 - 4
56	Patria Belgica of Brussels	52,192	1 16 8
57	South British and National and Adelaide... ..	500,000	17 10 -
58	Svea of Gothenburg	13,700	- 9 8
59	National Insurance Society of Toulouse	58,802	2 - 4
		£743,959,243	£26,038 11 8

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RATEABLE ANNUAL VALUE (subject to alteration on Appeals).

AND RATEABLE VALUE OF PROPERTY within the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Board of Works, with exemptions under the Acts 38 and 39 Vic., c. 33, as taken from the Valuation Lists prepared under the Act of 1869; and from the County Rate Bases of the Metropolitan Counties, &c.

PARISHES, DISTRICTS &c.	As per Valuation List, April, 1886.		Exemptions under Acts 38 and 39 Vic. c., 33.		Annual Value, after allowing Exemptions.		Increases since December, 1886, Amounts marked (— are Decreases.	Percentage each Parish bears to the total Rateable Value.	Government Property.	
	Gross Value.	Rateable Value.	Gross Value.	Rateable Value.	Gross Value.	Rateable Value.			Included in Valuation List. Rateable Value.	Excluded from Valuation List. Rateable Value.
	£	£	£	£	£	£				
CITY OF LONDON	4,465,352	3,716,428			4,465,352	3,716,428				
Aylebone	1,705,081	1,424,162			1,705,081	1,424,162				
Alders	1,902,442	1,581,823	2,373	2,214	1,900,069	1,579,609				
Aldgate	1,801,084	1,461,540	2,188	2,094	1,798,896	1,459,446				
George, Hanover Square	2,080,440	1,742,101			2,080,440	1,742,101				
Aldgate, Islington	1,936,153	1,604,111	753	735	1,935,400	1,603,376				
Aldgate, Shoreditch... ..	792,092	647,740			792,092	647,740				
Aldgate	1,514,099	1,272,976	318	308	1,513,781	1,272,668				
Aldgate, Bethnal Green	489,450	398,907			489,450	398,907				
Aldgate, Newington, Surrey	556,858	448,383			556,858	448,383				
Aldgate, Newington	1,216,549	986,664	1,028	969	1,215,521	985,695				
Aldgate, Westminster	831,835	694,201			831,835	694,201				
Aldgate and St. John, Clerkenwell	420,972	350,380			420,972	350,380				
Aldgate	701,759	589,364			701,759	589,364				
Aldgate, Kensington	2,154,278	1,806,599	718	678	2,152,560	1,805,921				
Aldgate, Middlesex	356,150	291,050			356,150	291,050				
Aldgate-the-Martyr, Southwark	326,343	262,498	150	150	326,193	262,348				
Aldgate	504,289	400,921			504,289	400,921				
Aldgate-in-the-East	236,797	188,940			236,797	188,940				
Aldgate-in-the-Fields	559,961	467,236			559,961	467,236				
Aldgate of Mile-end Old-town	458,730	363,357			458,730	363,357				
Aldgate	181,301	139,798	3,641	2,610	177,660	137,188				
Aldgate	254,387	205,250	137	124	254,250	205,126				
Aldgate, Hampstead	674,380	560,599	2,642	2,415	671,738	558,184				
Aldgate	409,853	336,674	3,225	2,894	406,628	333,780				
Aldgate	586,027	481,909	1,488	1,232	584,539	480,677				
	22,631,310	18,707,183	18,661	16,423	22,632,649	18,690,760				
(St. Mary, Whitechapel (exclud- ing that part in the City)	210,565	173,179			210,565	173,179				
Christchurch, Spitalfields	93,393	76,641			93,393	76,641				
St. Botolph Without, Aldgate (see also City)	53,357	44,422			53,357	44,422				
Holy Trinity, Minories	9,925	8,281			9,925	8,281				
Precinct of St. Katherine	21,072	17,567			21,072	17,567				
Hamlet of Mile-end New-town	39,419	31,108			39,419	31,108				
Liberty of Norton Folgate	13,585	11,163			13,585	11,163				
Old Artillery Ground	9,936	8,261			9,936	8,261				
District of the Tower	6,381	5,333			6,381	5,333				
	457,623	375,955			457,633	375,955				
(St. Margaret	806,363	668,144			806,363	668,144				
(St. John the Evangelist... ..										
St. Paul, Deptford (including Hatcham)	523,279	422,526	1,195	1,132	522,084	421,394				
St. Nicholas, Deptford	67,386	52,630			67,386	52,620				
Greenwich	309,836	247,562	1,708	1,641	308,128	245,921				
	900,501	722,708	2,903	2,773	897,598	719,935				
Clapham	300,017	246,256	2,694	2,539	297,323	243,717				
Tooting Graveney	29,538	23,960	1,220	1,124	28,318	22,836				
Streatham	321,972	262,198	4,324	4,058	317,648	258,140				
St. Mary Battersea (excluding Penge)	791,354	631,419	1,262	1,073	790,092	630,346				
Wandsworth	273,861	217,894	4,913	4,628	268,948	213,266				
Putney (including Roehampton)... ..	157,215	129,581	4,090	3,770	153,125	125,811				
	1,873,957	1,511,308	18,503	17,192	1,855,454	1,494,116				
Hackney	1,131,243	916,941	16,836	14,653	1,114,407	902,288				
St. Mary, Stoke Newin	212,155	173,741	13,949	11,757	198,206	161,984				
	1,343,398	1,090,682	30,785	26,410	1,312,613	1,064,272				
St. Giles-in-the-Fields	457,928	382,370			457,928	382,370				
St. George, Bloomsbury										
St. Andrew, Holborn, above Bars... ..	245,420	205,961			245,420	205,961				
St. George-the-Martyr										
St. Sepulchre, Middlesex	50,047	42,325			50,047	42,325				
Saffron Hill, &c. (excluding that part in the City)	90,921	74,520			90,921	74,520				
Liberty of Glasshouse Yard (excluding that part in the City)	11,934	9,775			11,934	9,775				
	398,322	332,581			398,322	332,581				
Carried forward	33,354,764	27,507,359	70,852	62,798	33,283,912	27,444,561				

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PARISHES, DISTRICTS, &c.	As per Valuation List, April, 1886.		Exemptions under Acts 38 & 39 Viet., c. 33.		Annual Value, after allowing exemptions.		Increase since December, 1886. Amounts marked) are Decreases.	Percentage each Parish bears to the total Rateable Value.	Government Property.	
	Gross Value.	Rateable Value.	Gross Value.	Rateable Value.	Gross Value.	Rateable Value.			Included in Valuation List. Rateable Value.	Excluded from Valuation List. Rateable Value.
	£	£	£	£	£	£				
Brought forward	33,354,764	27,507,359	70,852	62,798	33,283,912	27,444,561				
{ St. Anne, Soho	145,364	120,531			145,364	120,531				
{ St. Paul, Covent Garden	108,787	90,701			108,787	90,701				
{ Precinct of the Savoy	20,962	17,563			20,962	17,563				
{ St. Mary-le-Strand	47,398	39,787			47,398	39,787				
{ St. Clement Danes	197,949	165,477			197,949	165,477				
{ Liberty of the Rolls	48,088	40,266			48,088	40,266				
	568,548	474,325			568,548	474,325				
{ St. Anne, Limehouse	168,774	132,805			168,774	132,805				
{ St. John, Wapping	81,024	61,683			81,024	61,683				
{ St. Paul, Shadwell	68,055	51,111			68,055	51,111				
{ Hamlet of Ratcliff	80,280	64,745			80,280	64,745				
	398,133	310,344			398,133	310,344				
{ All Saints, Poplar	463,516	338,641			463,516	338,641				
{ St. Mary, Stratford-le-Bow	188,737	147,414			188,737	147,414				
{ St. Leonard, Bromley	296,330	226,489			296,330	226,489				
	948,583	712,544			948,583	712,544				
{ Christchurch	126,142	104,590			126,142	104,590				
{ St. Saviour (including Liberty of the Clink)	270,263	221,182			270,263	221,182				
	396,405	325,772			396,405	325,772				
{ Charlton, next Woolwich	70,973	56,225	2,628	2,165	68,345	54,060				
{ Plumstead	142,132	109,360	4,604	4,181	137,528	105,179				
{ Eltham	56,306	47,375	6,202	5,844	50,104	41,531				
{ Lee	158,586	131,605	1,271	1,196	157,315	130,409				
{ Kidbrooke	26,341	21,839	1,232	1,144	25,109	20,695				
	454,338	366,404	15,937	14,530	438,401	351,874				
{ Lewisham (including Lewis-ham Chapelry)	548,766	450,397	7,405	6,895	541,361	443,502				
{ Hamlet of Penge	199,453	165,375			199,453	165,375				
	748,219	615,772	7,405	6,895	740,814	608,877				
{ St. Olave	123,641	102,864			123,641	102,864				
{ St. Thomas, Southwark	17,912	14,962			17,912	14,962				
{ St. John, Horselydown	94,065	75,291			94,065	75,291				
	235,618	193,117			235,618	193,117				
{ Carter House	9,280	7,949			9,280	7,949				
{	19,240	16,067			19,240	16,067				
{ ... of the Collegiate Church of	4,830	4,034			4,830	4,034				
{ St. Peter	27,146	22,717			27,146	22,717				
{ Temple	16,666	13,875			16,666	13,875				
{	23,457	19,608			23,457	19,608				
{	3,129	2,587			3,129	2,587				
{	4,649	3,872			4,649	3,872				
	108,397	90,709			108,397	90,709				
TOTAL	37,213,005	30,596,346	94,194	84,223	37,118,811	30,512,123				
{ District of the Hornsey Local Board for the purpose of assessment to the main Drainage portion of the Board's annual Expenditure; and also for a main Drainage Rate under 34 and 35 (Act. c. 129.)	297,759	244,755			297,759	244,755				
{ Hornsey do.	109,410	89,930			109,410	89,930				
{ Benham Sewerage District	55,487	44,010			55,487	44,010				
	462,656	378,695			462,656	378,695				
TOTAL	37,675,661	30,975,041	94,194	84,223	37,581,467	30,890,818				



Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the sums required for the year 1886, in respect of interest on Loans obtained by the Board for General Improvements, prior to the passing of the Loans Act, amounting to £12,466 10s., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the figures on pages 7 to 27 of the Estimates, relating to the Consolidated Loans Fund, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimates for the year 1886 of the Consolidated Loans Fund, amounting to £353,000, be approved and adopted; and that £150,066 19s. 7d. be charged for Interest and Sinking Fund of Stock raised for Main Drainage; £22,613 5s. 10d. for Interest and Sinking Fund of Stock raised for Fire Brigade; and £180,319 14s. 7d. for Interest and Sinking Fund on the remainder of the Stock raised for General Improvements, &c.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for Bank management of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, amounting to £10,200, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for Bridge expenses, amounting to £108,003, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, under the Artizans and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875 (the Dwelling House Improvement Fund), amounting to £72,040 9s. 4d. be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the sums required by the Board for the year 1886, for works of construction, repairs, cleansing, deodorising, ventilation, and incidental expenses, in connection with the Sewerage of the Metropolis, including the wages of Inspectors, Flushers, and other men employed by the Board, amounting together to £29,315, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amounts required by the Board for the year 1886, for the working expenses of the Pumping Stations belonging to the Board, viz., £51,860, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the sums required to be raised by the Board for the year 1886, for deodorising at outlets, viz., £45,500, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amounts required by the Board for the year 1886, for repairs, cleansing, lighting, watering and maintenance of the Thames Embankments, viz., £10,900, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the sums required by the Board for the year 1886, for the maintenance of Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces, viz., £20,935, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for expenses of testing Gas, viz., £2,100, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for the expenses of Gas-meter testing, viz., £2,650, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for expenses in connection with the inspection of Subways, viz., £92, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on [the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required for expenses in connection with Petroleum licensing and testing, viz., £650, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for expenses under the Slaughterhouses and Explosive Substances Acts, viz., £1,330, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for expenses under the Infant Life Protection Act, viz., £200, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for expenses under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, viz., £3,850, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for expenses connected with arrangements for the safety of Theatres and Music-halls, viz., £1,300, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount required by the Board for the year 1886, for expenses in connection with Dangerous Structures, viz., £5,500, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the sums required by the Board for the year 1886, for Salaries, Wages, ordinary Law and Parliamentary expenses, Printing, Stationery, Rent, Taxes, &c., and Compensation and Retiring Allowances to late Officers, amounting (after the deductions specified in the Estimate), to the respective sums of £27,375, £5,670, £4,410, £3,780 and £1,440, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the sum of £39,596 14s. 4d., being the deficiency on the General Working Account in respect of the year 1884, be raised in the Precepts for 1886.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the amount to be raised for the year 1886, for the working expenses of the Fire Brigade, viz., £77,346 4s. 10d., or such sum as will be equivalent to the produce of a halfpenny rate upon the gross value of the property in the Metropolis on the 6th April next, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate of the total charge for the year 1886, amounting to £891,509 18s. 6d., less deductions to be made hereafter, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the following sums, amounting to £9,182, be deducted from the above-mentioned Estimate of £891,509 18s. 6d., viz.—

Gas Companies, expenses returned for testing Gas	...	£260	0	0
Fees for testing Gas-meters	... ..	3,060	0	0
Gas Companies, for inspecting Subways...	... ..	62	0	0
Petroleum Licenses	... ..	470	0	0
Fees for Registration of Slaughterhouses and Explosives	...	160	0	0
Sale of Carcases under Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act...	...	970	0	0
Dangerous Structures, Expenses recoverable	... ..	3,700	0	0
Building Act Fees, sale of Plans, &c.	... ..	500	0	0
		<u>£9,182</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimate

of the sums required to be raised from the several Parishes, Districts, &c., for the year 1886, amounting to £882,327 18s. 6d., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the Estimates for the Consolidated Loans Fund, the Dwelling House Improvement Fund, and Bridge expenses be submitted to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, for their sanction in respect of the charges for debt.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben—That the several sums agreed to this day, for the expenses of the Board for the year 1886, be apportioned on the City of London, and the several Parishes and Parts liable thereto, on the Rentals of the County and other Rates, in force on the 6th of April next; and that, in making such apportionment, no part of the expenses connected with the Gas Acts relating to testing Meters, the Explosives Act, and the Artizans and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875, be charged upon the City of London; that such apportionment be submitted to the Board; that, previously thereto, a copy thereof be transmitted to each Member of the Board; that Precepts, in accordance therewith, be prepared; and that the Precepts be made payable in the manner following—viz., one moiety on or before the 1st July, 1886, and the remainder on or before the 1st December, 1886.

- 37.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. E. Smith, Clerk to the Westminster District Board, dated 12th March, 1886, suggesting the desirability of an Improvement being effected at Park-place, Knightsbridge, and of a better approach to Hyde-park being formed at that spot, as shown on the Plan accompanying the Letter, stating that the Leases of several properties shown on the Plan would shortly expire, and an opportunity would then occur of acquiring the Freehold; and expressing a hope that either the Board or Her Majesty's Office of Works might be able to take up the Improvement.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

- 38.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Searle, Clerk to the New River Company, dated 12th March, 1886, stating that a constant supply of Water had been introduced in Shelton-street, Drury-lane, and asking for the instructions of the Board as to the number and position of the Fire Hydrants to be fixed.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer and Captain Shaw do report to the Committee thereon.

- 39.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. L. Pemberton, Home Office, dated 12th March, 1886, stating, in reply to the Board's Letter, that the Home Secretary was in communication with the Treasury, and was giving careful consideration to the proposals of the Board with respect to their application for powers to oppose private Bills in Parliament.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

- 40.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. Crowne, Clerk to the Tottenham Local Board of Health, dated 15th March 1886, asking to be furnished with a dozen or twenty copies of the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee on the subject of the disposal of the Sewage of the Metropolis, which he would be pleased to pay for.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

- 41.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Jebb, Clerk to the Metropolitan Asylums' Board, dated 16th March, 1886, conveying the best thanks of the Managers

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to this Board for their courtesy in having permitted the Managers to hold their Ordinary Meetings in the Board-room at Spring-gardens during the past three years.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Parish of St. Pancras.

Guardians' Offices—Vestry Hall, Pancras-road,
London, 12th March, 1886.

SIR,—Reverting to my letter of the 23rd December last, I am now directed by the Guardians of the Poor of this Parish to make application to your Board for a Loan of £2,000, for expenditure in respect of the erection, fitting up, and furnishing of additional Workhouse buildings.

I enclose herewith a copy of the Order of the Local Government Board authorising the proposed Loan, and a copy of the Resolutions by the Guardians at their Meeting held on the 21st January last in this behalf.

I am instructed to state that the Guardians would be glad to obtain the amount, if possible, before Lady-day next, and at the usual rate of interest of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) ALFRED A. MILLWARD,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. E. Smith, Clerk to the Westminster District Board, dated 16th March, 1866, adverting to the Letter from the District Board of the 19th January last, and requesting this Board to make such provision in their Various Powers Bill of next Session as would authorise the formation by the Board of approaches to the Charing-cross Foot-bridge on the level from the Strand.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Chelsea,
Vestry-hall, King's-road, S.W.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry to make application to your Board for sanction to borrow the sum of £7,000 for the purpose of carrying out certain wood-paving works this Parish; and, in the event of your Board granting such permission, I am further to ask them to advance the Vestry a Loan to the amount and for the purpose named, the Loan to be repaid by equal annual instalments covering seven years.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. EISELL SALWAY,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Bridger, Clerk to the Vestry of Hampstead, dated 16th March, 1886, forwarding copies of Resolutions of the Vestry, requesting, in connection with the Hampstead Improvements, to be informed of any proposed Plans for the disposal or appropriation of any portion of the ground purchased, so soon as they were arranged, and before they were adopted, in order that the Vestry might

make any suggestions thereon which they might deem desirable, and suggesting the advisability of giving more publicity in the case of all future sales of old materials.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

46. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Jones, Clerk to the Fulham District Board, dated 17th March, 1886, urging upon this Board the necessity for carrying the new and improved line of frontage of the King-street, Hammersmith, Improvement, up to and abutting upon the District Board's Offices, as it would, in the opinion of the District Board, shortly be necessary to widen Brook-green-road by an Improvement on the East side; and asking that the Vestry of Hammersmith might have the option of the purchase of the whole of the surplus land that would remain between the Broadway House and the Hammersmith-road, so as to provide a site for the extension of the present Offices.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. D. O. Bridgeman, dated 13th March, 1886, transmitting two papers by the late Mr. R. Dover, on the subject of the treatment of the Sewage of the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Bridgeman be thanked for his Letter.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

School Board for London,
Victoria Embankment, W.C.,
18th March, 1886.

LOAN £100,000.

SIR,—I am directed by the School Board for London to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works and to ask that, having regard to Section 58 of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, that they will advance to the School Board for London a further sum of £100,000; the re-payment to spread over a period of 50 years.

I beg leave to forward an extract from the Minutes of the Board at which the Resolution to borrow the money was passed.

The consents for the Loan shall follow in the course of to-morrow.

The Board propose to take up the money on Friday, April 16th, next.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,	I am, &c.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,	(Signed) G. H. CROAD.
Spring-gardens, S.W.	Clerk of the Board.

SCHOOL BOARD FOR LONDON.

(Extract from Minutes.)

At a meeting of the School Board for London holden in the Board Room of the Offices of the Board on the Victoria Embankment, on Thursday, the 18th day of March, 1886, RESOLVED, on the motion of George White, Esq., B.A., LL.B.—

"1.—That the Board borrow a further sum of £100,000 from the Metropolitan Board of Works; and that the Finance Committee be authorised to arrange for the date, when the money shall be received."

Certified to be a true extract.

(Signed) E. H. BRAMLEY,
Minuting Clerk.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Dubois, Reid and Williams, dated 18th March, 1886, acknowledging the receipt of the Board's Letter of the 17th instant, with reference to their application for a Certificate in respect of the Occidental Theatre, in the Strand; submitting for consideration the circumstances of the case, and requesting

an interview with the Committee of the Board for the purpose of ascertaining what alterations or amendments were required by the Board, and stating that if their request were refused they would apply for a Writ of Mandamus to compel the Board to grant a Certificate.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and to confer with the parties, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee on the subject.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from the Greenwich Vestry, dated 19th March, 1886, expressing their hope that the Board would oppose the application to Parliament by the London, Chatham and Dover Railway Company, for an extension of time, until the year 1889, for completing their Railway in the Parish of Greenwich, so that the time might be limited to the end of the year 1887.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report.

51. Mr. Selway handed in a Letter from the Vestry of Newington, dated 19th March, 1886, stating that buildings were in course of erection in York-mews, York-street, Walworth, and asking the Board to take steps for preventing the mews being built upon, and opened for carriage traffic with a less width than 40 feet.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

52. The Clerk presented a Report, dated 19th March, 1886, stating that Mr. H. F. Moore, one of the Assistants in his Department, was absent in consequence of illness, and submitting a Medical Certificate as to his state of health.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Report be received.

53. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 16th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.2	16.6	16.9	10.8	8.8	9.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	None
	Camden	17.3	16.0	16.5	13.0	9.1	10.9	0.1	0.0	0.1	"
	Dalston	16.5	16.0	16.3	13.1	11.8	12.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow	17.2	16.7	16.9	12.7	10.7	11.4	1.0	0.7	0.8	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	16.1	16.0	16.1	14.4	13.8	14.1	0.4	0.3	0.3	"
	" (Nine-elms)	16.4	15.6	16.1	16.9	12.7	14.5	0.7	0.3	0.5	"
	Kingsland-road	16.8	16.6	16.7	12.2	8.3	10.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross	17.0	16.2	16.5	14.5	12.5	13.5	1.6	0.3	0.9	"
	St. John's-wood	16.8	16.5	16.7	15.6	14.2	15.1	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas)				Station closed for repairs						
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Peckham	16.9	16.4	16.7	11.5	6.1	8.3	1.4	0.0	0.6	"
	Tooley-street	16.4	16.0	16.2	11.4	6.5	8.5	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Clapham	16.5	16.3	16.4	14.8	9.9	12.7	0.3	0.0	0.0	"
	Lewisham	16.5	16.1	16.3	20.5	9.5	12.8	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Old Ford	17.5	16.8	17.2	8.4	6.4	7.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	St. George-in-the- East	16.3	15.3	15.7	9.2	7.4	8.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	"

54. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. W. Roy, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 835, Old Kent-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted,

subject to the condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, that previously to the commencement of building operations, the space separating the proposed shop from the public way be given up to form part of such public way, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 55. CLERKENWELL.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 15th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. M. Davis, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of Nos. 1 and 2, North-street, Pentonville, to the advanced line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 56. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Tomblin, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of wooden balconies to Nos. 7, 9, 10 and 11, Canfield-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 57. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 15th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Greenow, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 155, Waterloo-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months, from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 58. NEWINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 15th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. T. Laws and Son, on behalf of Dr. Parrott, for the consent of the Board to the frontage line adopted in the erection of an enclosed porch in front of No. 82, Camberwell-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 59. PADDINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Graves, on behalf of Mr. R. Hildebrand, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of porticoes, in front of Nos. 100 and 102, Talbot-road, Westbourne-park, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the porticoes therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, enclosed, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 60. ST. MARYLEBONE.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 15th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Payne, on behalf of Mr. W. M. Baker, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open stone portico, and a four-storey bay-window, in front of No. 11, Harley-street, Cavendish-square, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 61. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Lockhead, on behalf of Mr. E. Coleman, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards to the flank gable of a house at the corner of Mitcham-road and Bickersteth-road, Lower Tooting.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 62. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Wheeler and Hollands, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards to the front gables, and wooden porches to the front entrances of Twenty-three houses on the West side of Conyers-road, Streatham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 63. BERMONDSEY.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 15th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. L. R. Ford, on behalf of Messrs. Hall and Co., for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a wood and iron shed on vacant land adjoining No. 29, Layard-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 64. CITY OF LONDON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Whiddington, on behalf of Messrs. Freeman and Winthrop, for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the use of an external iron flue-pipe in connection with a boiler at the rear of No. 41, Cheapside.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 65. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. W. H. Grist, Secretary of the Rectory-road Congregational Church, Stoke Newington, relative to the offer of the Board to return the deposit money in respect of the temporary Church erected in Rectory-road, Stoke Newington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 66. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. J. Brook, relative to the offer of the Board to return the deposit money in respect of the temporary Chapel erected at Holly-park, Crouch-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 67. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. F. Robertson, relative to the offer of the Board to return the deposit money in respect of the temporary Church erected in Hetherington-road, Brixton.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 68. ROTHERHITHE.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1886, on the application of the Rev. B. Brigg, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected in Verney-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 69. ST. PANCRAS.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated

15th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Köhler, for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the construction of a wood and iron building recently erected at the rear of No. 41, Brecknock-road, Camden-town.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

70. SHOREDITCH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Robertson, on behalf of Messrs. Lynes Brothers, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at Norway Wharf, in Great Cambridge-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

71. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on a Letter from the Rev. J. R. Nicholl, relative to the offer of the Board to return the deposit money in respect of the temporary Church erected in Madeira-road, Streatham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

72. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Cokayne, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road to lead out of West side of High-street, Putney, and of the name “Norroy-road, S.W.,” for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said road.

73. CITY OF LONDON.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Blake, on behalf of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee to Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, District Surveyor for the District of the Northern Division of the City of London, in respect of services performed by him in surveying a Dangerous Structure within that District.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Fee of £1 7s. 6d., as specified in the Account now presented to this Board, be paid to Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, the District Surveyor mentioned in such Account, in respect of services performed by him in surveying a Dangerous Structure within the City of London.

74. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. F. Goodey, on behalf of the Agricultural and Horticultural Association, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of an iron shed at their Wharf at Deptford-creek, Deptford.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

75. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Morris, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft to the workshops at the rear of houses in Pigwell-path, Mare-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

76. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Foulsham, on behalf of Messrs. D. and A. Hutchison,

for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a brick and iron shed at the London and Glasgow Foundry, in Hancock-road, Bromley.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

77. ST. GEORGE-IN-THE-EAST.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, stating that Mr. S. S. Markham, District Surveyor for the District of St. George-in-the-East, St. Botolph without Aldgate, and St. Paul, Shadwell, proposed to remove his District Office to No. 50, High-street, Shadwell.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the change in the said District Office be approved.

78. ST. MARYLEBONE.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Legg and Kinder, on behalf of Messrs. Thrupp and Maberley, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the rear of No. 426, Oxford-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

79. ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. F. Pollard, on behalf of Messrs. Barclay, Perkins, and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the Anchor Brewery in Park-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

80. WHITECHAPEL.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, submitting for the Seal of the Board, a License, in duplicate, with Plan attached, in respect of a temporary shed erected at the rear of No. 116, Leman-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License and Plan, in duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 26th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 12.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **26th** day of **March**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, Esq.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WILLIAMS, Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.	LIEUT.-COL. HUGHES, M.P.
ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOWLER, BART., ALDERMAN, M.P.
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	JOHN LENANTON, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETENHALL, Esq.
ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.
WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.	LIEUT.-COLONEL MUNRO.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	ROBERT JONES, Esq.
GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIRCLOUGH, Esq.
GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, Esq.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	EDWIN LAWRENCE, Esq.	BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.
ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, Esq.
JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.	ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.
EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.	FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER, Esq.	
WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	
	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.	
	ALFRED POCOCK, Esq.	
	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 19th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.

2. Read Letters, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Hammersmith.

Clerk's Department, Vestry-hall, Broadway,

To the Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

Hammersmith, W.,

26th day of March, 1886.

SIR,—On the other side I beg to hand you copy of a Resolution passed by this Vestry at a Meeting held this morning.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) W. P. COCKBURN,

Vestry Clerk.

26 March, 1886.

Copy Resolution.

Moved by Mr. E. Bird, seconded by Mr. T. Chamberlen, and RESOLVED, *unanimously*—

“That Mr. George Brown, of No. 1, Rivercourt-road, Hammersmith, be and is hereby
“elected a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works, pursuant to the
“Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1885, Section 3.

Parish of Fulham, Middlesex.

Vestry Offices, Walham-green, S.W.,
25th March, 1886.

METROPOLIS MANAGEMENT AMENDMENT ACT, 1885.

DEAR SIR,—Herewith I enclose copy of a Resolution passed at a Special Meeting of the Vestry of Fulham, which was held this evening, relative to the appointment of a Member to represent the Parish of Fulham on the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) CHAS. J. FOAKES,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works, S.W.

Parish of Fulham, Middlesex.

Vestry Offices, Walham-green, S.W.,
25th March, 1886.

At a Special Meeting of the Vestry of Fulham, held on the Twenty-fifth day of March, 1886, it was—

RESOLVED—“That William Henry Lammin, Esquire, of Holerofts, Fulham, be elected
“as Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to represent the Vestry
“of Fulham, in pursuance of the 3rd Section of the Metropolis Management
“Amendment Act, 1885, 48 and 49 Vict., c. 33.”

(Signed) F. H. FISHER,
Chairman of the Vestry.

3. Mr. Shepherd handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of Bermondsey, Surrey.

Town-hall, Spa-road, S.E.,
25th March, 1886.

WESTON-STREET IMPROVEMENT.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to my Letter of the 21st April last, I shall be glad to receive Cheque for moiety of the cost of the above Improvement.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) J. HARRISON,
Clerk and Solicitor.

To the Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

4. Mr. Hewitt handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the St. Giles District.

197, High Holborn, W.C.,
Clerk's Department,
March 25th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—This Board had under its consideration, at its Meeting on Tuesday last, the name given by your Board to the new street from Piccadilly to Bloomsbury, and I am instructed to ask whether it is proposed to issue an Order for the re-naming and re-numbering of the houses on the North-West side, and hitherto known as Dudley-street.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) HENRY C. JONES.
The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Hewitt, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

5. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 23rd March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 6th March, 1886	...	...	...	...	£177,722	13	-
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day					20,213	14	1
							£197,936 7 1
Payments since 6th March, 1886	...	...	...	...			77,435 11 1
Balance on 20th March, 1886	{ viz : Cash Balance at Bank ...			£125,861	4	7	
	{ Less cheques not presented			5,360	8	7	

120,500 6

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance on 6th March, 1886	...	...	...	...	£1,139	12	6
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	...	4,816	17	8
							£5,956 10 2
Payments since 6th March, 1886	...	...	...	...			4,808 3 1
Balance on 20th March, 1886	{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank...			£1,151	9	9	
	{ Less cheques not presented			3	2	8	

1,148 7

Total Cash Balances on 20th March, 1886 **£121,648 3 1**

Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 6th March, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.		Balances, 20th March, 1886.		Cheques in hand.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.	At Debit.	At Credit.	
<i>Working Accounts—</i>	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
General	404 14 5	...	738 19 2	7,590 7 7	7,256 2 10	...	
Fire Brigade	16,132 5 10	...	138 4 6	5,229 - 6	21,223 1 10	...	
Bridges	...	6,373 13 9	20 5 2	18 16 2	...	6,375 2 9	
<i>Capital Accounts—</i>							
General	...	387,629 17 -	...	11,460 4 7	...	376,169 12 5	47,7
Fire Brigade	2,504 18 7	...	...	18 11 10	2,523 10 5	...	
Bridges (Act of 1877)	29 7 6	...	...	...	29 7 6	...	
Bridges (Act of 1881)	8,256 9 8	...	...	8,681 - 10	16,937 10 6	...	2,0
Bridges (Act of 1883)	1,749 16 4	...	...	3,174 17 8	4,924 14 -	...	
Main Drainage and Main Sewers ... }	13,195 2 8	...	...	3,200 5 2	16,395 7 10	...	
Parks and Open Spaces ... }	99 13 11	...	...	18 10 8	118 4 7	...	
Highbury Fields ...	60,327 4 6	...	...	79 18 -	60,407 2 6	...	
Streets (Act of 1872)...	24 10 2	...	...	19 - -	43 10 2	...	9 7
Streets (Act of 1877)...	34,273 18 4	...	...	6,391 9 11	40,665 8 3	...	20,9
Tooley-street Extension (Act of 1882) }	6 4 -	...	...	...	6 4 -	...	
Streets (Act of 1883)...	41,260 2 -	...	...	10,734 14 2	51,994 16 2	...	18,3
Streets (Act of 1884)...	2,881 13 11	...	...	8 3 8	2,889 17 7	...	
Streets (Act of 1885)...	8 2 6	...	...	...	8 2 6	...	
Appold Street ...	...	189 12 1	...	...	...	189 12 1	
Hampstead Improvements ... }	36,450 13 11	...	5 15 6	2,830 17 -	39,275 15 5	...	12,8
Poplar Improvement...	16 19 7	...	...	...	16 19 7	...	1,3
Thames Floods Prevention ... }	53 17 10	...	...	21 19 3	75 17 1	...	
<i>Miscellaneous—</i>							
Dwelling House Improvement Fund...	5,348 5 11	...	35 7 1	7,239 19 9	12,552 18 7	...	7,5
Consolidated Loans Fund ... }	...	6,413 14 3	19,275 2 8	10,717 14 4	...	14,971 2 7	6,5
Firemen's Savings Fund ... }	...	139 17 6	...	...	...	139 17 6	
	223,024 1 7	400,746 14 7	20,213 14 1	77,435 11 1	277,344 11 4	397,845 7 4	119,40
	£177,722 13 -				£120,500 16 -		

INVESTMENTS.

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND	...	...	£3,120 8 5	...	Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT	...	...	£99,545 4 1	...	Treasury Bills, due 7th April, 1886.
Do.	...	...	£99,666 13 4	...	Do. due 6th May, 1886.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 8th to 20th March, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Supplemental assessment, <i>re</i> Government Property—						
Greenwich	57	2	1			
Fees—						
<i>Re</i> Construction of buildings (Building Act) ...	£3	10	—			
,, Dangerous structures	151	5	1			
,, Gas-meter testing	25	1	—			
,, Petroleum	11	15	—			
,, Explosives	5	3	—			
	196	14	1			
Costs recovered—						
<i>Re</i> Leases, &c.	£319	5	—			
,, Loans	94	11	6			
	413	16	6			
Fines and costs, <i>re</i> Langham Hall	50	—				
Proceeds of sales of carcasses—						
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	16	19	—			
Plans &c., sold	4	7	6			
	738	19	2			

FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.

Contributions from men towards rent	103	19	6			
Chimney-fire penalties... ..	29	5	—			
Subscription for telegraphic communication	5	—	—			
	138	4	6			

BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.

Rent	20	5	2			
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HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.

Rent	5	15	6			
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DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Rent	35	7	1			
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CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Rent	542	10	2			
Loans—						
Interest	£2,996	18	—			
Repayments	2,377	18	6			
	5,374	16	6			
Carried forward	£5,917	6	8	938	11	5

					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	5,917	6	8	938	11	5
Sales—										
Charing-cross (old materials)	...	...	...	£89	9	5				
Piccadilly	„	...	...	160	11	7				
Gray's-inn-road	„	...	...	122	9					
Jamaica-road	„	...	...	20	7	—				
South Lambeth	„	...	...	367	7	9				
St. Pancras	„	...	...	110	2	6				
Old stores	...	...	...	128	13	6				
							999	—	9	
Deposit, <i>re</i> sales—										
Kentish-town-road	...	...	...	...	150	—	—			
Purchase-money of music license and interest thereon, <i>re</i> London Pavilion										
					12,208	15	3			
								19,275	2	8
								£20,213	14	1

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £191,173 12s. 5d., be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Fulham District Board, for payment of this Board's promised contribution towards an Improvement effected at North-end-road, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 16). The Board, on the 7th August last, agreed to contribute one-half of the net cost, not exceeding £50, of widening North-end-road, on the usual Certificates of their Officers. Your Accountant has certified that the sum of £100 has been paid to the owners for the land surrendered, and your Superintending Architect has reported that the works have been satisfactorily completed. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £50 in favour of the District Board.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Fulham District Board, requesting payment of this Board's promised contribution towards the cost of the construction of the Gliddon-road Bridge, referred by the Board on the 15th May last (No. 42) and 26th ultimo (No. 16). The Board, on the 15th February, 1884 (No. 6), agreed, provided the District Board paid £1,600, to contribute the sum of £800, on condition that a Bridge of the value of £4,000 was constructed to the satisfaction of your Engineer. Your Accountant has reported that the District Board have paid the £1,600, and your Engineer states that the Bridge is now completed satisfactorily, except that the Northern approach has a gradient of 1 in 17, for a length of 44 yards, instead of 1 in 25, for a length of 57 yards, as shown upon the Plan approved by the Board. It is alleged that to alter the levels of the carriage-way on the North side of the Bridge would require such alterations of the level of the roads running East and West and North as would practically close one of the entrances to (the new) St. Paul's

school, and it is asked that under those circumstances the alteration may be approved. As the Works and General Purposes Committee originally approved of the Plan your Committee think it desirable that they should decide whether the Bridge should be approved and the contribution paid, and they accordingly recommend—

That the matter be referred to that Committee for the purpose.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of Lambeth, for payment of the Board's promised contribution towards the cost of an Improvement at Knight's-hill-road, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 15). The Board, on the 8th August, 1884 (No. 7), agreed to contribute one-half of the net cost, not exceeding £450, on the usual Certificates of their Officers. Your Superintending Architect has reported that direct communication between Knight's-hill-road and High-street Lower Norwood, has been made, and the necessary paving and other works completed, and your Accountant has certified that the net sum of £857 18s. 6d. has been expended by the Vestry. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £128, in favour of the Vestry.

Pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 5th instant (No. 86), your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, for an advance of a sum of £10,000 to defray the cost of wood-paving. The Vestry propose to have laid down in certain carriage-ways 24,879 yards of wood blocks, 6 inches by 9 inches by 3 inches, on Portland cement concrete foundations, 6 inches in thickness, at an estimated cost (8s. and 8s. 2d. per yard) of £10,004 15s. 2d., which your Engineer reports to be reasonable. The Hon. A. Egerton, one of the representatives of the Vestry, has attended your Committee in support of the application, and having regard to the necessity for the work, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, for an advance of a sum of £10,000, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January within 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, requesting a Loan of a sum of £2,000 to defray the cost of wood-paving, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 9). The District Board propose to have laid down in parts of the carriage-ways of Clapham-park-road and High-street, Clapham, about 4,000 yards of wood blocks, on Portland cement foundations, 6 inches in thickness, at an estimated cost (10s. per yard) of £2,000, which your Engineer considers to be reasonable. Your Committee see no objection to the Board making the advance, and they accordingly recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Wandsworth District Board, for a Loan of a sum of £2,000, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up on the 1st July, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the application from the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, for a Loan of a sum of £15,500 to defray the cost of paving works, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 56). The Vestry propose to have laid down in parts of the Southwark Bridge, St. George's, Lambeth and Borough Roads,

about 19,293 yards of 3 inches by 6 inches Guernsey granite cubes, and 2,288 yards of 3 inches by 6 inches wood blocks, all on concrete foundations 6 inches in thickness, at a total estimated cost for the granite (15s. per yard) of £14,468, and for the wood (11s. 4d. per yard) of £1,296, making a total of £15,764. Your Engineer reports that he considers the price for the granite paving to be a full one, and that the Loan should be limited to £1,300 for the wood, and £13,700 for the granite, and in this your Committee concur. Mr. Pocock, the representative of the Vestry, has attended your Committee in support of the application. The Vestry propose to take up the Loan in moieties on 24th June and 29th September next, but as it is not customary to allocate money for more than three months in advance, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, for the Loan of a sum of £15,500, to defray the cost of paving works, be granted, to the extent of £8,000, on condition that the Loan be taken up on the 24th June next, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, as to £6,700 for granite paving in 20 years, and as to £1,300 for wood-paving in 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan; that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account; and that the Vestry be informed that, if they desire to take up the remaining £7,000 of the Loan on the 29th September next, they must make application early in July for the purpose.

On the 12th instant the Board, on the recommendation of your Committee, agreed to advance to the Guardians of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union the sum of £13,500, re-payable in 30 years, and 6,400 in 15 years. Your Solicitor reports that the consent of the Local Government Board has been obtained to the Loan, and to the mode for re-payment, and that it becomes necessary to slightly modify this Board's Resolution by directing that £13,700 instead of £13,500 be re-paid in 30 years, and £6,200 instead of £6,400 be re-paid in 15 years, and your Committee recommend—

That the Resolution be modified accordingly.

Your Committee have ascertained that the Board's Cash Balance will (subject to transfers) shortly require to be strengthened, and it therefore becomes necessary, and as a safeguard for the Board, that they should be in possession of Treasury authority to borrow temporarily. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That application be made to the Treasury to sanction (under the Act 47 and 48 Vic., c. 50, s. 22) the raising of such temporary Loans as may be necessary during the year 1886, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £500,000; and that it be referred to the Chairman of the Board, and the past and the present Chairman of the Finance Committee to negotiate such Loans.

Your Committee have had before them the Tables, prepared by your Accountant, to accompany the Board's Money Bill of 1886, which Tables your Committee beg to submit for the information of the Board, and to recommend—

That the Tables be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, with instructions to the Accountant to bring them up to the latest date, as may be required by the Treasury.

The Board, on the 15th January last (No. 4), appointed Mr. Joseph Smith to assess on Lincoln's-inn and the Inner Temple the amount required to be paid under the Precepts to those places in respect of the Consolidated Rate for the year 1885. Your Committee have received a Letter from Mr. Smith, stating that he has prepared and made the requisite Rates, and requesting the Board to grant him the usual remuneration in respect thereof. Your Committee consider that, as the labour involved in the preparation of the Rates is the same as in previous years, a similar allowance should be made in the present instance, and they therefore recommend—

That Mr. Joseph Smith be paid for collecting the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, made on Lincoln's-inn for the year 1885, by poundage at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount

collected, and that the sum of £5 be paid to the said Joseph Smith, in consideration of additional duties performed by him in connection with the preparation and making of the said Rate.

That Mr. Joseph Smith be paid for collecting the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, made on the Inner Temple for the year 1885, by poundage, at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount collected, and that the sum of £5 be paid to the said Joseph Smith, in consideration of additional duties performed by him in connection with the preparation and making of the said Rate.

On the 18th December last (No. 6), the Board made an Order placing the property leased by them under the management of your Committee, who have been making enquiries as to the sufficiency of the fire insurances on the property placed under their charge. Your Committee have received from your Superintending Architect a Report on the subject, relative to the time which will be required to value the buildings, if done by the Board's staff, and suggesting the temporary employment of an Assistant for that purpose, and as such questions are usually considered by the Works and General Purposes Committee, your Committee recommend—

That the subject be referred to that Committee for consideration and report.

Your Committee have caused to be prepared an apportionment of the Establishment Charges of the Board for the half-year ended the 31st December last, a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Board. Your Committee submit a copy thereof, and recommend—

That the same be approved, and that such Charges be apportioned accordingly.

Your Committee recommend—

That the following Cheques, which have been drawn longer than three months, be cancelled—

Streets (Act of 1877) Account.

No. 8520—1885, 21st December.	R. Emery ...	...	...	...	£15 0 0
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Streets (Act of 1883) Account.

No. 705—1885, 21st December.	Mrs. E. Brockwell ...	...	...	822 0 0
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No. 706—1885, 21st December,	C. Baines and Ball ...	...	...	21 0 0
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All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
P. W. FUNNELL,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
GEORGE JAMES,
JOHN TOLHURST.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

WADESON, C. A.—(819 & 866)—		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
6306 Drawing-paper, mounting plans, &c. December, 1885,							
to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	£10	14	10
					14	1	5
					—	24	16 3
Carried forward	...	...	...	...	£24	16	3

						£	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...		24	16	3	...	
STONE, J., AND Co.—(878)—										
6307	Repairs at Deptford pumping-station, July to December, 1885	...	...	...		88	4	6		
RENNIE, J. AND G.—(880)—										
6308	Repairs to boilers at Deptford pumping-station, November, 1885, to January, 1886	...	...	...	...	243	8	8		
GRIFFITHS, J. W.—(877)—										
6309	Cleaning boiler-flues, &c., at Abbey Mills pumping-station, March, 1886	...	...	...	...	11	-	-		
WOODHOUSE AND RAWSON—(820)—										
6310	Fittings, &c., for electric lighting reservoir at Crossness for sewerage experiments, February, 1886	...	...	...		177	10	-		
JACKSON, F. A., AND SON—(732)—										
6311	Balance of bill for repairing and maintaining roads, &c., by Finsbury-park (Contract No. 741)	...	...	...		213	3	5		
KNIGHT, J. F.—(864)—										
6312	Permanent photograph of "Cleopatra's Needle," Victoria-embankment	...	...	...	...	8	8	-		
MARSHALL, M.—(607)—										
6313	Fencing, &c., round watch-box, Eel Brook-common, October, 1885	...	...	...	...	10	11	4		
PFEIL AND Co.—(737 and 881)—										
6314	Tools and ironware for parks and open spaces, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	£50 15 7					
	Leg-vice for gas-meter testing-house, Spitalfields. December, 1885	..	...	...	1 3 -					
						51	18	7		
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(665, 875 and 879)—										
6315	Coals and coke for gas meter testing-houses, January, 1886—(665)	...	...	...	£11 11 -					
	Coals and coke for pumping-stations, &c., February, 1886—(879)	...	...	...	1,258 2 7					
	Coals for offices, Spring-gardens, March, 1886—(665)...				35 16 -					
						1,305	9	7		
ALLEN, W. G.—(824)—										
6316	Hire of steam-tug for sewerage experiments, February, 1886	...	...	...		16	-	-		
BRASS, W., AND SON—(873)—										
6317	Shoring, hoarding, &c., dangerous structures	...	...	...		62	5	2		
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(872)—										
	Fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures—									
6318	Conder, A.	...	...	...	£3 - -					
6319	Fletcher, B.	...	...	...	2 7 6					
6320	Fowler, C.	...	...	...	3 15 -					
6321	Grose, V. J.	...	...	...	2 17 6					
6322	Hammon, H. J.	...	...	...	4 15 -					
6323	Hayward, C. F.	...	...	...	6 - -					
6324	Hewitt, E. R.	...	...	...	4 12 6					
6325	Kerr, R.	...	...	...	2 5 -					
6326	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	8 7 6					
6327	Marsland, E.	...	...	...	3 10 -					
6328	Notley, R. P.	...	...	...	13 5 -					
6329	Oliver, H.	...	...	...	2 15 -					
6330	Parsons, H.	...	...	...	3 12 6					
6331	Payne, A.	...	...	...	5 15 -					
6332	Peebles, A.	...	...	...	2 17 6					
6333	Porter, F. W.	...	...	...	4 2 6					
6334	Tanner, A. W.	...	...	...	2 5 -					
6335	Turner, J. G.	...	...	...	2 10 -					
	Carried forward	...	...	...	£78 12 6	2,212	15	6	...	

						£	s.	d.	£	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	2,212	15	6	...	...
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(<i>continued</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	£78	12	6		
6336	Wallen, F.	...	...	...	...	5	15	—		
6337	Williams, A.	...	...	...	...	2	5	—		
6338	Woodthorpe, E.	...	...	...	...	14	17	6		
6339	Woodward, J. A. J.	...	...	...	...	3	7	6		
									104	17 6
PENNEFATHER, A. R.—(816)—										
6340	Fee for auditing the accounts of the Board for the year 1885	...	...	...	...	150	—	—		
RENTS of premises occupied by the Board, due Lady-day, 1886—(860)—										
6341	Burton, D., Executors of, per Hopkinson and Sons—									
	Nos. 10, 12, and 14, Spring-gardens	...	...	...	...	£267	14	2		
6342	Hardcastle, J.—									
	Storage-yard, Plumstead-common	...	...	...	...	2	5	6		
									269	19 8
COLLARD, A. O.—(874)—										
6343	Model plan of dwellings in Chatham-gardens, Shoreditch, for Building Act Committee, March, 1886	...	...	...	...	6	6	—		
BANK OF ENGLAND—(854)—										
6344	Half-year's interest on balance of loan of £144,000, due 1st April, 1886 (less tax)	...	...	...	...	1,148	8	—		
									3,892	6 8
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.										
BRUCE, T.—(798)—										
2607	Vegetable parchment slips for lamp-labels, July, 1885	...	...	...	...	2	7	6		
SHAND, MASON, AND Co.—(806)—										
2608	Repairs to engines, &c., February and March, 1886	...	...	...	...	51	8	—		
MERRYWEATHER AND SONS—(803)—										
2609	Repairs to engines, &c., February, 1886	...	...	...	...	51	12	6		
FRASER AND FRASER—(800)—										
2610	Fusible plugs for float "Dodo," January, 1886	...	...	...	...	2	2	—		
BRAY, G.—(796)—										
2611	Repairs, &c., to telescopic ladders, February, 1886	...	...	...	...	22	10	—		
BULLER, JOBSON, AND Co., LIMITED—(677)—										
2612	Name and number-plates, October and November, 1885	...	...	...	...	3	12	11		
MOORE, A.—(797)—										
2613	Lamp, &c., tablets, December, 1885	...	...	...	...	57	12	6		
GREENWOOD, J. AND J.—(801)—										
2614	Repairs at stations, October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	52	14	7		
KEARLEY, C. F.—(802)—										
2615	Repairs at stations, October and November, 1885	...	...	...	...	19	5	—		
LAING, D. G., AND SON—(807)—										
2616	Repairs at stations, October and November, 1885	...	...	...	...	16	4	2		
SMITH BROTHERS—(809)—										
2617	Repairs at stations, January to August, 1885	...	...	...	...	89	9	7		
ASHBY AND HORNER—(795)—										
2618	Repairs at Shadwell station, November, 1885	...	...	...	...	2	10	3		
POTTER, G., AND SON—(805)—										
2619	Repairs at Hampstead station, July to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	6	19	8		
FALKIRK IRON Co.—(719)—										
2620	Repairs to ranges at stations, October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	40	3	—		
SAX, J.—(808)—										
2621	Electric bells, alterations, &c., October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	23	2	6		
MILNE, SONS AND MACFIE—(804)—										
2622	Gas-fittings and materials for repairs, &c., quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	27	1	8		
	Carried forward	...	...	...	...	£478	15	10	3,892	6 8

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
						Brought forward			...	...	478 15 10	3,892 6 8
RENTS OF STATIONS, &c., due Lady-day, 1886—(859)—												
2623	Dobrée, Mrs. C.	...	...	...	...	£8	13	4				
2624	Crace, J. D.	...	...	...	...	15	—	—				
2625	Dethridge, F.	...	...	...	...	21	13	4				
2626	Insley, Rev. W. P.	...	...	...	...	3	5	—				
2627	Clarke, D.	...	...	...	...	8	13	4				
2628	Lewisham Parochial Trustees	...	...	...	...	5	—	—				
2629	Outhwaite, J.	...	...	...	...	35	15	—				
2630	Hadlow, W.	...	...	...	...	13	—	—				
2631	Hudson and Sons	...	...	...	...	2	10	—				
2632	Tweedie, A. F. and R. W.	...	...	...	...	3	18	—				
2633	Barclay & Co.	...	...	...	...	22	15	—				
2634	Holmes, E. C., and Son	...	...	...	...	7	7	4				
2635	Union Assurance Office	...	...	...	...	13	—	—				
2636	Whitbread and Co.	...	...	...	...	19	10	—				
2637	Brown and Rooke...	...	...	...	...	8	13	4				
2638	Wandsworth District Board	...	...	...	...	6	10	—				
2639	Williams, James and Wason	...	...	...	...	5	8	4				
2640	Lee and Pemberton	...	...	...	...	9	15	—				
2641	Ratcliff, H.	...	...	...	...	2	12	—				
2642	Covington, Rev. W.	...	...	...	...	6	10	—				
2643	Barber, J....	...	...	...	...	7	16	—				
2644	Fielder, Mrs. E.	...	...	...	...	4	6	8				
2645	Cluttons	...	...	...	...	6	10	8				
2646	Thynne and Thynne	...	...	...	...	7	—	—				
2647	Enkel, R. A.	...	...	...	...	14	—	—				
2648	Smith, Payne and Smiths	...	...	...	...	2	18	—				
2649	Bailey, R....	...	...	...	...	14	—	—				
2650	Hortin, J. H.	...	...	...	...	4	13	4				
2651	Hoare and Co.	...	...	...	...	2	16	—				
2652	Barnes, G.	...	...	...	...	3	5	—				
2653	Goldsmiths Company	...	...	...	...	571	7	2				
2654	Shadwell Estate Agency	...	...	...	...	17	6	8				
2655	Heath, W. E.	...	...	...	...	9	7	3				
									884 15 9			
									1,363 11 7			

BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.

WANDSWORTH AND PUTNEY GAS Co.—(738)—

102	Gas for lamps on Putney and Wandsworth bridges, half-year to Christmas, 1885	...	...	...	...	53	12	4
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PENSIONS to late officers and toll collectors of Bridge Companies, half-year to 5th April, 1886—(811)—

103	Clarke, W. C.	...	...	...	...	£200	5	1
104	Dunman, G.	...	...	...	...	39	19	8
105	Dunman, J.	...	...	...	...	20	12	9
106	Mead, D.	...	...	...	...	17	16	5
107	Oclee, G.	...	...	...	...	25	8	-
108	McGill, J.	...	...	...	...	13	14	1
109	Prichard, F. W.	...	...	...	...	12	9	2
110	Ventum, G.	...	...	...	...	10	16	8
111	Wiley, W.	...	...	...	...	8	2	6
						349 4 4		

402 16 8

FIRE BRIGADE CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

COOK, R. J., and HAMMOND—(799)—

2656	Lithography, Stoke Newington station, July, 1885	...	...	...	...	27	12	6
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BRIDGES (ACT OF 1881).

WADDELL, J.—(891)—

40	Further on account of contract for erection of bridge at Putney (No. 597)	...	...	...	...	1,000	-	-
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MOSS, G.—(886)—

41	Further on account of contract for alterations at Deptford-creek bridge (No. 654)	...	...	...	...	300	-	-
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Carried forward ... £1,300 - - 5,686 7 5

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	1,300	-	-	5,686	7	5
ABBOTT, C. J.—(727 and 810)—								
42	Under sheriff's fees, March, 1886—							
	Re Garland (Battersea)	...	£24	15	-			
	„ Parry	...	8	3	8			
						32	18	8
								1,332 18 8

BRIDGES (ACT OF 1883).

AIRY, W.—(683)—								
10	Fee and expenses for inspecting ironwork at Stockton and Sheffield, February, 1886, re Hammersmith Bridge	...						9 6 1

MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.

WADDELL, J.—(890)—								
1260	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers, &c., at Clapham, Battersea, Wandsworth, and Putney (No. 614)	...	2,000	-	-			
McCREA AND McFARLAND—(885)—								
1261	Further on account of contract for construction of relief-lines to the Ranelagh and King's Scholar's Pond sewers (No. 653)	...	3,607	10	-			
RIGBY, W.—(888)—								
1262	Further on account of contract for construction of relief-lines to the Holloway and Northern High Level sewers (No. 720)	...	3,910	-	-			
NOWELL AND ROBSON—(887)—								
1263	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers at Queen's-road, Dalston (No. 727)	...	2,200	-	-			
BEADLE BROTHERS—(883)—								
1264	Further on account of contract for construction of sewer at Grove-park, Lee (No. 717)	...	309	17	10			
EASTON AND ANDERSON—(729)—								
1265	Balance of amount of contract and extras for providing additional pumping power at the Crossness, Effra, and Falcon pumping stations (No. 467)	...	400	5	10			
LAW AND CHATTERTON—(858)—								
1266	Professional charges, re Kellett and Bentley's contract	...	10	10	-	12,438	3	8

STREETS (ACT OF 1877).

GRIFFITHS, J. J.—(884)—								
8707	Further on account of contract for paving and other works between West-street and Bloomsbury-street (No. 756)	...	2,030	9	2			
TURNER, T.—(889)—								
8708	Further on account of contract for paving and other works, West-street and Piccadilly (No. 762)	...	2,574	4	7			
NEW RIVER Co.—(892)—								
8709	Laying mains in subway, altering levels, &c., to suit new street from Oxford-street to Piccadilly-circus, September to December, 1885	...	1,268	2	1	5,872	15	10

STREETS (ACT OF 1883).

DE GREY, HON. J. A.—(863)—								
897	Counsel's fees, March, 1886, re Hurlock (Walworth-road)	...				22	9	-

HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.

MONRO AND SOUTTER—(870)—								
324	Fee for information, re parochial schools	...				2	2	-

APPOLD STREET.

WALKER AND RUNTZ—(867)—								
406	Charges in respect of sale of ground-rents, January, 1886	...				54	19	6

THAMES FLOODS PREVENTION.

McLAUCHLAN, H.—(865)—								
11	Models of Frogmore wharf, Wandsworth, and tide-board gates at Evelyn-wharf, Deptford, January and February, 1886	...	14	1	6			
	Carried forward	...	£14	1	6	25,419	2	2

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	14	1	6	25,419	2	2
SURVEYORS' INSTITUTION—(817)—									
12	Hire of rooms for arbitration, <i>re</i> Little	...	...	9	9	-		23	10 6

DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

GRIFFITHS, J. J.—(730)—

5739	Balance of amount of contract and extras for paving and other works at Robin Hood-lane, Poplar, (No 713)	...	...	403	1	11
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CUBITT-NICHOLS, D.—(815)—

5740	Fees and expenses with reference to local inquiries—								
	Tabard-street, Newington, scheme	...	£58	7	-				
	Hughes-fields, Deptford, scheme	...	77	15	-				
						136	2	-	
									539 3 11

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

RENTS of premises taken by the Board and sub-let to tenants, due Lady-day, 1886—(861)—

1559	Abbott, C. J.	...	...	£5	19	2
1560	Harrild, H.	...	...	14	1	8
1561	Paterson, Snow and Bloxam	...	...	15	8	-
						35 8 10

BANK OF ENGLAND—(855)—

1562	One-quarter's dividend on $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, due 5th April, 1886	...	...	...	148,612	17	-
							148,648 5 10

SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.

COOK, R. J., AND HAMMOND—(871)—

1907	Lithography, September, 1884, to January, 1886—								
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	18	14	8	
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	...	86	10	6	
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	4	9	6	
									109 14 8

ALLOWANCES to officers of the Board for extra services in preparing plans, &c., of public-houses—

1908	Millwood, A.—(740)—								
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	10	10	-	
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	21	-	-	
									31 10 -
1909	Walker, T. C.—(741)—								
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	10	10	-	
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	21	-	-	
									31 10 -

MARRIOTT, RIGHT HON. W. T., Q.C., M.P.—(869)—

1910	Counsel's fees, February and March, 1886—								
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	63	5	-	
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	63	5	-	
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	56	11	6	
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	...	123	4	-	
									306 5 6

WRIGHT, F., AND Co.—(868)—

1911	Sheriff's officer's fees—								
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)—</i>								
	<i>Re France (Charing-cross)</i>	...	...	...	...	5	15	6	
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)—</i>								
	<i>Re Thompson (Islington)</i>	...	...	...	...	5	15	6	
									11 11 -

BANK OF ENGLAND—(856)—

1912	<i>General Working Account—</i>								
	Half-year's interest on balance of Loan of £100,000, due 6th April, 1886 (less tax)	...	...	...	...	797	10	-	
	Carried forward	...	...	...	...	£797	10	-	175,120 13 7

					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	175,120	13	7
BANK OF ENGLAND—(continued)	...	...	...	...	...	797	10	-		
Consolidated Loans Fund—										
Twentieth instalment in repayment	...	...	...	...	3,333	6	8			
								1,130	16	8
MOWLEM, J., AND Co.—(896)—										
1913 Bill for general jobbing works (Area A), quarter to 26th December, 1885—										
General Working Account	...	...	...	...	3,162	4	7			
General Capital Account	...	...	...	...		1	11	10		
Streets (Act of 1877)	...	...	...	...		111	13	3		
Streets (Act of 1883)	...	...	...	...		72	9	4		
Thames Floods Prevention	...	...	...	...		33	2	7		
								3,281	1	7
WILLIAMS, SON AND WALLINGTON—(897 and 739)—										
1914 Bills for general jobbing works (Area B), August, 1883, to November, 1885—										
General Working Account	...	...	...	...	3,909	17	2			
General Working Account	...	...	...	£134	11	8				
Bridges (Maintenance) Account	...	...	...	3	5	11				
							137	17	7	
								4,047	14	9
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(898 and 899)—										
Repayment of advances—										
1915 Weekly wages—Two weeks to 17th March, 1886—										
General Working Account	...	...	...	£1,622	16	7				
Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	4	2	6				
Bridges (Maintenance) Account	...	...	...	10	10	-				
Fire Brigade Capital Account	...	...	...	18	6	-				
Bridges (Act of 1881)	...	...	...	64	4	-				
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	...	...	...	87	18	-				
Parks and Open Spaces	...	...	...	16	10	5				
Streets (Act of 1877)	...	...	...	9	19	9				
Streets (Act of 1883)	...	...	...	3	17	-				
Streets (Act of 1884)	...	...	...	5	12	-				
Hampstead Improvements	...	...	...	2	8	-				
Thames Floods Prevention	...	...	...	20	1	-				
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	...	...	...	25	4	-				
Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	...	43	12	-				
							1,956	1	3	
Firemen's wages—Two weeks to 20th March, 1886—										
Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	2,008	-	6				
Weekly pensions, to 13th March, 1886—										
Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	34	10	8				
								3,998	12	5
1916 Petty disbursements, 1st to 13th March, 1886—										
a General Working Account	...	...	£108	6	-					
Bridges (Act of 1881)	...	...	1	6	-					
						109	12	-		
b Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	£16	13	9					
Fire Brigade Capital Account	...	...	7	6						
						17	1	3		
c Bridges (Act of 1881)	...	...	...	-	7	6				
d Thames Floods Prevention	...	...	...	1	19	-				
e Dwelling House Improvement Fund	...	...	...	-	19	4				
f Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	...	-	5	7				
						£130	4	8		
Streets (Act of 1877)—										
g Fee for production of deed, re Hawes (Charing-cross)	...	...	...	1	1	-				
Streets (Act of 1883)—										
h Retainer to counsel, re Bennington (Tower-hill)	...	...	...	1	3	6				
Carried forward	...	...	£132	9	2			190,678	19	-

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	190,678	19	-
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)	132	9	2						
<i>Hampstead Improvements—</i>									
<i>i</i> Proportion of rent-charge in respect of Nos. 63 and 64, High-street, from 30th October, 1885, to 10th March, 1886 (less tax)	3	9	5						
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund—</i>									
<i>j</i> Further rent in respect of Nos. 1 to 10, Vine-court, and 11 to 13, Bere-passage	-	2	5						
Stamp-duty on agreements, &c.—									
<i>k</i> General Working Account—									
<i>Re</i> School Board for London	£-	2	6						
<i>Re</i> Steinman	-	5	-						
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)—</i>									
<i>Re</i> Kent (South Lambeth)	3	5	-						
<i>Hampstead Improvements—</i>									
<i>Re</i> Ralph	1	-	-						
	4	12	6						
Rates and taxes in respect of No. 2, Rothsay-street, Bermondsey—									
<i>l</i> Consolidated Loans Fund	1	6	10						
Compensation to tenants on removal—									
<i>m</i> Streets (Act of 1877)	£15	10	-						
Streets (Act of 1883)	2	-	-						
Hampstead Improvements	53	-	-						
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	24	-	-						
	94	10	-						
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account—</i>									
<i>n</i> Compensation for damage to tram-car by engine, February, 1886	1	15	-						
Postages, 1st to 13th March, 1886—									
<i>o</i> General Working Account	41	-	-				279	5	4
Umpire's fee and costs of award, <i>re</i> Bridge House Estates trustees (Southwark-bridge-road)—									
<i>p</i> Streets (Act of 1877)	62	6	-						
Special jury expenses—									
<i>q</i> Bridges (Act of 1881)									
<i>Re</i> Garland, Battersea	34	8	-						
<i>r</i> Streets (Act of 1877)—									
<i>Re</i> France's trustees (Charing-cross)	28	8	6						
<i>s</i> Streets (Act of 1883)—									
<i>Re</i> Thompson (Islington)	35	12	-						
Rates for premises occupied by tenants—									
<i>t</i> Dwelling House Improvement Fund	17	18	9						
Fee for inspection of the "Fountain and Grapes" public-house, by surveyor to licensing justices (Southwark-bridge-road)—									
<i>u</i> Consolidated Loans Fund	3	3	-				181	16	3
Amounts to be paid through the Account—									
Bills, &c., for sums under £2—									
General Working Account—									
<i>v</i> District Surveyors' fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures	6	17	6						
Fire Brigade Working Account—									
<i>w</i> Glover, T., and Co.—Repairs to gas-meter	£1	3	6						
Buckley, J.—Cartage of lamp to Deptford station	-	9	-						
	1	12	6						
<i>x</i> Rents of escape-standings, due Lady-day, 1886...	1	1	4						
Carried forward	£9	11	4	461	1	7	190,678	19	-

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	190,678	19	-
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)	...	...	9	11	4	461	1	7	
Rates and taxes for sundry stations—									
y Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	24	-	10		33	12	2
								494	13 9
									£191,173 12 9

Examined,
(signed) T. G. FARDELL,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
GEORGE JAMES,
DONALD MUNRO,
P. W. FUNNELL,
JOHN TOLHURST,
CHAS. HARRIS,
W. URQUHART,
F. DRESSER ROGERS.

Certified,
(signed) A. GUNN,
Accountant.

The Tables submitted with the Report were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the sum specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £191,173 12s. 9d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Fees specified in the Four summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to D inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Conder, A. ...	1	3 - -	...	...	3 - -
2	Dale, D. R. ...	1	- 12 6	...	...	- 12 6
3	Drury, E. D. ...	1	- 17 6	...	...	- 17 6
4	Elkington, G. ...	2	1 17 6	...	...	1 17 6
5	Fletcher, B. ...	3	2 7 6	...	...	2 7 6
6	Fowler, C. ...	3	3 7 6	1	- 7 6	3 15 -
7	Grose, V. J. ...	4	2 17 6	...	...	2 17 6
8	Hammon, H. J. ...	3	4 15 -	...	...	4 15 -
9	Hayward, C. F. ...	4	5 12 6	...	...	6 - -
10	Hewitt, E. R. ...	4	3 17 6	1	- 7 6	4 12 6
11	Kerr, R....	2	2 5 -	2	- 15 -	2 5 -
12	Large, W. A. ...	1	- 12 6	...	...	- 12 6
13	Legg, G. ...	2	1 15 -	...	...	1 15 -
14	Legg, H. S. ...	1	1 2 6	...	...	1 2 6
15	McDonell, G. ...	11	8 - -	1	- 7 6	8 7 6
16	Marsland, E. ...	5	3 2 6	1	- 7 6	3 10 -
17	Notley, R. P. ...	8	12 17 6	1	- 7 6	13 5 -
18	Oliver, H. ...	1	- 12 6	4	2 2 6	2 15 -
19	Parsons, H. ...	3	3 12 6	...	...	3 12 6
20	Payne, A. ...	4	5 7 6	1	- 7 6	5 15 -
21	Peebles, A. ...	1	2 2 6	1	- 15 -	2 17 6
22	Porter, F. W. ...	2	3 7 6	2	- 15 -	4 2 6
23	Tanner, A. W. ...	3	2 5 -	...	...	2 5 -
24	Turner, J. G. ...	2	1 17 6	1	- 12 6	2 10 -
25	Wallen, F. ...	4	5 7 6	1	- 7 6	5 15 -
26	Williams, A. ...	2	2 5 -	...	...	2 5 -
27	Woodthorpe, E. ...	19	13 15 -	3	1 2 6	14 17 6
28	Woodward, J. A. J. ...	4	3 7 6	...	...	3 7 6
		101	103 - -	20	8 15 -	111 15 -

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the under-mentioned expenses, incident to shoring and hoarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
32,655	168, Whitecross-street, St. Luke	20 18 1
33,942	11, Market-place, Woolwich	19 3 2
34,111	3, Lancaster-place, Hampstead	3 - 2
34,122	3, Axe-place, Shoreditch	6 14 2
34,225	30, Wolverly-street, Bethnal-green	6 17 8
34,712	19, Eagle-street, St. Andrew, Holborn	4 9 10
34,779	56, St. Augustine's-road, St. Pancras... ..	1 2 1
		£ 62 5 2

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque be now drawn for £50 in favour of the Fulham District Board, being the amount of this Board's promised contribution towards the cost of the Improvement effected at North-end-road.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the question as to the alteration made in the gradient of the Northern approach of the Gliddon-road Bridge, Fulham, from the Plan approved by the Board, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, and to report whether, under the existing circumstances, the promised contribution of £800 should now be paid.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £428, in favour of the Vestry of Lambeth, being the amount of the Board's promised contribution towards the cost of the Improvement at Knight's-hill-road.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, for an advance of a sum of £10,000, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Wandsworth District Board, for a Loan of a sum of £2,000 to defray the cost of wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up on the 1st July next, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor

to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, for a Loan of a sum of £15,500 to defray the cost of paving works, be granted, to the extent of £8,000, on condition that the Loan be taken up on the 24th June next, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, as to £6,700 for granite paving within a period of Twenty years, and as to £1,300 for wood-paving within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account; and that the Vestry be informed that, if they desire to take up the balance, viz., £7,000, to which the Loan will be limited, on the 29th September next, they must make application early in July for the purpose.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Resolution of the Board of the 12th instant, agreeing to make an advance to the Guardians of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union, be so far modified as to direct that the sum of £13,700, instead of £13,500, be re-paid within a period of Thirty years, and that £6,200, instead of £6,400, be re-paid within a period of Fifteen years.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That application be made to the Treasury to sanction the raising of such temporary Loans as may be necessary during the year 1886, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £500,000, and that it be referred to the Chairman of the Board, and the past and the present Chairman of the Finance Committee to negotiate such Loans.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Tables to accompany the Board's Money Bill of 1886, prepared by the Accountant, and now submitted, be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, with instructions to the Accountant to bring up the Tables to the latest date, as may be required by the Treasury.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Joseph Smith be paid for collecting the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, made on Lincoln's-inn for the year 1885, by poundage, at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount collected, and that the sum of £5 be paid to the said Joseph Smith, in consideration of additional duties performed by him in connection with the preparation and making of the said Rate.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Joseph Smith be paid for collecting the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, made on the Inner Temple for the year 1885, by poundage, at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount collected, and that the sum of £5 be paid to the said Joseph Smith, in consideration of additional duties performed by him in connection with the preparation and making of the said Rate; and that a Cheque for the sum of £10 be now drawn in favour of Mr. Smith.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Working Account accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the subject of the inspection and valuing of the properties leased by the Board, in connection with the sufficiency of the Insurances effected thereon, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the apportionment of the Establishment Charges for the half-year

ended 31st December last, be approved, and that such Charges be apportioned as follows—

ACCOUNTS.	General Staff and Office Expenses.		Accountant's Department.		Engineer's Department.		Architect's Department.		Solicitor's Department.		TOTAL.
	Per Cent.	Amount.	Per Cent.	Amount.	Per Cent.	Amount.	Per Cent.	Amount.	Per Cent.	Amount.	
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
WORKING ACCOUNTS.											
General	63	12,161 11 9	60	1,873 1 2	30	2,178 4 5	60	2,691 1 9	30	1,725 12 10	20,629 11 11
Fire Brigade	2	386 1 8	5	156 1 9	3	217 16 5	...	...	1	57 10 5	817 10 3
Bridges	1	193 - 10	1	31 4 4	2	145 4 4	...	...	3	172 11 4	542 - 10
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.											
Fire Brigade	1	193 - 10	2	62 8 9	...	...	2	89 14 1	...	...	345 3 8
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	4	772 3 3	2	62 8 8	25	1,815 3 8	1	44 17 -	2	115 - 10	2,809 13 5
Parks and Open Spaces	1	193 - 10	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	172 11 4	365 12 2
Streets (Act of 1877) ...	8	1,544 6 7	5	153 1 9	10	726 1 6	10	448 10 3	18	1,035 7 8	3,910 7 9
Tooley-street Extension (Act of 1882) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	44 17 -	...	...	44 17 -
Streets (Act of 1883) ...	5	965 4 1	12	374 12 3	...	...	14	627 18 5	23	1,322 19 10	3,290 14 7
Hampstead Improvements	1	193 - 10	4	124 17 5	...	...	2	89 14 1	5	287 12 2	695 4 6
Thames Floods Prevention	3	579 2 5	...	...	10	726 1 6	...	...	3	172 11 4	1,477 15 3
Bridges (Act of 1877) ...	...	...	...	...	4	290 8 7	...	...	...	...	290 8 7
Bridges (Acts of 1881 and 1884)	4	772 3 3	5	156 1 9	8	580 17 2	3	134 11 1	2	115 - 10	1,778 14 1
Bridges (Act of 1883) ...	1	193 - 10	1	31 4 4	3	217 16 5	...	...	1	57 10 5	499 12 -
MISCELLANEOUS.											
Dwelling House Improvement Fund	6	1,158 4 11	3	93 13 1	5	363 - 8	7	313 19 2	9	517 13 9	2,446 11 7
	100	19,304 2 1	100	3,121 15 3	100	7,260 14 8	100	4,485 2 10	100	5,752 2 5	39,923 17 7

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the undermentioned Cheques, which have been drawn longer than Three months, be now cancelled—

Streets (Act of 1877) Account.

No. 8520. 1885, 21st December. R. Emery £15 0 0

Streets (Act of 1883) Account.

No. 705. 1885, 21st December. Mrs. E. Brockwell ... 822 0 0
No. 706. 1885, 21st December. C. Baines and Ball ... 21 0 0

The said Cheques were thereupon cancelled accordingly.

6. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 22nd March, 1886.

Your Committee, on the 8th instant, made a Report on the subject of the treatment of the Sewage of the Metropolis, with a view to preventing its being a source of nuisance or a cause of complaint in future. They now think it desirable to make a further Report, setting out the various modes of dealing with the question which have been submitted for their consideration, and the course which, after long and careful examination, they have decided to recommend the Board to adopt.

The two Reports of the Royal Commission on Sewage Discharge were laid before the Board on the 8th of February and the 12th of December, 1884, respectively, and

were referred to your Committee for consideration and report. The principal conclusions and recommendations of the Commissioners to which it was necessary to direct attention were the following—

2.—That, in the opinion of the Commissioners, it is neither necessary nor justifiable to discharge the Sewage of the Metropolis in its crude state, into any part of the Thames.

3.—That some process of deposition, or precipitation, should be used to separate the solid from the liquid portions of the Sewage.

4.—That such process may be conveniently and speedily applied at the two present main outfalls.

10.—These conclusions were qualified by the opinion that the liquid so separated would not be sufficiently free from noxious matters to allow of its being discharged at the present outfalls as a *permanent* measure. It would require further purification, and this, according to the present state of knowledge, can only be done effectually by its application to land.

5.—That the solid matter deposited as sludge can be applied to the raising of low lying lands, or burnt, or dug into land, or carried away to sea.

6.—The entire process of precipitation and dealing with the sludge can be, and must be, effected without substantial nuisance to the neighbourhoods where they are carried on.

The Board's Engineer, Sir Joseph Bazalgette, had, it will be remembered, during the sittings of the Royal Commissioners laid before them a Plan by which the Sewage from the Barking and Crossness reservoirs might be conveyed through a culvert to Thames Haven, 34 miles below London Bridge, and there discharged in its crude state into the Thames at ebb tide. The attention of your Committee was necessarily directed to this proposal as indicating one of the possible solutions of the problem under examination. It was, however, by no means clear to your Committee, especially when they came to consider the Estimates of cost, that the carrying of the Sewage to Thames Haven would be either the most effective or the most economical way of dealing with it. Moreover, the proposal was open to the objection that, although places near the Metropolis, such as Erith, would be relieved of the presence of the Sewage, other places nearer the mouth of the River would consider themselves injured by its conveyance to their neighbourhood. This was sufficiently indicated by a communication which the Southend Local Board, immediately on hearing of the project, addressed to the Board, protesting strongly on behalf of the inhabitants of Southend against any attempt to carry out the proposal.

In connection with this suggestion for carrying the Sewage lower down the Thames, it may be mentioned that the Board received from the Home Department communications which had been addressed to the Secretary of State by Col. A. S. Jones and Mr. Bailey Denton, bringing before him a scheme for conveying the Sewage to Canvey Island and dealing with it there. The authors of the scheme seem to have propounded it on the assumption that the Board would decide to carry the Sewage to Thames Haven, a course which your Committee were not prepared to recommend. It was a further element of the scheme, that the Board should deliver the whole of the London Sewage over to Messrs. Jones and Denton, and should make them an annual payment of £110,000.

The view taken by your Committee and also by the Board itself, upon this part of the scheme was that it would not be consistent with the Board's duty to hand over the Sewage to be dealt with by other persons in consideration of a very large annual payment, and that the Board could not rid itself of its responsibility in that manner. The Home Department and the promoters of the scheme were informed to that effect.

Your Committee may here mention that they have had before them numerous suggestions from other persons whose attention seems to have been given to the Sewage

difficulty, but that none of them has seemed to your Committee to contain the promise of a satisfactory solution of it.

It appeared to your Committee that the Board ought, in the first instance, to apply itself to the determination of the question whether by chemical and mechanical treatment of the Sewage, the liquid might not be separated from the solid matter and further be freed of its noxious and offensive character to such an extent as to enable the effluent water to be discharged into the River without giving rise to any nuisance. The precipitation of the solid matter, and the consequent clarification of the Sewage waters, could, it was found after careful experiment, be satisfactorily effected by mixing with the Sewage proper proportions of lime and protosulphate of iron, and then allowing it to subside in settling tanks. This, however, would not be sufficient to insure complete immunity from smell arising from secondary fermentation, and a fresh development of offensive gases in hot weather. Such immunity, however, it was deemed absolutely necessary to attain.

The Royal Commissioners seem to have been of opinion that the only effectual way of attaining it was, after precipitation of the solid matter, to further purify the liquid by a process of filtration through earth, and they advised that such a process of filtration should be adopted if it were decided to discharge the Sewage effluent into the Thames, in the neighbourhood of the present outfalls.

The acquisition of sufficient land, however, in the neighbourhood of Barking and Crossness to enable the vast quantity of London Sewage to be effectually filtered through the soil, was found, upon examination, to be attended with such great difficulty, to say nothing of cost, that the Board conceived it to be its duty to endeavour, under competent advice, to find some other method sufficiently effective to obviate the necessity of earth filtration. What was required seemed to be an oxidising agent which would not only effect the immediate destruction of any offensive odour still remaining after chemical precipitation, but which would at the same time prevent the further development of offensive gases. It was found that permanganic acid was effectual in accomplishing both these objects.

Your Committee were extremely anxious that there should be no mistake in the conclusion arrived at upon this important point, as upon it would mainly depend the determination of the course which the Board should be advised to take. The opinion of four of the most eminent Chemists in England (one of them a member of the Royal Commission before referred to) was accordingly obtained by the Board. They all, after careful observation of the experiments made, gave it as their opinion that, if the effluent produced as above mentioned by precipitation with lime and protosulphate of iron were subsequently treated with manganate of soda and sulphuric acid, it would be deodorized and purified to such an extent as to render its discharge into the River unobjectionable at all states of the tide.

With this authoritative opinion before them, your Committee felt that the filtration difficulty might be regarded as overcome, and that the Board might safely conclude that the adoption of the process of precipitation, with the further resort to permanganic acid in hot weather would effectually render the discharge of the Sewage into the River innocuous and inoffensive all through the year.

This valuable conclusion arrived at, the next question your Committee had to consider was how the solid matter or sludge resulting from precipitation should be disposed of. This question, which forms the subject of the 5th recommendation in the Report of the Royal Commissioners, has received long and careful attention on the part of your Committee. It was thought that, whatever might be ultimately resolved upon as the best method of disposing of the sludge, it would be necessary in the first instance to press it into cakes. Suitable machinery for this purpose was accordingly set up at Crossness, and was found to work with such success that the Board soon found it expedient to supplement the first press by a very much larger one. Both of these are now in operation

in connection with the daily treatment of 9 million gallons of Sewage, and there seems reason to hope that the sludge, or the cake into which it is pressed, may be found useful for agricultural purposes, and that a demand for it may thus be created. Should that hope, however, not be realised, it will be for the Board to try the alternative suggested by the Commissioners, of carrying the sludge away to sea. It may be mentioned that the Board, acting upon one of the suggestions made by the Royal Commissioners, tried for some time the process of burning the pressed cake, but this process was found to be open to objection owing to the fumes resulting from the combustion. In anticipation of an ultimate resort to conveyance of the sludge to sea, estimates for a suitable vessel were some time ago invited by public advertisement, and a number of persons having complied with the invitation, the plans and estimates sent in are now being examined by the Board's Engineer and the President of the Institute of Civil Engineers, preparatory to a report to the Committee.

In considering this question it is necessary to bear in mind the enormous quantities of material that have to be dealt with. It is estimated that about 150 million gallons of Sewage is daily carried down to the outfalls. Supposing this quantity to be treated according to the methods mentioned in this Report, there would be a residue of 3,000 tons of sludge, which, when pressed would leave 850 tons to be disposed of daily.

It remains for your Committee to refer to the cost of the operations recommended in this Report, and in doing so it may be well to compare the cost with that of the only other proposal which it seemed open to the Board to adopt—that is to say, the proposal to convey the Sewage into the River at Thames Haven or Hole Haven. From information given by the Board's Engineer, it appears that the capital cost of conveying the Sewage to Thames Haven, and of the works that would have to be constructed there, would be $3\frac{3}{4}$ millions sterling, whereas the capital expenditure required for dealing with the Sewage at the present outfalls at Barking and Crossness, would be only about $\frac{3}{4}$ million. Comparing now the *annual* cost of the two proposals, it appears that the annual cost of treating the Sewage at the present outfalls, including interest on capital, depreciation of plant, wear and tear, and all other expenses is estimated at £118,000 a year, whilst the estimated annual expenditure involved in the conveyance of the Sewage to Hole Haven, and its treatment there by precipitation, is estimated at £215,000, or nearly £100,000 a year more.

Your Committee conclude this Report by expressing their hope that the result of their long deliberations upon this important question will meet with the Board's approval, and that the course which they have recommended for adoption will, when fully carried out, be found to effect the object which the Board has so long had in view, namely, the disposal of the Sewage of the Metropolis in such a manner that no nuisance shall hereafter arise from it.

(Signed) J. M^cGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ,
ROBT. JONES,
GEO. EDWARDS,
JNO. ABBOTT,
JOHN TOLHURST,
T. G. FARDELL,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
W^m. SHEPHERD,
W. ROBSON,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
JOHN BEDDISH,
SAM^l. PRICE,
P. W. FUNNELL,
G. HILL,

WILLIAM B. GARRETT,
CHA^s. HARRIS,
R. FREEMAN,
J. BONTHRON,
A. EWIN,
W. J. WETENHALL,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
W. A. LINDSAY,
WILLIAM BOUTCHER,
GEORGE JAMES,
W. ANDREWS,
HENRY HARBEN,
DONALD MUNRO,
FREDERICK COX,
THEO. W. WILLIAMS,
F. M. WENBORN.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Selway—That the Report of the Committee be adopted, and that it be referred back to them to obtain the necessary Plans and Estimates, and to lay them before the Board.

The motion having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

Mr. Fowler and Mr. Selway, by leave of the Board, withdrew the motions which they had given notice of their intention to move on the 12th instant upon the bringing up of the Report from the Works and General Purposes Committee, on the steps taken for the precipitation and deodorization works in connection with the Metropolitan Sewage, the consideration of which Report was deferred by the Board on the 12th instant (No. 8) until this day.

7. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 22nd March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account.</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Cove (Battersea)—(825)—</i>							
Cove, H. J.—							
101	Proportion of tenant's Rent of No. 62, Battersea-bridge-road, from Midsummer to 15th August, 1885 (less Tax)	...	...	...			2 11 10
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>							
<i>Re Hanson and Bowden (Putney)—(826)—</i>							
Deacon, Son and Gibson—							
35	Costs of Title and Conveyance...	...	...	8	2	10	
<i>Re Goose (Battersea)—(827)—</i>							
Goose, Robert—							
36	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 40, Battersea-bridge-road	...	...	£230	-	-	
37	Trade compensation	...	...	1,290	-	-	
					1,520	-	-
Baines, C., and Ball—							
38	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	...	27	6	-	
<i>Re Hardy (Battersea)—(828)—</i>							
Lake, Beaumont and Lake—							
39	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	12	3	8	
							1,567 12 6
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>							
<i>Re Bridge House Estate (Southwark-bridge-road)—(829)—</i>							
Bank of England—							
8699	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 107 to 109, Blackman-street, and the "Fountain and Grapes" Public-house, corner of Mint-street...	...	...	...	10,375	-	-
	Carried forward	...		£10,375	-	-	1,570 4 4

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	10,375	-	-	1,570	4	4
<i>Re Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Southwark-bridge-road)</i>								
—(830)—								
White, Borrett and Co.—								
8700	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	17	3	7			
<i>Re Reynolds (Charing-cross)—(831)—</i>								
Cooke, W. C.—								
8701	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	6	-	-			
<i>Re Lilley (Charing-cross)—(832)—</i>								
Lilley, Jno. Hy.—								
8702	Purchase-money for Freehold of No. 18, Denmark-street, Soho	...	1,760	-	-			
Arber, Rutter and Waghorn—								
8703	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	23	2	-			
<i>Re Denman and Burgess (Charing-cross)—(833)—</i>								
Denman, Mrs. Frances Ann, and Burgess, Wm. Hitchcock—								
8704	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in cellars under the Baptist Chapel, Moor-street, Soho, including Trade compensation	...	450	-	-			
Orgill, J. J., Swann and Orgill—								
8705	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	12	12	-			
<i>Re Hanlon (Piccadilly, &c., Improvement)—(882)—</i>								
Hanlon, R.—								
8706	Compensation for loss of fixtures removed by the Board	...	10	-	-			
						12,653	17	7
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re Benham (Upper-street, Islington)—(834)—</i>								
Jaques, Layton and Jaques—								
888	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	25	1	1			
<i>Re Callon (Bermondsey)—(835)—</i>								
Fairfoot, Webb and Rooke—								
889	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	5	13	2			
<i>Re Ward (Bermondsey)—(836)—</i>								
Ward, Hy. Richard—								
890	Purchase-money for yearly Tenancy in No. 33, Star-corner	...	200	-	-			
<i>Re Hall (Bermondsey)—(837)—</i>								
Hall, Mrs. Anne—								
891	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in No. 5, Bermondsey-square	...	80	-	-			
Baines, C., and Ball—								
892	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	5	5	-			
<i>Re Islington Dispensary (Upper-street, Islington)—(838)—</i>								
Dove, F. J., Hill, D. W., and Price, J. B.—								
893	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 303, Upper-street, Islington	...	£1,000	-	-			
894	Business, &c., compensation	...	500	-	-			
						1,500	-	-
Carried forward			...	£1,815	19 3	14,224	1 11	

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	1,815	19	3	14,224	1	11
895	Preliminary Costs, as per Contract	...	15	15	-			
	Dove, H. S.—							
896	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	22	1	-	1,853	15	3
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re Hutchinson—(839)—</i>								
	Bell, Stewards and May—							
317	Costs of obtaining concurrence of Lord of the Manor in conveyance and enrolling same	...	6	19	6			
<i>Re Foxwell—(840 and 841)—</i>								
	Foxwell, T.—							
318	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 1 to 7, Yorkshire-grey-road	...	950	-	-			
	Farebrother, Ellis and Co.—							
319	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	18	18	-			
	Bell, Stewards and May—							
320	Steward's Fee on enrolling Conveyance on Court rolls	...	7	10	-			
<i>Re Sir S. M. M. Wilson—(842)—</i>								
	Wilson, Sir S. M. M., per Bell, Stewards and May—							
321	Purchase-money for Enfranchisement of interest in land, &c.—							
	<i>Re Crawley</i>	...	£1,100	-	-			
	„ Haward (1st purchase)...	...	400	-	-			
	„ City of London Brewery Co.	...	215	-	-	1,715	-	-
<i>Re Culverhouse—(843)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 2, Church-place—							
322	Culverhouse, Jno., per Lovell, Son and Pitfield	...	£400	-	-			
323	Culverhouse, Geo.	...	800	-	-	1,200	-	-
						3,898	7	6
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Ratcliff (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(844)—</i>								
	Lawford, Waterhouse and Lawford—							
5727	Steward's Fee and Costs of enrolling Conveyance	...	5	5	-			
<i>Re Miller (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(845)—</i>								
	Sharpe, Parkers and Co.—							
5728	Costs of Arbitration	...	18	14	-			
<i>Re Wood (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(846)—</i>								
	Humfrys, W. J.—							
5729	Interest on Purchase money, from 7th August, 1884, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	...	£14	11	-			
5730	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	10	19	8	25	10	8
	Carried forward	...	£49	9	8	19,976	4	8

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	49	9	8	19,976	4	8
<i>Re</i> C. Smith (Tench-street)—(847)—								
	Parkes, E. W.—							
5731	Costs of Arbitration	...	19	10	10			
<i>Re</i> Hillier (Windmill-row)—(848)—								
	Hillier, Jno.—							
5732	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 17, King-street, Lambeth	...	410	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Ford (Tench-street)—(849)—								
	Billinghurst, Wood and Pope—							
5733	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	8	7	-			
<i>Re</i> Dowsing (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(850)—								
	Lawford, Waterhouse and Lawford—							
5734	Steward's Fee, and Costs of enrolling Con- veyance	...	5	5	-			
	Wells, H. H.—							
5735	Interest on Purchase-money from 15th February to 15th March, 1886 (less Tax)	...	2	19	4			
<i>Re</i> Billingsley (Tench-street)—(851)—								
	Merriman, Pike and Merriman—							
5736	Costs of Arbitration	...	22	15	6			
<i>Re</i> Paterson (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(852)—								
	Aird, H.—							
5737	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	5	5	-			
<i>Re</i> Cronmire's Trustees (Tench-street)—(853)—								
	Bank of England—							
5738	Purchase-money for Fee-simple in Nos. 8, 10 and 12, Lower Gun-alley	...	240	-	-			
						763	12	4
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>							
<i>Re</i> Pomeroy (Bermondsey)—(794)—								
	Pomeroy, A.—							
1558	Return of amount deposited upon execution of tenancy Agreement in respect of No. 19, Bermondsey-new-road	...				50	-	-
						£20,789	17	-

Your Committee beg to submit, for the information of the Board, a marked Catalogue and Account of sale of building materials of premises in South Lambeth by Messrs. C. and H. White on the 3rd instant—

Gross proceeds of sale	...	...	...	£397	3	6
Commission £7 10s. per cent	...	...	...	29	15	9
Amount received by Board, 10th March, 1886	...	...	...	£367	7	9

Your Committee have further to report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of the Board of the 8th January last (No. 8), referring it to them to consider the subject of the salaries and classification of the subordinate Officers of the Board, with a view of ascertaining whether any, and what alterations should be made in the position and salary of any of the Officers. Your Committee have carefully considered the question, and have had before them Reports from the heads of the several Departments, with the

exception of your Superintending Architect, the consideration of the cases in that Department having been deferred for the present. Your Committee now beg to submit the following recommendations—

Clerk's Department.

That Mr. H. F. Moore, who is now receiving £200 a year, the maximum salary of the Second Class, be promoted to the First Class, at the commencing salary of £200 a year.

That Mr. H. W. Bridges, who is now receiving £200 a year, the maximum salary of the Second Class, be promoted to the First Class, at the commencing salary of £200 a year.

That, in consideration of the extra time (often late in the evening) devoted by Mr. Nairn to the discharge of his duties as Superintendent of Common-keepers, and of the incidental expenses to which he is subjected, the allowance of £18 a year now received by him over and above his salary of £300 a year as a First-class Clerk be increased to £40 a year.

That the wages of E. W. White, Assistant Hall-porter, be increased from 20s. to 22s. a week.

Accountant's Department.

That Mr. E. Booth, who is now receiving £150 a year, the maximum salary of the Third Class, be promoted to the Second Class, at the commencing salary of £150 a year.

That Mr. F. W. G. Hulme, who is now in the Fourth Class, and receiving £95 a year, be promoted to the Third Class, at the commencing salary of £100 a year.

That Mr. A. L. Farrow, who is now in the Fourth Class, and receiving £95 a year, be promoted to the Third Class, at the commencing salary of £100 a year.

Engineer's Department.

That the salary of Mr. Gunion be increased from £800 to £1,000 a year, by two annual instalments of £100 each.

That the salary of Mr. C. Elwin be increased from £300 to £340, by two annual instalments of £20 each.

That Mr. W. F. Crane, who is now receiving £100 a year, the maximum salary of the Fourth Class, be promoted to the Third Class, and that his salary be increased to £120 a year.

That W. Park and F. Cowdrey, Chainmen, who now receive 21s. a week, do have their pay increased to 24s. a week.

Solicitor's Department.

That the salary of Mr. E. C. Davies be increased from £400 to £425 a year.

That the salary of Mr. T. Burton be increased from £350 to £375 a year.

That a gratuity of £20 be granted to Mr. W. A. Hawes, in consideration of his late hours of work.

That Mr. G. R. Rand, who is now in the Third Class, and receiving £130 a year, be promoted to the Second Class, at the commencing salary of £150 a year.

That Mr. W. S. Toynbee, who is now in the Fourth Class, and receiving £90 a year, be promoted to the Third Class, at the minimum salary of that Class, viz., £100 a year.

That the pay of Mr. E. R. Brown, a temporary Copying Clerk, be increased from £2 to £2 5s. a week.

That the pay of C. Park, Messenger, be increased from £1 7s. to £1 9s. a week.

That the pay of W. E. Manning, Messenger, be increased from £1 to £1 3s. a week.

Chemical and Gas Department.

That the salary of Mr. R. Grimwood be increased from £250 to £275 a year.

Your Committee have from time to time had before them the case of a workman named Joseph Canworthy, who was appointed by the Board on the 2nd March, 1866, upon the staff of the Crossness Pumping Station, and who, in consequence of illness resulting from injuries sustained in the performance of his duties, has, since October, 1883, been in receipt of an allowance in lieu of wages. Canworthy met with the injuries referred to in October, 1879, when he fell from the scaffolding in the pump well, breaking two of his ribs and sustaining other injury. He was then rendered incapable of working for a period of two months, and during that time the Board

allowed his full pay, 26s. per week, to be continued. It should be stated that Canworthy had at a much earlier period, namely, in 1864, when he was in the employment of the Contractor for the erection of the Pumping Station, also met with an accident and received an injury to his skull. From the medical Certificates which have been laid before your Committee it appears that Canworthy's present illness is due to the injuries which have befallen him on the two occasions above referred to, and that he will probably be never again able to follow his employment, which is that of fitter's labourer. An allowance of half-pay, and subsequently of 7s. per week, has been made to Canworthy for a lengthened period, and it appears to your Committee that the time has arrived when some definite course should be taken. They therefore recommend—

That the allowance of 7s. per week be continued to Canworthy for a further period of three months, and that his engagement with the Board be then terminated.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
GEO. EDWARDS,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
WM. SHEPHERD,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The marked Catalogue and Account of sale of building materials of premises in South Lambeth, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. H. F. Moore, Assistant in the Clerk's Department, be promoted to the First Class, at the commencing salary of £200 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. H. W. Bridges, Assistant in the Clerk's Department, be promoted to the First Class, at the commencing salary of £200 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That, in consideration of the extra time given by Mr. Nairn to the discharge of his duties as Superintendent of Common-keepers, and of the incidental expenses to which he is subjected, the allowance of £18 a year now received by him over and above his salary of £300 a year, as an Assistant in the Clerk's Department, be increased to £40 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the wages of E. W. White, Assistant Hall-porter, be increased from 20s. to 22s. a week.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. E. Booth, Assistant in the Accountant's Department, be promoted to the Second Class, at the commencing salary of £150 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. F. W. G. Hulme, Assistant in the Accountant's Department, be promoted to the Third Class, at a commencing salary of £100 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. A. L. Farrow, Assistant in the Accountant's Department, be promoted to the Third Class, at the commencing salary of £100 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the salary of Mr. Gunyon, Superintending Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, be increased from £800 to £1,000 a year, by two annual instalments of £100 each.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the salary of Mr. C. Elwin, Constructive Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, be increased from £300 to £340 a year, by two annual instalments of £20 each.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That Mr. W. F. Crane, Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, be promoted to the Third Class, and that his salary be increased to £120 a year.

An *amendment* thereon was *moved* by Mr. Edwards, and seconded by Mr. Shepherd—That Mr. W. F. Crane, Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, be promoted to the Third Class.

After discussion the *amendment* was put to the vote, when there for it 17, against it 12, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and having been put as an *original motion*, it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the pay of W. Park and F. Cowdrey, Chainmen, be increased to 24s. a week.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the salary of Mr. E. C. Davies, Assistant in the Solicitor's Department, be increased from £400 to £425 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the salary of Mr. T. Burton, Assistant in the Solicitor's Department, be increased from £350 to £375 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a gratuity of £20 be granted to Mr. W. A. Hawes, Assistant in the Solicitor's Department, in consideration of his late hours of work.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That Mr. G. R. Rand, Assistant in the Solicitor's Department, be promoted to the Second Class, at the commencing salary of £150 a year.

After discussion the *motion* was put to the vote, when there were for it 24, against it 9.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—26.

Baker, F. G., Esq.	James, G., Esq.
Boutcher, W., Esq.	Lawrence, E., Esq.
Bradfield, J. E., Esq.	Mossop, C., Esq.
	Munro, Lieut.-Col.
Brown, G., Esq.	Pocock, A., Esq.
Ewin, A., Esq.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Fairelough, T. M., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Funnell, P. W., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq., Deputy.
Garrett, W. B., Esq.	Selway, W. R., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Urquhart, W., Esq.
Hewitt, W. H., Esq.	Weir, B., Esq.
Hughes, Lieut.-Col., M.P.	Wetenhall, W. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Fowler.

Against the Motion—14.

Bonthron, J., Esq.	Lenanton, J., Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq., M.P.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Debenham, W., Esq.	Shepherd, W., Esq.
Harben, H., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Hill, G., Esq.	Wenborn, Captain.
Jones, J., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Edwards.

And it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That Mr. W. S. Toynbee, Assistant in the Solicitor's Department, be promoted to the Third Class at the minimum salary of that Class, viz., £100 a year.

The *motion* having been put to the vote, there were for it 26, against it 12, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the pay of Mr. E. R. Brown, Copying Clerk in the Solicitor's Department, be increased from £2 to £2 5s. a week.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the pay of C. Park, Messenger in the Solicitor's Department, be increased from £1 7s. to £1 9s. a week.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the pay of W. E. Manning, Messenger in the Solicitor's Department, be increased from £1 to £1 3s. a week.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the salary of Mr. R. Grimwood, Chemical Assistant, be increased from £250 to £275 a year.

After discussion, the **motion** was put to the vote, when there were for it 21, against it 8, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was subsequently **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and **resolved**—That the promotions of Officers and additions to their salaries and allowances, as mentioned in the foregoing Resolutions, do date from Christmas last.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the recommendation of the Committee with respect to Joseph Canworthy, Fitter's labourer, employed at Crossness Pumping Station, be approved.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Runtz, and seconded by Mr. Edwards—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

8. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 16th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.
12th January, 1885.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Parish.
1st January, 1886.	Mr. Leonard Hill, on behalf of Mrs. Adams, relative to inconvenience arising from the existence of two roads within a mile of each other, named Bartholomew-road, and St. Bartholomew-road, and asking that one of the roads may be re-named.

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the subsidiary names in Bridge-street, Greenwich, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in King-street, Deptford, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Regent-street, Deptford, be re-numbered.

That the houses and premises in York-road, Commercial-road East, be re-numbered.

That the houses and premises in Baker's-mews, Baker-street, St. Marylebone, be re-numbered.

That the houses and premises in Montagu-mews South, Upper George-street, St. Marylebone, be re-numbered.

That for the present no alteration be made in the names of the undermentioned streets in the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, the Vestry having stated that many of the streets on the Westminster Estate will probably be greatly altered in the course of a few years, viz.—

Blenheim-street, New Bond-street.
 Chapel-street, South Audley-street.
 Charles-street, Berkeley-square.
 Charles-street, Grosvenor-square.
 Dean-street, South Audley-street.
 Duke-street, Grosvenor-square.
 George-street, Grosvenor-square.
 George-street, Hanover-square.
 George-yard, Grosvenor-square.
 Grafton-street, New Bond-street.

King-street, Park-street.
 Market-street, Curzon-street.
 Princes-street, Hanover-square.
 Queen-street, Curzon-street.
 Queen-street, Grosvenor-square.
 South-street, South Audley-street.
 Union-street, Hill-street.
 Union-street, New Bond-street.
 Union-yard, New Bond-street.

That no alteration be made in the numbering of the houses in Robert-street, Grosvenor square.

That Leverton-cottages and Assembly-row, Falkland-road, St. Pancras, be incorporated under the name "Falkland-place, N.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Lewis-street, Hartland-road, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Patshull-road, Kentish-town, be re-numbered.

That Rilla-place, Sussex-passage, and Powlett-place, Harmood-street, St. Pancras, be incorporated under the name "Powlett-place, N.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That Mr. Leonard Hill be informed, in reply to his Letter, on behalf of Mrs. Adams, relative to inconvenience arising from two roads within a mile of each other, being named Bartholomew-road and St. Bartholomew-road, and asking that one of the roads may be re-named, that the Board are unable to comply with his request.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
 FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
 W. R. SELWAY,
 W^M. SHEPHERD,
 JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Bridge-street, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,662, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 139, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 76, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Matilda-place, Alexander-terrace, Bridge-place, Esther-place, Hockley's-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Bridge-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Bridge-street, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and

premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of King-street, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,663, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 51, being assigned to the houses on the South-Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 36, to those on the North-Western side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest the Broadway; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "King-street, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Regent-street, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,664, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 51, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 48, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the name Hill's-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Regent-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Regent-street, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of York-road, in the Hamlet of Ratcliff and the Parish of St. Anne, Limehouse, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,665, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 35, being assigned to the houses on the North-Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 26, to those on the South-Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Commercial-road East; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "York-road, E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Limehouse District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Baker's-mews, Baker-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 19, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,666, in

lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Montagu-mews South, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 29, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,667, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That for the present no alteration be made in the names of the several streets in the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, mentioned in the Report of the Committee, the Vestry having stated that many of the streets on the Westminster Estate will probably be greatly altered in the course of a few years.

An amendment thereon was **moved** by Mr. Cook, M.P., and seconded by Mr. Selway—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That no alteration be made in the numbering of the houses in Robert-street, Grosvenor-square.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Levertton-cottages and Assembly-row, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,668, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; [the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 19, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 26, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the names Levertton-cottages and Assembly-row, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Falkland-place, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and

premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Lewis-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,669, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 55, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 14, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the name Canterbury-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Lewis-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Lewis-street, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

~~Resolve~~, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and ~~ordered~~, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Patshull-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,670, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 97, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 86, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Patshull-road, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 16th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

~~Resolve~~, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and ~~ordered~~, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Sussex-passage, Powlett-place, and Rilla-place, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,671, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 33, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 16, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Sussex-passage and Rilla-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole be called "Powlett-place, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That Mr. Leonard Hill be informed in reply to his Letter, on behalf of Mrs. Adams, relative to inconvenience arising from two roads, within a mile of each other, being named "Bartholomew-road" and "St. Bartholomew-road," and asking that one of the roads might be re-named, that the Board are unable to comply with his request.

9. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 23rd March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that proceedings have been taken against Mrs. H.

B. Davis, No. 18, Pembroke-street, Islington, for keeping Infants unlawfully, and that she was fined 40s. and 5s. costs, or, in default, one month's imprisonment.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Messrs. Cow, Hill and Co., for the renewal of their Petroleum License. The conditions of storage continue satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That a License be granted to Messrs. Cow, Hill, and Co., for a period of twelve months from the 26th instant, for the keeping of 3,000 gallons of Petroleum at their premises at Streatham-common, in accordance with the terms of the draft License submitted.

Your Committee also submit a list of 79 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and recommend—

That in 69 cases Licenses be granted to keep a quantity not exceeding 10 gallons of Petroleum in each case at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91; that in two cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in a store situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90, and that in 8 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in the manner described in such Licenses.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
F. M. WENBORN,
W. J. WETENHALL.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That a License be granted to Messrs. Cow, Hill, and Co., for a period of Twelve months from this date, for the keeping of 3,000 gallons of Petroleum at their premises at Streatham-common, in accordance with the terms of the draft License now submitted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the seventy-nine persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

10. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, Executive Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1878, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 23rd March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the claims of 13 owners in respect of 41 animals slaughtered in consequence of having been affected with Pleuro-pneumonia, and that they have awarded sums amounting to £560 5s., as compensation for such animals. The sum of £241 9s. 5d. has been received for the carcasses, hides, &c., of the animals, leaving the net cost to the Board £318 15s. 7d.

Your Committee have further to report that they have examined claims in respect of 15 swine slaughtered in consequence of having been affected with Swine (Typhoid) Fever, and that they have awarded sums amounting to £13 10s., as compensation for such animals.

Statements of the amounts awarded have been forwarded to the Finance Committee for payment.

Your Committee have also to report that proceedings have been taken against the following persons—

David Davies, of No. 10, Sumner-street, Deptford, who was fined 10s. and 2s. costs for selling milk without being registered.

Jane Huggett, of No. 106, King-street, Woolwich, who was ordered to pay 2s., cost of summons, for a similar offence.

John Hathway, of No. 30, Gas-street, Oxford, who was fined £20 and 2s. costs for sending a farcied horse by rail from Oxford to Maiden-lane Railway Station.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
F. M. WENBORN,
W. J. WETENHALL.

The Report having been read,

It was moved by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received.

11. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 24th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that it is necessary to sow grass seed on various places under the Board's control in order that the turf which has become worn may be renovated. 139 bushels of seed are required for the purpose, at an estimated cost of £104 5s. and your Committee recommend—

That the seed be obtained accordingly, and be distributed amongst the various places in the proportions named—

Finsbury-park	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 bushel
Southwark-park	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 "
Hackney-downs	...	...	...	...	...	...	60 "
London-fields	...	...	...	...	...	...	20 "
Well-street-common	...	...	...	...	...	...	20 "
Blackheath	...	...	...	...	...	...	4 "
Clapham-common	...	...	...	...	...	...	6 "
Peckham-rye and Goose-green	...	...	...	...	...	...	6 "
Streatham-green	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 "
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	<u>139</u> "

The Board on the 26th February last (No. 9) having decided as to the permanent labour which might be employed for ordinary routine work at the various Parks, Gardens, and Open Spaces under the control of the Board, your Committee have now to report that, in order to prepare for re-sowing and to carry out other special works, it is necessary that some temporary additional labour should be sanctioned, viz., 6 men for one month on the Hackney Commons, 1 man for two weeks at Southwark-park, and 2 men for two weeks on Blackheath. This will involve an estimated expenditure of £36, and your Committee recommend—

That the Board do sanction the expenditure of that amount.

Your Committee have further to report that it is necessary that horses and carts should be employed in connection with the Board's Gardens and Open Spaces,

viz., a horse and cart for 3 days in the Victoria Embankment Gardens, 2 horses and carts for 9 weeks on Hackney-downs, and 2 horses and carts for 2 weeks on Blackheath. This will involve a probable outlay of £67 10s., and your Committee beg to recommend—

That the expenditure of that sum be sanctioned.

The Board are re-erecting closets in Southwark-park, and it is desirable that a mound should be formed to screen the same from observation. There will be no difficulty in obtaining the necessary quantity of soil for the purpose, but in order that no damage may be done whilst it is being carted over the tar paved paths, it is desirable that a sufficient number of planks should be obtained. Your Committee beg to recommend—

That an expenditure of £30 be sanctioned for the purpose.

Your Committee have further to report with regard to Southwark-park, that 2,000 feet of 4½ inch by 1 inch deal edging, 200 feet of 2 inch by 2 inch stakes, and 400 feet of 9 inch by 1 inch, and 100 feet of 9 inch by ½ inch deal, together with ½ cwt. of nails, are required, and they beg to recommend—

That the articles be obtained at an estimated cost of £12 12s.

Under the authority conferred on them by the Board on the 13th June, 1873 (No. 13), your Committee have authorised the purchase of tobacco powder for use in Finsbury-park, and flower pots and white lead for use in Southwark-park, brooms for use on Clapham-common and Peckham-rye, tools for Blackheath, and shrubs for placing around the watch-box on Plumstead-common. They have also authorised the painting of three small watch-boxes on Hampstead-heath, and the formation of a brick chamber for the water supply valve in Finsbury-park.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. E. BRADFELD,
GEO. EDWARDS,
WM. SHEPHERD,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the undermentioned quantities of grass seed be obtained for use on the following places at an estimated cost of £104 5s., viz.—

Finsbury-park	...	...	...	...	...	10 bushels.
Southwark-park	...	...	...	...	...	12 „
Hackney-downs	...	...	...	...	...	60 „
London-fields	...	...	...	...	...	20 „
Well-street-common	...	...	...	...	...	20 „
Blackheath	...	...	...	...	...	4 „
Clapham-common	...	...	...	...	...	6 „
Peckham-rye and Goose-green	...	...	...	...	...	6 „
Streatham-green	...	...	...	...	...	1 „
Total	...	...	...	...	...	<u>139</u>

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the Board do sanction the employment of extra labour at the undermentioned places for the purposes named in the Report, at a total estimated cost of £36, viz.—

6 men for one month on Hackney Commons.

1 man for two weeks at Southwark-park.

2 men for two weeks on Blackheath.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the Board do sanction an expenditure of £67 10s. for horse hire at the following places. viz:—

Victoria Embankment Gardens, 1 horse and cart for 3 days.

Hackney-downs, 2 horses and carts for 9 weeks

Blackheath, 2 horses and carts for 2 weeks.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That an expenditure of £30 be sanctioned for the purchase of planks to protect the tar-paved paths in Southwark-park during the formation of a mound to screen the closets in course of re-erection there.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That 2,000 feet of 4½ inch by 1 inch deal edging, 200 feet of 2 inch by 2 inch stakes, and 400 feet of 9 inch by 1 inch, and 100 feet of 9 inch by ½ inch deal, together with ½ cwt. of nails, be obtained for use in Southwark-park at an estimated cost of £12 12s.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in their Report, be approved.

12. Mr. Shepherd, the Chairman of the Bridges Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BRIDGES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 24th March, 1886.

Your Committee beg to report that their attention has been called to the advisability of closing the temporary Bridge at Hammersmith, on the occasion of the boat race on the 3rd April next. Your Engineer has informed your Committee that the Bridge is capable of sustaining any possible accumulated weight from people crowding upon it; but as it is uncertain whether its parapets would safely resist the abnormal pressure of an excited crowd, he advises that the Bridge should be closed during the race. Your Committee have therefore given instructions for the Bridge to be closed from one hour before, until one hour after the race.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had before them a Letter from Mr. J. S. Gabriel, relative to the dangerous condition of a portion of the brickwork of the arch at No. 21, Howley-place, and suggesting that it should be shored up. The arch referred to supports the area of one of the houses on the West side of the Surrey approach to Waterloo Bridge, and your Engineer states that the arches in the approach are a great source of danger to the tenants and occupiers, and also to the Board's Officers, whenever they have to enter and inspect the condition of the Board's property. Under these circumstances your Committee beg to recommend—

That the Superintending Architect be instructed to take such steps as he may consider necessary under the Dangerous Structures Act, for dealing with the matter.

Your Committee have had before them a further communication from Mr. Gabriel, complaining of the leakage of water in the arches of the Southern approach to Waterloo Bridge. On the receipt of the Letter, your Committee instructed your Engineer to ascertain the cause of the complaint, and this necessitated the opening of the roadway. On inspection a leak was discovered in the main belonging to the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company, and a leak was also found in the same arch due to a defective ferrule from the main of the Lambeth Waterworks Company. The approximate cost of making the opening in the latter case was £6. 10s., and in the former £9. 5s. Your Committee recommend—

That the Accountant be instructed to transmit to the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company, and the Lambeth Waterworks Company, Accounts amounting respectively to £9 5s. and £6 10s., for expenses incurred by the Board in making openings to ascertain the cause of leakage through the arches in the Southern approach to Waterloo Bridge.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) WM. SHEPHERD,
GEO. EDWARDS,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the course taken by the Committee in giving instructions for the temporary Bridge at Hammersmith to be closed from one hour before until one hour after the Boat-race on 3rd April next, be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. J. S. Gabriel, as to the dangerous condition of a portion of the brickwork of the arch, No. 21, Howley-place, in the Southern approach to Waterloo Bridge, be approved; and that the Superintending Architect do take such steps as he may consider necessary, under the Dangerous Structures Act, for dealing with the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Accountant do send to the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company and the Lambeth Waterworks Company Accounts amounting respectively to £9 5s. and £6 10s. for expenses incurred by the Board in making openings to ascertain the cause of leakage in the arches of the Southern approach to Waterloo Bridge.

13. It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the consideration of the Report of the Parliamentary Committee relative to the Board's Petition against the Horse Guards-avenue Bill, be further adjourned until the next Meeting of the Board.
14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th March, 1886, on an application from the Westminster District Board, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfare for the period and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application.	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1886. 24th March	Great Chapel-street ...	Paving.	3 weeks.	3 weeks.	Victoria, &c., Streets.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the Westminster District Board, for the purpose of executing paving work therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th March, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal were required for use at the Crossness Pumping Station—

						ESTIMATE.
1000 Tons of Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	...	£704 3 4
400 „ Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	...	368 6 8
20 „ Wallsend Coal	...	...	...	...	...	18 10 0
(Periodical allowance to staff)						
Total	...	...	...	...	...	£1,091 0 0

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

16. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill, 1886, was still awaiting appointment to a Select Committee of the House of Commons; that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been adjourned until the 6th April; and that the debate on the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill had been adjourned until the 13th April.
17. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill, introduced by Mr. Dixon-Hartland, had been adjourned until the 2nd April.

18. The Solicitor reported that the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill had been appointed to be considered by a Committee of the whole House this day.
19. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill, in the House of Lords, had been fixed for this day.
20. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

21. The Solicitor reported that the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 2) Bill had been introduced by Lord Ashford, and read a first time in the House of Lords on Friday last, and that the second reading had been appointed for this evening.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a copy of the Bill be sent to each Member of the Board.

22. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee of the House of Commons relative to the River Lee would meet for the first time this day to choose their Chairman, and to consider their course of proceeding.

23. The Solicitor presented an Agreement, prepared pursuant to the Board's Resolution of 5th instant (No 11), between Mr. Mumford, Messrs. Kellett and Bentley, and the Board as to the investment in Metropolitan Stock, in the joint names of the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, of the balance of retention money under the Contract for the construction of the Lee and Eltham Sewer, pending the arrival of the time when it will become payable to the Contractors, or their Mortgagee, and he suggested that the Board should direct the Seal to be affixed to such Agreement, and also to the Deed of Indemnity to the Chairman and the Chairman of the Finance Committee for allowing their names to be used.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the suggestion of the Solicitor be approved and acted upon, and that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Agreement and Deed of Indemnity; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

24. The Solicitor reported that the arrangement as to the undermentioned Loan had been completed, and that the Cheques for the amount had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities—

						AMOUNT OF LOAN.
Fulham District Board	...	...	...	...	...	£5,000

25. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Bartlett, an Assistant in the Conveyancing branch of his Department, had been absent last week in consequence of illness, but that he had since returned to his duties, and that Mr. Lambert, a First-class Officer in the Department, had resigned his appointment.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the resignation be accepted, and that it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, to report as to filling up the vacancy.

26. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Conveyance by Mrs. E. F. Francis, of leasehold interest in Nos. 1 and 2, Helen's-place, and Nos. 2, 3 and 4, Chester-street, Bethnal-green, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Green-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement).

Conveyance by Mr. J. T. Nock, and his Mortgagees, of ground forming the site of No. 6, Essex-place, Wells-street, Poplar, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Wells-street, Poplar, Scheme).

Conveyance by Mrs. M. Walton, and her Trustees, of No. 2, Maynard's-court, Tench-street, St. George-in-the-East, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Tench-street Scheme).

Agreement (Quadripartite) between the Feoffees and Trustees of Addey's Charity, Mrs. G. H. Pilgrim and Mr. M. Neagle, and the Board, for apportionment of rent in respect of No. 112, Church-street, Deptford, taken for the purposes of the Southern Low Level and Bermondsey Branch Main Drainage Sewers.

Agreement for the purchase by the Board from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of the reversion in land and premises in the King's-road and Pratt-street, St. Pancras, taken as a site for a Fire Brigade Station.

Conveyance by Mr. T. W. Ratcliff of Nos. 8, 9, 10 and 13, Blue-anchor-alley, and Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Hamlet-court, Ratcliff, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Brook-street, Limehouse, Scheme).

Notice, in duplicate, as to defects in the "Hope" Music-hall, in Banner-street, St. Luke's, prepared in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 5th instant (No. 13).

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

27. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the re-payment of the Loan of £15,000 to the Greenwich District Board, and he suggested that this Board should pass an Order authorising the District Board to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, and a Cheque for £18 15s. for the Stamp-duty on the Mortgage-deed.

It was thereupon moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved, and ordered, as follows—

~~Whereas~~, the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board, under the first-mentioned Act, within the said District, of a sum of Fifteen thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said District Board in executing certain granite paving, wood paving and kerbing works in the unpaved portions of the Greenwich-road, London-street, Romney-road, and Trafalgar-road to the North-East side of Marsh-lane, all within the said District. ~~And whereas~~, the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Fifteen thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purposes aforesaid—Therefore it is ordered that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Fifteen thousand pounds, for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid, as to Twelve thousand pounds required for granite paving and kerbing works, by equal annual instalments within a period of Twenty years, and as to Three thousand pounds, required for wood paving works, by equal annual instalments within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque for the sum of £15,000 be now drawn in favour of the Greenwich District Board, and also a Cheque

for £18 15s. for Stamp-duty ; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital Account and the General Working Account accordingly.

28. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £14,000 to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, and a Cheque for £17 10s. for the Stamp-duty on the Mortgage-deed.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Saint Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first-mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of Fourteen thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred by the said Vestry in executing certain wood paving works in Baker-street, Duke-street (Manchester-square), and High-street (Manchester-square), in part of Maida-vale (from Abercorn-place to the Parish boundary) in part of Marylebone-lane (from Henrietta-street to Wigmore-street), in part of Regent-street (from Castle-street to Mortimer-street), and in Thayer-street and York-place, all within the said Parish. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Fourteen thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Fourteen thousand pounds, for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £14,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of St. Marylebone, and also a Cheque for £17 10s. for Stamp-duty ; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital Account and the General Working Account accordingly.

29. It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That Mr. Lawrence be appointed on the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee.

30. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 12th instant (No. 9), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

York-street	...	...	...	Shoreditch and Bethnal-green.
Durnford-place, &c.	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
Leybourne-road...	...	...	...	Do.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

31. The Clerk presented a Letter from the Royal Institute of British Architects, dated 18th March, 1886, submitting suggestions with regard to the Bye-laws made by the Board under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878,

with respect to the description and quality of the substance of walls, and the Fees to be paid to District Surveyors.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

32. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. G. Robertson, Editor of the *Court and Society Review*, with reference to the question of licensing and supervision of Theatres and Music-halls, stating that in the opinion of those whose interests were at stake, the present divided authority and competing jurisdictions were mischievous, and that some action ought to be taken in the matter; and asking to be favoured with a communication on the general question, to be published in the next issue of the *Review*.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

33. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. A. A. Baumann, M.P., on behalf of a Committee of Metropolitan Members of Parliament, dated 23rd March, 1886, as to correspondence on the subject of the distress in London, and the extent and nature of any works of real and acknowledged public utility that might be undertaken by the Board, and asking to be informed as to what statutory powers the Board at present possess for carrying out the works mentioned in his Letter, what are the obstacles to the execution of those powers, how soon the Board contemplate the removal of those obstacles, and what assistance, if any, could the Metropolitan Members give the Board with a view to facilitating the commencement of some, at all events, of the works.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

34. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. Parish, Clerk to the Erith Local Board, dated 23rd March, 1886, adverting to their former Letters addressed to this Board on the subject of the Metropolitan Sewage, and urging that no decisive step might be taken in the matter until the Local Board had had an opportunity of learning the proposals of this Board, and of making any observations which they might feel it incumbent upon them to address to this Board.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

35. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. R. Bodger, dated March, 1886, submitting the result of his experiments on Sewage sludge at the Crossness Pumping Station, stating that in the event of the Board trying his system he would be willing to superintend the same at a small salary, and suggesting that a single line of rail from the Pumping Station to Abbey-wood Railway Station should be constructed so that manure might be sent into Mid-Kent.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

36. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Dewey, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 23rd March, 1886, transmitting a Memorial from the Vestry in favour of an additional Fire Brigade Station being erected in the Upper Holloway District.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Memorial be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration and report.

37. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. G. Hills, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 23rd March, 1886, stating that Mr. W. J. Beale, of Totteridge-road, Battersea, proposed to erect a block of dwellings abutting upon Lombard-road,

Battersea, leaving an entrance about 10 feet wide into the block of stable buildings, &c., already erected; that dwellings over the stables were occupied, and could only be approached by two staircases, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the Letter, and asking this Board to take such further steps in the matter as they might deem expedient.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Solicitor do report to the Committee thereon.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of Saint Pancras.

General Business Department,
Vestry-hall, Pancras-road,
24th March, 1886.

SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry to forward the enclosed statement giving particulars of the cost, &c., of the following works executed by the Vestry, viz.—

Princess-terrace Improvement.
Mabledon-place do.
Angler's-lane do.
Woodsome-road do.
Kentish-town-road do.
Euston-road paving with wood.
Drummond-street paving with granite blocks.

In reference to the Improvements the statement shows that the total cost was £12,988 19s. 7d. and the total re-coupments, including the contributions from your Board, left a balance of £5,826 8s. 9d., and I am directed to ask your Board to sanction the borrowing and to lend the sum of £5,800 to defray the net cost to the Vestry of these Improvements, the Loan to be re-paid by equal annual Instalments including principal and interest in 20 years.

The net cost of paving Euston-road and Drummond-street is shown to be £10,667 10s. 2d., and the Vestry require permission to borrow, and request your Board to lend, a sum of £10,600 to defray this cost, the same to be re-paid by equal annual instalments, including principal and interest, in 10 years.

I am, &c.,
THOS. ECCLESTON GIBB,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

Vestry of Saint Pancras.
COST, &C., OF CERTAIN WORKS.

Work.	Total cost.	Recoup- ments.	Contribution from Metropolitan Board of Works.	Net balance to be borrowed.	Total of Loan to be borrowed.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Princess-terrace Improvement	937 0 0	...	468 0 0	469 0 0	5,826 8 9
Mabledon-place "	6,587 9 10	1,322 11 10	1,565 0 0	3,699 18 0	
Angler's-lane "	3,021 2 7	500 0 0	910 18 0 Loan £1,200	410 4 7	
Woodsome-road "	1,836 0 9	801 1 0	395 0 0	639 19 9	
Kentish-town-road "	607 6 5	...	...	607 6 5	
	12,988 19 7	2,623 12 10	4,538 18 0	...	
Paving of Euston-road ...	7,034 10 2	1,000 0 0	...	6,034 10 2	10,667 10 2
Paving of Drummond-street...	4,633 0 0	...	...	4,633 0 0	

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. D. Dixon-Hartland, M.P., dated 16th March, 1886, stating reasons for opposing the Board's Fire Brigade Expenses Bill, and intimating that if that portion of the Bill relating to Fire Insurance Companies were proceeded with he should ask leave to introduce a Bill to abolish the Companies' contributions altogether, but that he would support the proposal to increase the rate to one penny.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

40. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. Hayward, Honorary Secretary of the Hampstead Ratepayers' Association, dated 25th March, 1886, with a Resolution requesting that the Hampstead Improvements might be carried out as soon as possible.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Bailey Denton, dated 25th March, 1886, asking for one or two copies of the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee containing the Reports of the Chemists on the treatment of the Metropolitan Sewage.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the request be complied with, and that the Clerk be also authorised, under the instructions of the Chairman, to supply a few copies of the two Reports made by the Committee to any persons who may apply for them, and, in the event of any large number of copies being applied for, that they be supplied upon the applicants paying the cost.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Thompson, dated 25th March, 1886, asking for compensation in respect of Plans which he submitted to the Commissioners of Sewers in the year 1849, and on the principles of which Plans he alleged the Main Drainage and Embankments had been carried out, and stating that he was prepared to submit to the Board Plans relative to the Sewage of the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Clerk do send a suitable reply to the said Letter.

43. The Clerk presented two Letters from Mr. W. F. Jebb, Clerk to the Metropolitan Asylums Board, dated 24th March, 1886, with reference to the following alterations in the gross and ratable values of the Valuation Lists of the undermentioned Parishes or Unions—

Parish [or Union].	Gross Value.			Ratable Value.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
St. Saviour's Union—						
St. Mary, Newington	556,858	0	0			
	instead of					
	566,858	0	0			
St. George's Union—						
St. George's, Hanover Square	2,078,330	0	0	1,740,168	0	0
St. Margaret and St. John, Westminster ...	821,806	0	0	682,278	0	0
Close of St. Peter's	4,440	0	0	3,707	0	0
St. Leonard, Shoreditch	795,367	0	0	650,439	0	0
Deduct in respect of City of London General Sewers and Consolidated Rates—						
Gross. Ratable.						
£4,602 £3,672						
St. Olave's Union—						
St. John, Horselydown	93,995	0	0	75,249	0	0
St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey	504,318	0	0	400,899	0	0
St. Mary, Islington	1,932,689	0	0	1,600,366	0	0
Wandsworth and Clapham Union—						
Battersea	791,234	0	0	631,319	0	0
Clapham	299,605	0	0	245,815	0	0
Putney	154,792	0	0	127,185	0	0
Streatham	321,972	0	0	262,198	0	0
Tooting Graveney	29,538	0	0	23,960	0	0
Wandsworth	272,313	0	0	217,182	0	0
St. Giles and St. George, Bloomsbury—						
St. George, Bloomsbury	205,733	7	0	172,270	0	0
St. John, Hampstead	674,140	0	0	560,293	0	0
Hackney Union—						
St. John, Hackney	1,131,102	0	0	916,823	0	0
Poplar Union—						
Bromley, St. Leonard	296,120	0	0	226,314	0	0
St. Mary-le-Stratford, Bow	188,731	0	0	147,109	0	0
St. Saviour's Union—						
St. Mary, Newington	556,858	0	0	447,416	0	0
St. George-the-Martyr	326,193	1	0	262,368	0	0
St. Saviour's, Southwark	270,251	0	0	221,147	0	0
Strand Union—						
St. Martin-in-the-Field	559,377	0	0	466,558	0	0
St. Paul, Covent-garden	107,024	0	0	89,185	0	0
Precinct of the Savoy	20,943	0	0	17,538	0	0
St. Mary-le-Strand	47,379	0	0	39,765	0	0
St. Clement's Danes	197,589	0	0	165,101	0	0
Liberty of the Rolls	47,639	0	0	39,883	0	0
Stepney Union—						
St. Anne, Limehouse	168,732	0	0	132,770	0	0
Hamlet of Ratcliff... ..	80,239	0	0	64,711	0	0
St. Paul, Shadwell	67,556	0	0	50,694	0	0
St. John, Wapping	80,612	0	0	61,339	0	0

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letters be referred to the Finance Committee and the Accountant.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. R. Kersey, Vestry Clerk of St. Nicholas, Deptford, dated 25th March, 1886, stating that the Vestry had passed a Resolution approving of the site suggested by the St. Paul and St. Nicholas Committee for the proposed Thames Subway for the District.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

45. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 23rd instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.5	16.8	17.2	11.2	9.4	10.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	None
	Camden	16.9	16.4	16.6	15.1	7.7	12.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston	16.6	16.2	16.5	16.2	14.1	15.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow	17.4	16.3	16.8	13.7	11.0	12.6	1.2	0.5	0.9	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.4	16.2	16.3	18.3	15.9	16.8	0.9	0.2	0.6	"
	" (Nine-elms)...	17.0	16.7	16.8	15.7	13.0	14.3	0.9	0.4	0.6	"
	Kingsland-road ...	17.0	16.7	16.9	16.0	10.4	12.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross ...	17.0	16.5	16.7	16.5	12.6	13.9	0.8	0.2	0.4	"
	St. John's-wood ...	16.9	16.3	16.7	16.3	13.4	15.1	0.8	0.0	0.3	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	Station closed for repairs									
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Peckham	16.7	16.3	16.6	11.2	6.7	9.4	1.0	0.0	0.2	"
	Tooley-street...	17.0	16.6	16.8	11.5	6.7	9.6	0.3	0.0	0.1	"
	Clapham	16.7	16.5	16.6	16.5	10.6	13.4	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Lewisham	16.6	16.4	16.5	11.6	9.8	10.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Old Ford	17.9	17.0	17.4	13.2	7.8	9.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	St. George-in-the- East	16.7	15.9	16.4	20.1	13.4	16.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Wellington-square, Chelsea, on the 20th instant, at 6.30 p.m., was 2.6 inches.

46. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 22nd March, 1886, on the application of Major-General A. S. Moberley, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan showing the construction of an external wooden staircase, recently erected at the workshops for the Blind of Kent, at the rear of No. 1, Thornton-row, South-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that, if necessary, the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the matter shall be considered.

47. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 22nd March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. H. Green, relative to the erection of shops on the West side of Church-place, alleged to be in advance of the general line of buildings.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

48. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 22nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. W. Reeves, on behalf of Mr. F. Burnett, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of eaves to the overhanging roof of stabling at the Manor House, Frognal.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

49. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 22nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Potter, for the consent of the Board to the erection of porches to Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, Willow-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the porches, therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. HAMPSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. M. Elgood, on behalf of Mr. G. J. Elgood, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a brick and stone portico in front of No. 4, Fitzjohn's-avenue, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the portico therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, further enclosed, altered, or raised without the consent of this Board.

51. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Cook, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of, and upon land adjoining, the premises known as "Cairn-boock Lodge," Stanstead-road, Forest-hill, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

52. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. H. Kersey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the Woolmore Estate, Brockley-road, to the lines shown upon the modified Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

53. ST. OLAVE, SOUTHWARK.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. E. Bayley, on behalf of the St. Olave District Board, asking this Board to determine the line of frontage, on the North-West side of Thomas-street, Horselydown.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

54. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th February, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. Marke, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 165, Hampstead-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Baker, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

55. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. T. C. Clarke and Son, on behalf of Mr. W. Wilson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 167 to Nos. 175 (odd numbers only), Hampstead-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Wetenhall, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

56. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Dormer, Junr., on behalf of Mr. Nutting, for the consent of the Board to the erection and construction of a temporary wooden office on the West side of Balham High-road, to the line, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 57. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. P. W. Williamson, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church, erected in Bolingbroke-road, Hammersmith, and as to the return of the deposit money in respect of the said Church.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 58. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. P. R. Conron, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary skating rink, erected in Finchley-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 59. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Harbrow, on behalf of Messrs. Passmore and Engelhardt, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-hall on the East side of Cornwall-road, Brixton.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 60. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. H. Green, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church, erected at Southfields, Merton-road, Wandsworth.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a further period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

- 61. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Lidiard, on behalf of the South London Harriers Club, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a wood and iron building, in Oldridge-road, Clapham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 62. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Walker and Runtz, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road, to lead out of the West side of Marsh-lane.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 63. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on a joint Notice from Mr. J. Dyke, and Mr. J. Miller, of their intention to form a paved street to lead out of the East side of Stoke Newington-road, Stoke Newington, as shown on the Plan accompanying such Notice.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Notice and Plan be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 64. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Peebles, District Surveyor, relative to the position houses in course of erection at the North-East corner of Eton-avenue, Belsize-park-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

65. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. P. Deane, on behalf of Mr. J. T. Boss, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of Birdhurst-road, York-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

66. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Martin, Wells and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a timber stage at Acre Wharf, in Belvedere-road, with openings in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

67. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. M. Nelson, on behalf of Mr. F. H. Maudslay, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a shed on the East side of Knight's-hill, Lower Norwood, with walls of Portland cement concrete.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, and that a License, with such conditions as to the quality and composition of the concrete, and other matters, as are contained in the form of License approved by the Board, on the 29th November, 1879 (No. 6), be granted to the applicant.

68. FULHAM.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. E. Knightley, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in supervising the fixing of a close stove and smoke pipe, at the new Mission Church in Cobbold-road, Hammersmith.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Twenty shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

69. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Payne, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of Fees for special services performed by him in supervising the fixing of a heating apparatus in a building at Messrs. Berger's works in Berger-lane, Homerton, and of two large boilers and a steam engine at the same premises.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Fifteen shillings in respect of the heating apparatus, and a Fee of Thirty shillings in respect of the boilers and steam engine.

70. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Foulsham, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee, for a special service performed by him in superintending the setting of a steam boiler at Mr. Cleugh's Jute works in Imperial-street, Bromley.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Fifteen shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

71. ST. MARYLEBONE.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Ashbridge, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in certifying that a chimney-breast in the party-wall of the "Prince George of Cumberland" Public-house in Frederick-street, Portland-town, might be cut away.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Ten shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

72. POPLAR.—Read a communication from Mr. John Clarkson, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of All Saints, Poplar, dated 18th March, 1886, notifying that the re-instatement of the scene painting shop at the rear of the Queen's Palace of Varieties, in High-street, was about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—~~Whereas~~, Mr. John Clarkson, District Surveyor for the District of All Saints, Poplar, did on the 18th day of March, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said John Clarkson, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the re-instatement of the scene painting shop at the rear of the Queen's Palace of Varieties, in High-street, and the said John Clarkson has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is *ordered* by this Board—That Mr. Chester Foulsham, District Surveyor for the District of St. Leonard, Bromley, be appointed by this Board, and the said Chester Foulsham is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

73. MILE-END OLD-TOWN.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1886, submitting for the Seal of the Board a License and Plan, in duplicate, with reference to the temporary Church in Globe-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License and Plan, in duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

74. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 25th March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. C. W. Lemon, asking whether the Board would be satisfied with the signature of the Lessee to the document accepting the condition annexed to the consent of the Board relative to the surrender to the public of the surplus ground in front of nine proposed shops in Greyhound-lane, Streatham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

75. CITY OF LONDON.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Raper, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a building at the rear of No. 39, Seething-lane, with openings in the external walls in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

76. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. W. Easton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards, to a house on the South-East side of Lancaster-road, West Norwood.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

77. PLUMSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 23rd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. Ovenden, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan showing the construction of a temporary wooden coffee cabin, on wheels, on vacant land at the corner of Novar-road, Pope-street, Eltham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Adjourned until Friday the 2nd April next,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 13.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **2nd** day of **April**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

CHARLES HARRIS, Esq.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq.,	THOMAS JOHN WHITE,
GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	F.R.C.S., ENG.	Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL,	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.
Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	HENRY HARBEN, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR-	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT,	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.
BETT, Esq.	Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.
CAPTAIN WENBORN.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-
LIEUT.-COLONEL MUNRO.	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	LIAMS, Esq.
WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY,	EDWIN LAWRENCE, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-
Esq.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH-	HALL, Esq.
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JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	JOHN LENANTON, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq.,	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	ALFRED POCOCK, Esq.
M.P.	ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS,
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	Esq.
ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER,	GEORGE HILL, Esq.	Esq., DEPUTY.
Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN,	COLONEL HUGHES, M.P.
JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD,	Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.
Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 26th March last, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.
2. This being the day for receiving Tenders for laying down a new wood carriage-way and York stone foot-ways, and a length of about 500 feet of pipe Sewer, in connection with the South Lambeth Improvement,

The Clerk laid before the Board the several Tenders which he had received pursuant to the Advertisement.

It was ~~moved~~, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Tenders be now opened.

The said Tenders were then opened, as follows—

Mr. W. Stubbs, Phoenix-wharf, Commercial-road, Lambeth	...	£2,692	0	0
Messrs. Hindle and Morrish (Limited), No. 42, Bankside	...	2,693	17	6
Mr. R. Mayo, Peckford-place works, Brixton-road	...	2,700	0	0
Mr. T. Turner, Stanley Bridge Wharf, Chelsea	...	2,740	0	0
Mr. T. M. Wiswell, No. 30, St. Swithin's-lane	...	2,889	0	0
Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., Grosvenor Wharf, Westminster		2,929	0	0

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Edwards, and resolved—That the Tender of Mr. W. Stubbs, for the execution of the works of laying down a new wood carriage-way, with York stone foot-ways, and a length of about 500 feet of pipe Sewer, in connection with the South Lambeth Improvement, for a sum of £2,692, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

The representative of Mr. Stubbs was then called in, and informed of the foregoing Resolution, and, in reply to a question by the Chairman, he stated that Mr. Stubbs was prepared to execute the works in accordance with the Board's Specification, and for the amount of the Tender.

3. Mr. Cameron handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.,
1st April, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by this Board to inform you that they have had under consideration a Letter from the Vestry Clerk of Battersea, stating that such Vestry have presented a Memorial to the Metropolitan Board of Works on the subject of the maintenance of Wandsworth-common; and I am to state that this Board approve of the proposal that the Metropolitan Board of Works should undertake the control and management of the Common in question.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) HEN. GEO. HILLS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was moved by Mr. Cameron, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

4. Mr. Brown handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Hammersmith.

Clerk's Department, Vestry-hall, Broadway,
Hammersmith, W.,
2nd day of April, 1886.

SIR,—Referring to the Letter dated 17th March last from the late Fulham District Board, enclosing copy of a Report of the Works Committee of that Board relative to a Plan that had been submitted to them for a proposal to erect a Public Hall upon the site of the two old houses adjoining these premises, this Vestry, seeing that the site in question is included within the limits of deviation upon the Plan of the Improvement to be carried out by widening Hammersmith-road, begs to urge upon the Metropolitan Board the necessity of carrying the new and improved line of frontage up to and abutting upon these premises, now called the Vestry-hall, Broadway, Hammersmith.

The Vestry desire to point out that in their opinion it will in a short time become necessary to widen Brook-green-road, on the East side, taking down part of these premises.

I am further to ask the Metropolitan Board to give to this Vestry the option of the purchase of the whole of the surplus land between these premises and the Hammersmith-road, when the Improvement is completed, so as to provide for the extension of the Vestry's Offices.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. P. COCKBURN,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Brown, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

5. Mr. Brown handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Hammersmith.

Clerk's Department, Vestry-hall,

Broadway, Hammersmith, W.,

1st day of April, 1886.

SIR,—Referring to the Letter, dated the 3rd ultimo, from the late Fulham District Board, enclosing a copy of a communication which had been addressed to the Board by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, offering to the Board the triangular piece of land on the West side of Brook-green, for the purpose of being laid out and maintained as a recreation ground, and dedicated to the free use of the public for ever, upon certain conditions, and a Letter from the Homage Jury of the Manor of Fulham concurring in the grant. I am now directed by this Vestry to urge upon the Metropolitan Board the importance of receiving this open space, which will make a welcome addition to the space at present dedicated to the public at Brook-green, and I am to ask the Metropolitan Board to accept the gift of land upon the terms and conditions contained in the communication referred to.

I am also to urge upon the Board the desirability of dealing with the matter at the earliest possible moment, in order to afford employment to some of the workmen at present unemployed, and I may add that it is believed that the Mansion House Committee and Lord Brabazon's Committee would contribute funds for the payment of wages.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. P. COCKBURN

Vestry Clerk.

To the Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Brown, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

6. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 29th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that under the authority conferred upon them by the Board they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Act of 1831).</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Hammond (Putney)—(907)—</i>							
Trehearne, A. T.—							
43	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	11	16	10	
<i>Re Alexander (Battersea) - (908)—</i>							
Alexander, Mrs. A. C. M., Alexander, F., and Alexander, H.—							
44	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in the "Two Brewers" Public-house, Bridge-road	...	500	-	-		
Young, Jackson and Beard—							
45	Surveyors' Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	13	13	-		
<i>Re Hanson and Bowden (Putney)—</i>							
Deacon, Son and Gibson—(909)—							
46	Taxed Costs of action...	...	10	15	4		
Law and Chatterton—(823)—							
47	Engineer's charges and as witness	...	81	14	8		
Carried forward		...	£617	19	10		

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	617	19	10	...		
<i>Re</i> Garland (Battersea)—(910)— George, A. A.—						
48 Assistance on Trade claim	15	15	-	633	14	10
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers.</i>						
<i>Re</i> Baldwin and Hough (Limehouse)—(911)— Saunders, Captain, per Barber and Son—						
1267 One-quarter's Rent of warehouse in Narrow- street to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	14	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Lee and Eltham Sewer— Kellett and Bentley's Contract—(962)—						
1268 For investment in names of Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Finance Committee in Metropolitan £3 per Cent. Consolidated Stock, pursuant to the Orders of the Board of the 5th and 26th March (balance of reten- tion money)	3,196	1	10	3,210	11	10
<i>Highbury-fields.</i>						
<i>Re</i> Great Northern Railway Company—(912)— Great Northern Railway Company—						
4 One-quarter's rent of surface of land over Tunnel, due Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)				7	5	-
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>						
<i>Re</i> Nixon and others (Gray's-inn-road)—(913)— Lovell, Son and Pitfield—						
8710 Costs of application for transfer of Fund in Court...	14	2	3			
<i>Re</i> Shayler (Piccadilly)—(914)— Newland, Edward—						
8711 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	14	13	4			
<i>Re</i> Bentley (Piccadilly)—(915)— Newland, Edward—						
8712 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	11	4	4			
<i>Re</i> Matthews and Wilkie (Piccadilly)—(916)— Newland, Edward—						
8713 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	17	15	10			
<i>Re</i> Gosden and others (Charing-cross)—(917)— Blackmore and Shield—						
8714 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	55	4	4			
<i>Re</i> Nathan (Charing-cross)—(918)— Nathan, Henry—						
8715 One-year's redeemed Land-tax on No. 1, Oxford- street, Soho, to 6th March, 1886	5	17	4			
<i>Re</i> D'Humy (Charing-cross)—(919)— Bank of England—						
8716 Purchase-money in respect of Leasehold interest in No. 21, Litchfield-street, Soho, including Trade compensation	750	-	-			
Carried forward	£868	17	5	3,851	11	8

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	868	17	5	3,851	11	8
<i>Re</i> Westmoreland (Gray's-inn-road)—(920)—								
	Purchase-money for Fee-simple in No. 174, Gray's-inn-road—							
8717	Westmoreland, Arthur, and Westmoreland, Mrs. Helen Louisa	£1,510	-	-				
8718	Kinder, Miss Alice Harriett	...	1,510	-	-			
8719	Kinder, Miss Isabella Mary	...	1,510	-	-			
			4,530	-	-			
	Ritchie, R.—							
8720	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	37	16	-			
	Phillips, J. and J.—							
8721	Stamp-duty	...	22	15	-			
<i>Re</i> Wilson (Charing-cross)—(921)—								
	Vickery, T. G.—							
8722	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	6	1	-			
<i>Re</i> Coffin (Charing-cross)—(922)—								
	Coffin, Thos. Wm. James—							
8723	Compensation in respect of yearly Tenancy in No. 79, Crown-street, Soho, including Trade compensation	...	180	-	-			
	Haynes, B.—							
8724	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	7	7	-			
<i>Re</i> Lamb (Charing-cross)—(923)—								
	Lamb, Benjn.—							
8725	Compensation in respect of yearly Tenancy in No. 2, Crown-street, Soho, including Trade		400	-	-			
	Ellis, R., and Son—							
8726	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	13	13	-			
<i>Re</i> Raphael (Charing-cross)—(924)—								
	Raphael, Josh., Junr.—							
8727	Compensation in respect of yearly Tenancy in part of No. 3, Oxford-street, including Trade		250	-	-			
	Reynolds and Eason—							
8728	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	8	8	-			
<i>Re</i> Crosse and Blackwell (Charing-cross)—(925)—								
	Crosse and Blackwell—							
8729	Compensation for surrender of right to construct a cellar under footway of the new Street	...	100	-	-			
	Roumieu and Aitchison—							
8730	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	5	5	-			
<i>Re</i> Lester (Charing-cross)—(926)—								
	Lester, W. E.—							
8731	Compensation for loss of business and removal from Crown-street and New Compton-street		30	-	-			
						6,460	2	5
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>							
<i>Re</i> Francis (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(927)—								
	Jennings and Son—							
898	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	15	-	-			
	Carried forward	...	£15	-	-	10,311	14	1

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	15	-	-	10,311	14	1
<i>Re</i> Neall (Tower-hill)—(928)—								
	Coxwell, J. E.—							
899	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	12	5	4			
<i>Re</i> Cotterell (Walworth-road)—(929)—								
	Burton, B.—							
900	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	12	14	6			
<i>Re</i> Scholl (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(930)—								
	Scholl, Mrs. Rosina Catherine, and Scholl, Franz Anton—							
901	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 57, Green-street	£350 - -						
902	Trade compensation	770 - -						
			1,120	-	-			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
903	Surveyors' Fees	...	26	5	-			
<i>Re</i> Bass (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(931)—								
	Walker, W.—							
904	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	9	16	-			
<i>Re</i> Gauntlett (Bermondsey)—(932)—								
	Worthington, Evans and Blaxland—							
905	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	8	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Vernon (Bermondsey)—(933)—								
	Vernon, James—							
906	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 3 and 4, Bermondsey-new-road	£200 - -						
907	Trade compensation	1,000 - -						
			1,200	-	-			
	Haynes, B.—							
908	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	31	10	-			
<i>Re</i> Williams (Bermondsey)—(934)—								
	Williams, Thos.—							
909	Purchase-money and compensation for yearly Tenancy in portion of No. 4, Bermondsey-square	...	80	-	-			
	Williams, G. B.—							
910	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	5	-	-			
Compensation for loss of business and removal—								
	Broad, W. (Upper-street, Islington)—(935)—							
911	No. 283, Upper-street	...	50	-	-			
	Clarke, Mrs. E. (Upper-street, Islington)—(936)—							
912	No. 280, Upper-street	...	50	-	-			
	Whitfield, F. (Upper-street, Islington)—(937)—							
913	No. 314, Upper-street	...	50	-	-			
	Abrahams, A. (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(938)—							
914	No. 9, Green-street	...	25	-	-			
	Adams, Mrs. E. (Bermondsey)—(939)—							
915	No. 21, Star-corner	...	25	-	-			
	Carried forward	...	£2,720	10	10	10,311	14	1

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	2,720	10 10	10,311	14	1
Wilson, W. (Bermondsey)—(940)—								
916	No. 3, Bermondsey-square	...	...	10	- -			
<i>Re</i> Gauntlett (Bermondsey)—(941)—								
	Broad, Pritchard and Wiltshire—							
917	Assistance on Trade claim	...	...	10	10 -			
<i>Re</i> Hurlock (Walworth-road)—(942)—								
	Brown, W. K.—							
918	Assistance on Trade claim	...	...	3	3 -	2,744	3	10
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re</i> St. John's Church—(943)—								
	Lane, Monro and Soutter—							
325	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	32	- -			
<i>Re</i> Foxwell—(944)—								
	Camp, S.—							
326	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	18	19 -	50	19	-
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>								
<i>Re</i> Tremain—(945)—								
	Tremain, Hy.—							
7	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 253 and 255, High-street, Poplar	...	£150	- -				
8	Trade compensation	...	1,750	- -				
					1,900	- -		
	Walker and Runtz—							
9	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	...	31	10 -	1,931	10	-
<i>Streets (Act of 1884).</i>								
<i>Re</i> Marquis Camden (St. Pancras)—(946 and 947)—								
	Meakin, W. F.—							
25	Proportion of Rents of Nos. 70 and 72, Kentish-town-road, from Michaelmas, 1885, to 21st January, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	2	16 7			
	Rent in respect of Nos. 66 and 68, Kentish-town-road, from Michaelmas, 1885, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	4	7 -	7	3	7
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re</i> Lawrence (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(948)—								
	Marsh, J. W.—							
5741	Costs of Arbitration...	...	...	30	19 6			
<i>Re</i> Williams (Tench-street)—(949)—								
	Tatham, Oblein and Nash—							
5742	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	12	1 10			
<i>Re</i> Wright (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(950)—								
	Bristow, W.—							
5743	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	7	7 -			
<i>Re</i> Paul (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(951)—								
	Bristow, W.—							
5744	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	7	7 -			
	Carried forward	...	...	£57	15 4	15,045	10	6

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	57	15	4	15,045	10	6
<i>Re</i> Hillier (Windmill-row)—(952)—								
	Harman, A. J.—							
5745	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	8	17	8			
<i>Re</i> Walton (Tench-street)—(953)—								
	Maude, J. and W.—							
5746	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	£14	10	8			
	Proportion of Rent from 16th to							
	22nd March, 1886 (less Tax)		1	10	-			
						16	-	8
<i>Re</i> Merceron's Trustees (Tench-street)—(954)—								
	Fisher and Fisher—							
5747	Proportion of Rent of properties to 11th March,							
	1886 (less Tax)...	...	57	11	10			
<i>Re</i> Marshall (Tench-street)—(955)—								
	Woodroffe, C. G.—							
5748	Costs of Arbitration	...	24	3	6			
<i>Re</i> Bassett's Trustees (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(956)—								
	Lockyer and Dinn—							
5749	Costs of production of Deeds	...	2	2	-			
<i>Re</i> Kelly (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(957)—								
	Cooke, W. C.—							
5750	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	10	14	2			
<i>Re</i> Clayton and Nunn (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(958)—								
	Nunn, J. B.—							
5751	Costs of Arbitration	...	4	4	-			
						181	9	2

Consolidated Loans Fund.

<i>Re</i> Baldwin and Hough (Limehouse)—(959)—								
	Salmon, J.—							
1563	One-quarter's Rent of premises at corner of opening, and							
	Medland-street, Ratcliff, due Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax) ...					8	9	2
						£15,235	8	10

Your Committee have had under their consideration the question of the insurance of the Board's property, and, having fully discussed the matter, they have arrived at certain conclusions, which they beg to recommend for adoption by the Board, namely—

That all Fire Insurance premiums be made payable at the same period of the year.

That the payments be made direct to the Insurance Offices by the Board's Accountant.

That all buildings in respect of which the Board receive rent, upon ground acquired for public Improvements, and which are not to be pulled down within 12 months, be for the future kept insured, and that any expiring Policy be kept up by the Board.

That the Board's Offices in Spring-gardens, and their contents, do continue to be insured at their present amount, viz., £40,100.

That the Board do leave it to the Finance Committee to select the Offices in which any property should be insured.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Memorials, referred to them by the Board on the 12th instant (No. 4), from the Minister and Members of the Mission-hall in Moor-street, and other persons interested therein, asking the Board to allow the Hall to be retained in its present position, with an extended frontage adapted to the design of the new street, or to grant the site, or an

eligible one near to it, for the erection of a new building, at a nominal ground rent. Your Committee, having given due consideration to the Memorials, and conferred with your Officers, who have laid before them a Plan showing the present situation of the Mission-hall, and its relation to the Board's surplus land adjoining, are unable to advise the Board to permit the Hall to remain. With regard to the application for another site, it may be stated that the Memorialists will have ample opportunity for tendering for any portion of the land in Shaftesbury-avenue. Your Committee recommend—

That a reply be addressed to them to the above effect.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 19th ultimo (No. 6), from the Greenwich District Board, acknowledging the receipt of this Board's Letter of the 7th ultimo, stating that they had no legal powers to form a Lake on Blackheath, and asking that this Board would take steps to obtain the consent of the Crown to the proposed Lake. Your Committee need not recapitulate the facts of the case, which has been so recently before the Board in connection with the question of providing work for the unemployed. With regard to the present Letter, your Committee have again consulted your Solicitor, who has presented a Report to them, in which, while adhering to the opinion which he has already expressed as to the inability of this Board to expend money in the formation of a Lake, he states that if the whole sum necessary is to be advanced by charitable persons, and the Board are satisfied that the money will be forthcoming, and the consent of the Crown and others interested is given in a strictly formal manner, and if, in addition, the Board consider the work desirable, he does not know that they need put a veto upon it; but even then, having regard to the fact that the Board have no interest in the soil he is of opinion that the utmost they could be advised to do would be to intimate that so long as the work is carried on in accordance with Plans previously approved by the Board, the Board would not by application to the Court or otherwise interpose any obstacle to the work being done. Your Committee recommend—

That the substance of the Solicitor's Report be communicated to the District Board in reply to their Letter.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred by the Board on the 5th ultimo (No. 3), from the Home Office, transmitting, to be dealt with by the Board, a Letter from Viscount Wolmer, M.P., and its enclosure, enquiring whether the re-erection of a dissecting-room on the Burial-ground of St. George-the-Martyr, Bloomsbury, could be prevented. It appears to your Committee that it is a matter to which the attention of the Building Act Committee should be given, and they accordingly recommend—

That it be referred to that Committee, for consideration and report.

Your Committee have considered the communication, referred to them on the 19th ultimo (No. 45), from the Vestry of Hampstead, requesting, in connection with the Hampstead Improvements, to be informed of any proposed Plans for the disposal or appropriation of any portion of the ground purchased, so soon as they are arranged, and before they are adopted, in order that the Vestry may make any suggestions thereon which they may deem desirable, and suggesting the advisability of giving more publicity in the case of all future sales of old materials. Having given careful consideration to the matter, and enquired into the facts, your Committee beg to recommend—

That the Vestry be informed that the Board will comply with their request to be informed of the arrangement of the Plans before adoption, and that with reference to their observations as to the recent sale of old materials, the Board are informed that the usual course was taken for giving publicity to the sale.

Your Committee have further to report that in compliance with the Resolution of the Board of the 5th ultimo (No. 11), they have again considered the several Memorials and communications, requesting the Board to take early measures to permit the Northern Outfall Sewer embankment to be used as a footpath and promenade. Your Committee, in their Report on the above date, fully stated the facts, which it is

unnecessary now to repeat. The matter having been again referred to your Committee, they have consulted your Solicitor, who advises that the Board have no power to expend money with the object of appropriating the embankment to the purposes of an open space or [recreation ground, nor to expend nor contribute money towards the cost of carrying ventilators through lamp standards or shafts (a work which would be necessary in view of the number and position of the present ventilators) unless the same were necessary for Main Drainages purposes. Your Committee feel bound to concur in the opinion of your Solicitor, and they recommend—

That replies be sent to the several Memorialists to the effect of the Solicitor's Report.

Your Committee have considered your Superintending Architect's Report, referred to them on the 26th ultimo, as to inspecting and valuing the properties leased by the Board in connection with the sufficiency of the Insurances effected thereon. In the Report in question your Superintending Architect recommends the employment of a competent temporary Assistant to act, under proper supervision, at the salary of £3 3s. per week, but your Committee, after giving due consideration to the matter, have to report that in their opinion it is unnecessary that any Assistant should be engaged for the purpose.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
GEO. EDWARDS,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
T. G. FARDELL,
GEO. HILL,
W^M. SHEPHERD.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That all Fire Insurance Premiums be made payable at the same period of the year.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the payments of all Fire Insurance Premiums be made direct to the Insurance Offices by the Board's Accountant.

The **motion** having been put to the vote there were for it 16, and against it 6; and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That all buildings, in respect of which the Board receive rent, upon ground acquired for public Improvements, and which are not to be pulled down within a period of Twelve months, be for the future kept insured, and that any expiring Policy be kept up by the Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Board's Offices in Spring-gardens, and their contents, do continue to be insured at their present amount, viz., £40,100.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Board do leave it to the Finance Committee to select the Offices in which any property should be insured.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial from inhabitants, &c., of Moor-street, Soho, and its neighbourhood, asking the Board to allow the present Mission-hall in Moor-street to stand, or to afford facilities for obtaining a site in the immediate locality for another building, be approved, and that the Memorialists be informed that the Board are unable to accede to the request.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the further Letter from the Greenwich District Board, asking this Board to obtain the consent of the Crown to the formation of a Lake on Blackheath be approved,

and that the substance of the Report made by the Solicitor on the subject be sent to the District Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Letter from the Home Office, transmitting a Letter from Viscount Wolmer, M.P., and its enclosure enquiring whether the re-erection of a dissecting-room on the Burial-ground of St. George-the-Martyr, Bloomsbury, could be prevented, be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Vestry of Hampstead be informed, in reply to their Letter on the subject of the Plans for the disposal of the ground in connection with the Hampstead Improvements, that the Board will comply with their request to be informed of the Plans before their adoption; and that with reference to their observations as to the recent sale of old building materials, the Board are informed that the usual course was taken for giving publicity to the sale.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That Letters be sent in reply to the several Memorials and communications, requesting the Board to take early measures to permit the Main Drainage embankment of the Northern Outfall Sewer to be used as a footpath and promenade, to the effect reported to the Committee by the Solicitor, namely, that the Board have no power to expend money with the object of appropriating the embankment to the purposes of an open space or recreation ground, nor to expend or contribute money towards the cost of carrying ventilators through lamp standards or shafts, unless the same are necessary for Main Drainage requirements.

The **motion** having been put to the vote, there were for it 23, against it 1, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Board concur with the Committee in the opinion that it is unnecessary that an Assistant should be engaged for the purpose of inspecting and valuing the properties leased by the Board, in connection with the sufficiency of the Insurances effected thereon.

7. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 30th March, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the Memorial from the Vestry of Islington, referred by the Board on the 26th instant (No. 36), asking that a Fire Station may be provided in Upper Holloway. The Board had before it some months ago an application by the inhabitants of the district referred to, asking that further provision might be made for the protection of the neighbourhood in case of fire, and the Board informed them that, as the expenditure on the Fire Brigade was already considerably in excess of the income allotted for the purpose by Parliament, their request could not be complied with. Your Committee can now only recommend—

That the Vestry of Islington be informed to the same effect.

The Chief Officer has reported that he has found it necessary to employ two additional Pilots or Watermen for the Floats in the "C" District, in order to comply fully with the regulations in force on the River Thames. The addition of these two men will raise the total number of Pilots or Watermen now employed in connection with the Fire Brigade from 14 to 16. Your Committee recommend—

That the sanction of the Board be given to the employment of the two additional men.

Third-class Fireman William Dyter, and Fourth-class Firemen Henry Lynagh and James Burrows have been reported to your Committee for misconduct of various kinds which renders it undesirable that they should be retained in the Brigade. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That they be dismissed.

Your Committee have further to report that First-class Fireman William J. Costin and Third-class Fireman Joseph Carter have withdrawn from the service, and that their names have accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Your Committee have also to submit the following recommendations—

That the following promotions be made, viz.—Second-class Fireman John Herbison to the First Class ; Third-class Fireman Frederick J. F. Allshorn to the Second Class ; and Fourth-class Firemen William J. Ridgway and Albert Crick to the Third Class.

That Charles Bye, Charles J. Hurst, and Thomas C. Bailes be enrolled in the Fourth Class of Firemen to fill vacancies.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) GEO. HILL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
W. R. SELWAY,
W. J. WETENHALL.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of Islington be informed that, as the expenditure on the Fire Brigade is considerably in excess of the income allotted for the purpose by Parliament, it is impossible for the Board at the present time to add to the number of Fire-engine Stations in any part of the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sanction of the Board be given to the employment of two additional Pilots on board the Floating Engines.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Third-class Fireman William Dyter, and Fourth-class Firemen Henry Lynagh, and James Burrows be dismissed for misconduct.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following promotions be made, viz.—Second-class Fireman John Herbison to the First Class ; Third-class Fireman Frederick J. F. Allshorn to the Second Class ; and Fourth-class Firemen William J. Ridgway and Albert Crick, to the Third Class.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Charles Bye, Charles J. Hurst, and Thomas C. Bailes be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

8. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 30th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that the works required by the Board to be done to the “Alma” Music-hall, in Alma-street, New North-road, Shoreditch, as specified in their Minutes of the 8th May last (No. 16), have been completed, and your Committee recommend—

That the Justices of Middlesex be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. S. C. Aubrey, on behalf of Mr. S. Edwards, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, in respect of the proposed construction of a new Concert-room on the West side of the “Hare” Public-house, No. 505, Cambridge-road, Cambridge-heath, fronting on Hare-place, as shown upon the drawings accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 12th ultimo (No. 62). The room is to be about 33 feet long and 17 feet wide, and will accommodate 140 persons. Your Committee suggested to the applicant that the window in the East wall of the room, looking into the parlour of the Public-house, should be bricked up, and that the sliding doors next Hare-place should be re-placed by

a door hung in a frame. An amended drawing has been submitted embodying those alterations, and your Committee are of opinion that, with one further improvement, the proposed building may receive the sanction of the Board. They therefore recommend—

That the application of Mr. C. S. Aubrey, on behalf of Mr. S. Edwards, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, in respect of the proposed construction of a new Concert-room on the West side of the “Hare” Public-house, No. 505, Cambridge-road, Cambridge-heath, fronting on Hare-place, be granted, on condition that the door next the street be made to open outwards, and that the Certificate of the Board be issued upon the completion of the building in accordance with the amended drawing submitted by the applicant on the 3rd March, 1886, to the satisfaction of the Board and subject to the above condition.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, relative to the erection of a movable or temporary Theatre on land near the “White Horse” Public-house at Peckham-rye, without the consent of the Board, and asking them to take action in the matter, with a view to enforcing the penalties provided by the Act, referred by the Board on the 12th ultimo (No. 65). In accordance with the instructions of the Board, the parties interested were invited to attend your Committee, and, as the result of the interview, the proprietors undertook to remove the structure without compelling the Board to resort to legal proceedings, if a little time were granted them in order to terminate their existing holding, and to make the necessary arrangements for removal. Acting under the authority conferred upon them by the Resolution of the Board, your Committee complied with the request, and they have received a Report from your Superintending Architect, stating that the temporary Theatre has been taken down and entirely removed from the site. Your Committee recommend—

That the Vestry of Camberwell be informed accordingly.

The Board on the 5th instant (No. 13), in accordance with the recommendation of your Committee, declined to sanction the retention of a temporary Theatre of Varieties, which had been erected without their consent in Bow-common-lane, Bromley-by-Bow, and at the same time instructed the Solicitor to take such proceedings as he might consider advisable to obtain the removal of the building. Your Committee have to report, for the information of the Board, that they have this day received from that Officer a Report to the effect that the temporary Theatre has been removed.

Your Committee beg to submit herewith two Reports which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under Magistrates’ Orders at the premises therein mentioned, the same being Dangerous Structures, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrates to be done at the following premises, the same being Dangerous Structures, viz.—

No. 13, Duke-street, Old Artillery-ground.

No. 6, Horatio-street, Bethnal-green.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration the Letter from Messrs. Pattison, Wigg and Co., asking to be informed whether the Board intend to take any action with regard to the erection of walls on the forecourt of No. 117, Anerley-road, Penge, beyond the general line of buildings in that road, referred by the Board on the 6th November last (No. 46). On the 27th November, the Board instructed their Solicitor to take proceedings against the builder in respect of the height of the walls. The Magistrate made an Order for the reduction of the height, and that Order has so far been complied with that the walls are now about 6 feet 2 inches high, instead of 12 feet. Your Committee think that no further action is necessary, and they recommend—

That Messrs. Pattison and Co. be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor for Hampstead West, relative to the erection of a two-storey workshop on land abutting upon a narrow foot-way at the rear of No. 178, High-road, Kilburn, referred by the Board on the 26th February last (No. 55). The District Surveyor reports that he has received notice from Mr. Hackworth of his intention to build the workshop upon a piece of land measuring about 29 feet by 12 feet, and fronting upon a private foot-way 5 feet in width. Your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons if necessary.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, relative to the extension of a new shop, at the corner of Elsie-road, East Dulwich, to 3 feet 6 inches, instead of 2 feet 8 inches, as sanctioned by the Board, and requesting that the Board will take such action as may be necessary, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 7). The building complained of is situated, not in Elsie-road, but at the corner of Derwent-grove and Grove-vale. The Board sanctioned an extension to 2 feet 10 inches beyond the main front wall, but the projection, as carried out, is 3 feet 6 inches beyond the wall, being an excess of 8 inches. The difference is not of great importance, and your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that the Vestry of Camberwell be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Messrs. E. Carleton Holmes and Son, on behalf of Messrs. Meux and Co., requesting the Board to modify, in the terms of the altered acceptance accompanying the Letter, the condition imposed by their Resolution of the 5th February last (No. 10), with reference to the surrender to the public of ground in connection with the re-erection of "The Thatched House" Public-house, in Essex-road, Islington, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 68). The applicants state that by a Deed, dated 1st April, 1857, they are restricted from digging within 18 inches from the New River Company's main, which crosses their forecourt. It is therefore necessary to modify the form of acceptance, and to provide for the land given up being kept level with the present footways. Your Solicitor has prepared an amended form of License, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the applicants do accept the modified form of acceptance prepared by the Solicitor of the Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. C. Bentley, on behalf of Mr. A. Heaver, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of St. John's-road, Battersea-rise, Wandsworth, referred by the Board on the 26th June last (No. 71). The Wandsworth District Board called attention to the fact that the Plan submitted did not correctly represent the road forming the Southern boundary of the Estate, and your Committee postponed their decision until the facts of the case had been clearly elucidated. The applicant has now forwarded an amended Plan, and your Committee concur with your Deputy Superintending Architect in thinking it satisfactory. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the roads be formed as shown on the amended Plan submitted by the applicant, and signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and also upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Aliwal-road, S.W.," "Comyn-road, S.W.," "Eckstein-road, S.W.," and "Severus-road, S.W.," be approved for the same.

Your Committee have further considered the Letter from the Hackney District Board, relative to the erection of sign posts on the foot-paths of Glyn-road, Homerton, contrary to the Resolution of this Board of the 7th January, 1881 (No. 59), referred by the Board on the 12th instant (No. 87). The District Board complain of the erection of several signboards upon the footpaths, but your Committee are advised by your Solicitor that the Board have no jurisdiction in the matter, and that the District

Board have full power to deal with the obstructions. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that the Hackney District Board be informed that they have power to deal with the case under the 119th Section of the Act 18 and 19 Vict., c. 120.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Plumstead District Board relative to the alleged irregular erection of a fence across the Southern entrance to Manthorpe-road, referred by the Board on the 2nd October last (No. 63). The Board, on the 16th October last, instructed their Solicitor to take proceedings to have the fence removed, and he accordingly served a Penal Notice upon the Rev. J. A. M^cAllister. Your Superintending Architect now reports that he has surveyed the locality, and finds that the fence has been removed, and that there are two entrances to the road, 40 feet wide. Your Committee recommend—

That the Plumstead District Board be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. T. Laws and Son, on behalf of Dr. Parrott, for the consent of the Board to the frontage line adopted in the erection of an enclosed porch in front of No. 82, Camberwell-road, Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application referred by the Board on the 19th instant, (No. 58). Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by the Vestry of Newington that no action should be taken with reference to the portico, which is constructed with iron columns in front, and is enclosed at the sides and top with woodwork and glass, and was erected in May, 1884. Your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Messrs. Laws and Son, the Vestry of Newington, and the District Surveyor be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from Mr. E. Yates, stating that he was about to make arrangements for pulling down and re-building a part of Gaywood-street, St. George's-road, Southwark, and for widening the thoroughfare, by giving up the portion of land coloured Blue on the Plan accompanying his Letter, and asking the Board to waive the requirement in the 29th Section of the Metropolitan Building Act, as to the area required for the yards of the proposed new buildings until Michaelmas, 1888, at which time he would have possession of the part coloured Yellow on the Plan, which would give the area required by the Act, referred by the Board on the 19th instant (No. 4). The applicant proposes to pull down a portion of the street, and to widen it by giving up to the public way the part coloured Blue on the Plan submitted. He states that he finds there will be a difficulty in obtaining, for some time to come, the necessary area at the rear for four of the new houses, the possession of the part coloured Yellow on his Plan not falling in until Michaelmas 1888. Your Committee under all the circumstances of the case, are of opinion that the application should be sanctioned conditionally, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, subject to the applicant satisfying the Solicitor that he has an Agreement for a Lease of the property coloured Yellow on the Plan.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. R. H. Girdler, on behalf of Mr. J. Smith, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projecting bay-window, in front of No. 26, Upland-road, East Dulwich, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 5th instant (No. 66). The structure in question is really a shop front, projecting 2 feet 6 inches from the external face of the wall, and built entirely of wood and glass. It is supported above the ground level upon wooden brackets. The Vestry of Camberwell do not object to the proposal, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the bay-window be made in conformity with the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, extended or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. M. Davis, for the consent of the Board to the reservation of Nos. 1 and 2, North-street, Pentonville, to the advanced

line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 19th instant (No. 55). The Board, on the 29th January last, declined to approve of the extension of the two houses as then proposed. The present Plan shows the line in North-street advanced 7 feet beyond the existing line, and a strip of land, varying from 5 inches to 2 feet in width, with a triangular piece at the corner, given up to the public way. The line of frontage in Collier-street remains unaltered. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. W. H. Grist, Secretary of the Rectory-road Congregational Church, Stoke Newington, relative to the offer of the Board to return the deposit-money in respect of the temporary Church erected in Rectory-road, Stoke Newington, referred by the Board on the 19th instant (No. 65). This is one of the temporary buildings in respect of which the deposit of £50 still remains in the hands of the Board. Mr. Grist states in reply to the Board's communication that he now occupies the position formerly held by the original depositor and that the latter will sign any memorandum which the Board may require. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Grist be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the deposit will be returned to him upon his satisfying the Solicitor of the Board that he is entitled to receive the same.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Rev. B. Brigg, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected in Verney-road, Rotherhithe, referred by the Board on the 19th instant, (No. 68). The building was first approved in November, 1883, for a period of two years, and the District Surveyor states that he now finds it to be in a sound condition. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, from the 2nd April till the 31st December, 1886, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. A. Payne, on behalf of Mr. W. M. Baker, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open stone portico, and a four-storey bay-window, in front of No. 11, Harley-street, Cavendish-square, St. Marylebone, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 19th instant (No. 60). In connection with the rebuilding of the premises it is proposed to erect an open stone portico projecting 2 feet, and to carry up a bay-window projecting 9 inches on the basement, 1 foot on the ground floor, and 1 foot 6 inches on the 1st and 2nd floors. Your Committee consider the proposal objectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. L. R. Ford, on behalf of Messrs. Hall and Co., for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a wood and iron shed on vacant land adjoining No. 29, Layard-road, Bermondsey, referred by the Board on the 19th instant (No. 63). The Board, in October last, declined to sanction the retention of a shed on the site, and further applications in respect thereof were refused on the 20th November and 22nd January last. The present application is for the addition of a wood and iron shed to the existing building, and your Committee, thinking it objectionable, recommend—

That it be not granted.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Mr. J. F. Goody, on behalf of the Agricultural and Horticultural Association, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of an iron shed at their Wharf at Deptford-creek, Deptford, referred by the Board on the 19th instant (No. 74). In December last, the Board declined to sanction a shed in the locality because of the quantity of timber used in its construction. The proposed shed will be entirely of iron, but it will communicate

by doorways and windows with the adjoining old buildings, and the contents of the whole block will exceed 216,000 cubic feet. It appears to your Committee desirable that the buildings should be separated by party walls and iron doors, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Woodthorpe and Hammond, on behalf of the Estate Trustees of St. Giles Without, Cripplegate, and St. Luke, Middlesex, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the Baths and Laundry of the Artizans' Dwellings in Chatham-gardens, Nile-street, referred by the Board on the 29th January last (No. 64). The shaft is detached, and is 51 feet in height above the ground level, being 6 feet square at the base and 3 feet square at the top. It is required in connection with the Baths and Laundry for the Artizans' Dwellings in Chatham-gardens, with reference to which your Committee reported on the 19th instant. Your Superintending Architect reports the construction to be satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. Cook, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of, and upon land adjoining, the premises known as "Cairboock Lodge," Stanstead-road, Forest-hill, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 51). It is proposed to convert Cairnboock Lodge into two shops, and to extend it to within 5 feet of the public way. The houses to the Eastward are let as private dwellings, and have long forecourts in front. The Owner of the adjoining premises is opposed to the Plan, and your Committee, agreeing with your Superintending Architect in considering the application objectionable, recommend—

That it be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. A. H. Kersey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the Woolmore Estate, Brockley-road, Lewisham, to the lines shown upon the modified Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 52). The Board on the 13th August, 1880, approved of the laying out of the Estate, as shown on the Plan then deposited. The applicant desires to erect houses to the Red lines shown on the Plan now submitted. There will be forecourts to the houses, of the depth suitable to the class of building in course of erection on the Estate. The flanks of the houses at the corners of the main streets are to be extended to the pathway. Your Committee consider the Plan satisfactory, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the houses therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 2nd April, 1886, and also upon condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration the Letter from the St. Olave District Board, asking this Board to determine the line of frontage on the North-West side of Thomas-street, Horselydown, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 53). The Board, on the 5th February last, declined to sanction the erection of new warehouses on this side of Thomas-street, to the line shown on the Plan then submitted. The builder now proposes, in addition to carrying out the Plan first submitted, to round the corner of Messrs. Lee's premises next Shad Thames, upon the re-building of the whole line from No. 35, Thomas-street to Shad Thames. The St. Olave District Board suggest that the frontage line to be adopted should be

determined by this Board, but your Committee see no reason for interfering in the matter, and they recommend—

That the St. Olave District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter, that the line of frontage in Thomas-street is determined by the buildings already existing in that street, and that the Board are unable to take any action in the matter.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. T. Marke, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 165, Hampstead-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 54). The one-storey shop will project 23 feet beyond the main wall of the house. No extension similar to that now proposed has been sanctioned in the immediate vicinity. Your Committee consider the Plan objectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Messrs. T. C. Clarke and Son, on behalf of Mr. W. Wilson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 167 to Nos. 175 (odd numbers only), Hampstead-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 55). This application is similar to that above referred to, it being proposed to erect shops projecting about 22 feet beyond the main wall. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 59), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. W. Harbrow, on behalf of Messrs. Passmore and Engelhardt, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-hall on the East side of Cornwall-road, Brixton. It is proposed to erect the structure upon vacant land, and to place it 5 feet from the public way. It measures 25 feet by 15 feet, with a height of 15 feet, and is constructed with a framework of wood and iron upon a brick foundation, covered externally with corrugated iron. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of two years from the 2nd April 1886, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. Lidiard, on behalf of the South London Harriers Club, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a wood and iron building in Oldridge-road, Clapham, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 61). The building was approved by the Board in May, 1885, for a period of Two years. In January last the applicant informed the Board that objection was taken by the District Surveyor to the construction of the building, which was not erected in accordance with the approved Drawings. A Summons has been obtained by the District Surveyor against the Owners in respect of the irregular structure, which has been adjourned until the 5th April to allow of an amended Plan being submitted to the Board. The Drawing now presented shows that it is intended to insert additional rafters, collars, and iron ties between those now existing, but no reference is made to covering the roof with corrugated iron in accordance with the approved Drawings. The building is at present merely covered with a roofing of felt. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 62), referred to your Committee the application of Messrs. Walker and Runtz, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the West side of Marsh-lane, Greenwich. It is proposed to lay out the Estate by forming a new road 50 feet in width commencing at a point in Marsh-lane, opposite Glenister-road, extending round the Estate, returning again

into Marsh-lane. The Greenwich District Board offer no objection. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the road, and that the name "Mayston-crescent, S.E." be approved for the same.

Your Committee have proceeded upon the reference by the Board on Friday last (No. 63), referring for consideration and report the joint Notice from Mr. J. Dyke and Mr. J. Miller, of their intention to form a paved street to lead out of the East side of Stoke Newington-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying such Notice. The 20-feet way is to extend for a short length Eastward of Stoke Newington-road, when it will turn Northward, and form a communication with Wellington-street. The street will have Industrial dwellings erected fronting upon it, built up to the pavement line, and it will be enclosed at each end with gates. The Hackney District Board consider the proposal objectionable. Your Committee recommend—

That the Plan accompanying the Notice be not approved.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
DONALD MUNRO,
W. R. SELWAY.
W^m. SHEPHERD.

The Report having been read and received,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Justices of Middlesex be informed that the works required by the Board to be done to the Alma Music Hall, in Alma-street, New North-road, Shoreditch, have been completed.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application of Mr. C. S. Aubrey, on behalf of Mr. S. Edwards, for a Certificate by the Board under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, in respect of the proposed construction of a new Concert-room on the West side of the "Hare" Public-house, No. 505, Cambridge-road, Cambridge-heath, fronting on Hare-place, be granted, on condition that the door next the street be made to open outwards; and that the Certificate of the Board be issued upon the completion of the building in accordance with the amended Drawing submitted by the applicant on the 3rd March, 1886, to the satisfaction of the Board, and subject to the above condition.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Vestry of Camberwell be informed that the movable or temporary Theatre, formerly erected on land near the "White Horse" Public-house at Peckham-rye, without the consent of the Board, has been taken down and entirely removed from the site.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 13, Duke-street, Old Artillery Ground had failed to comply with the Order made by J. L. Hannay, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Worship-street Police-court, on the 24th day of February last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the whole of the front and back walls of the Structure No. 13, Duke-street, Old Artillery Ground, and the remainder of the angle stack of chimneys of the same.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the

Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 6, Horatio-street, Bethnal-green, had failed to comply with the Order made by J. L. Hannay, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Wcrship-street Police-court, on the 24th day of February last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the front of the house, No. 6, Horatio-street, Bethnal-green, where the same is bulged, decayed, and out of the upright, and the back chimney-stack of the same where decayed, and also the water-closet walls where the same are loose.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Messrs. Pattison, Wigg and Co., with respect to the erection of walls on the forecourt of No. 117, Anerley-road, Penge, beyond the general line of buildings in that road be approved, and that Messrs. Pattison and Co. be informed accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, as to the erection of a two-storey workshop on land abutting upon a narrow foot-way at the rear of No. 178, High-road, Kilburn, be approved, that the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, as to the extension of a new shop at the corner of Elsie-road, East Dulwich, beyond the extent sanctioned by the Board, and that the Vestry be informed accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Messrs. E. Carleton Holmes and Son, on behalf of Messrs. Meux and Co., requesting the Board to modify, in the terms of the altered acceptance accompanying their Letter, the condition imposed by the Board's Resolution of the 5th February last (No. 10), with reference to the surrender to the public of ground in connection with the re-erection of "The Thatched House" Public-house, in Essex-road, Islington, be granted, on condition that the applicants do accept the modified form of acceptance prepared by the Solicitor.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. C. Bentley, on behalf of Mr. A. Heaver, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of St. John's-road, Battersea-rise, be granted, upon condition that the roads be formed as shown on the amended Plan submitted by the applicant, and signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and also upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Aliwal-road, S.W.," "Comyn-road, S.W.," "Eckstein-road, S.W.," and "Severus-road, S.W.," be approved for the same.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That no action be taken on the Letter from the Hackney District Board, as to the erection of signposts on the foot-paths of Glyn-road, Homerton, contrary to the Resolution of this Board of the 7th January, 1881 (No. 59), and that the District Board be informed that they have power to deal with the case under the 119th Section of the Act 18 and 19 Vict., c. 120.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the fence across the Southern entrance to Manthorpe-road, referred to in the Letter from the Plumstead District Board, be approved, and that the District Board be informed accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That no action be taken

with reference to the application of Messrs. T. Laws and Son, on behalf of Dr. Parrott, for the consent of the Board to an enclosed porch in front of No. 82, Camberwell-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, and that Messrs. Laws and Son, the Vestry of Newington, and the District Surveyor be informed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. E. Yates, stating that he was about to make arrangements for pulling down and re-building a part of Gaywood-street, St. George's-road, Southwark, and for widening the thoroughfare, by giving up the portion of land coloured Blue on the Plan accompanying his Letter, and asking the Board to waive the requirement in the 29th Section of the Metropolitan Building Act as to the area required for the yards of the proposed new buildings until Michaelmas, 1888, at which time he would have possession of the part coloured Yellow on the Plan, which would give the area required by the Act, be approved, and that the application be granted, subject to the applicant satisfying the Solicitor that he has an Agreement for a Lease of the property coloured Yellow on the Plan, and also upon his giving a legal undertaking to the satisfaction of the Solicitor that he will, within the time named, add the ground to the houses referred to.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. R. H. Girdler, on behalf of Mr. J. Smith, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projecting bay-window in front of No. 26, Upland-road, East Dulwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the bay-window be made in conformity with the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, extended or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. M. Davis, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of Nos. 1 and 2, North-street, Pentonville, to the advanced line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. W. H. Grist, Secretary of the Rectory-road Congregational Church, Stoke Newington, be informed, in reply to his Letter relative to the return of the deposit-money in respect of the temporary Church erected in that road, that the deposit will be returned to him upon his satisfying the Solicitor that he is entitled to receive the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of the Rev. B. Brigg, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected in Verney-road, Rotherhithe, be granted, from the 2nd April till the 31st December, 1886, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. Payne, on behalf of Mr. W. M. Baker, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open stone portico, and a four-storey bay-window, in front of No. 11, Harley-street, Cavendish-square, St. Marylebone, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. L. R. Ford, on behalf of Messrs. Hall and Co., for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a wood and iron shed on vacant land adjoining No. 29, Layard-road, Bermondsey, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. F. Goodey, on behalf of the Agricultural and Horticultural Association, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of an iron shed at their Wharf at Deptford-creek, Deptford, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Messrs. Woodthorpe and Hammond, on behalf of the Estate Trustees of St. Giles Without, Cripplegate, and St. Luke, Middlesex, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the Baths and Laundry of the Artizans' Dwellings in Chatham-gardens, Nile-street, be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Mr. W. Cook, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of, and upon land adjoining, the premises known as "Cairnboock Lodge," Stanstead-road, Forest-hill, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Mr. A. H. Kersey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the Woolmore Estate, Brockley-road, Lewisham, to the lines shown upon the modified Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the houses therein referred to be commenced within six months, and be completed within eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the St. Olave District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter, asking this Board to determine the line of frontage on the North-West side of Thomas-street, Horselydown, that the line of frontage in Thomas-street is determined by the buildings already existing in that street, and that the Board are unable to take any action in the matter.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Mr. T. Marke, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 165, Hampstead-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Messrs. T. C. Clarke and Son, on behalf of Mr. W. Wilson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 167 to Nos. 175 (odd numbers only), Hampstead-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Mr. W. Harbrow, on behalf of Messrs. Passmore and Engelhardt, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-hall on the East side of Cornwall-road, Brixton-hill, be granted for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Mr. J. Lidiard, on behalf of the South London Harriers Club, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a wood and iron building in Oldridge-road, Clapham, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Messrs. Walker and Runtz, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of the West side of Marsh-lane, Greenwich, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the road, and that the name "Mayston-crescent, S.E.," be approved for the same.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the Plan accompanying the joint notice from Mr. J. Dyke and Mr. J. Miller, of their intention to form a paved street to lead out of the East side of Stoke Newington-road, Stoke Newington, be not approved.

9. It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the consideration of the Report of the Parliamentary Committee relative to the Board's Petition against the Horse Guards-avenue Bill, be further adjourned until the next meeting of the Board.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd April, 1886, on applications from the following Vestries and District Boards, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of Applications	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
CHELSEA.					
1886 25th March.	Keppel-street, in six sections.	Repairing roadway.	6 days each	6 days section.	Marlborough-road.
HACKNEY.					
27th March.	North - street, South Hackney.	Sewerage.	6 days.	6 days.	Victoria-park and Gore-roads.
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.					
1st April.	Curzon-street, from Queen-street to Half Moon-street.	Paving.	2 weeks.	2 weeks.	Charles, &c., Streets.
POPLAR.					
1st April.	Bridge-road.	Repairing Bridge across the Lime-house entrance to West India-dock.	2 days.	2 days.	The Dock roadways.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestries and District Boards, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

11. The Engineer presented a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring-gardens,
1st April, 1886.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE SEVERAL SPECIAL CONTRACT WORKS.

Holloway and Northern High Level Sewers Relief Lines.—Mr. W. Rigby, Contractor.—A length of about 13,000 feet of brick Sewers, varying in diameter from 7 feet to 5 feet 6 inches, has been constructed at an estimated cost, with other works in connection therewith, of £46,600, of which about £3,900 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. T. Panter, G. Larkin, T. Wighton, J. Driffield, J. Boyden, and J. Pope, at a weekly cost of £18 18s.

Queen's-road, Dalston, &c., Sewer.—Messrs. Nowell and Robson, Contractors.—A length of about 6,400 feet of brick Sewer, varying in size from 5 feet by 4 feet to 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches, egg shape, is complete, the estimated value of which, with other works in connection therewith, is £15,000, of which about £1,400 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. J. Carter and J. Lake, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Clapham to Putney Relief Sewers.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The main line of Sewer from the "Bedford Arms" Public-house, Clapham, to Roehampton-lane, Putney, has been completed, with the exception of the aqueduct crossing the Wandle-valley, which is still in

progress. The six branch Sewers are also complete. The approximate value of the works done is about £133,200. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. C. Bedloe, and J. Judd, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Putney (new) Bridge.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The four piers and two abutments have been constructed up to the formation level of the road-way. The five granite arches have been constructed, the spandrel ashlar and brickwork have been built up to the formation level of the Bridge road-way, and about one-half of the pitching for this road-way has been laid and grouted. The cornices and parapets are being fixed. The construction of the road-way approaches at the Fulham and Putney extremities of the Bridge, together with the parapet and retaining walls thereto, is well advanced. The total approximate value of permanent work executed is about £214,000 (which amount includes the value of materials delivered and accepted), of which about £1,500 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. A. Boag and J. Gooding, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Hammersmith Bridge.—Messrs. Dixon, Appleby and Thorne, Contractors.—The temporary Bridge has been completed and opened for traffic since April last. The whole of the road metalling, the planking of the carriage and foot-ways, the cross girders and the suspension rods, and the pier towers of the old Bridge have been removed. The temporary chains for the erection of the permanent link chains have been raised to their required positions; the cofferdam for the underpinning of the Southern pier has been completed; the excavations for the Northern and Southern abutments of the new structure have also been completed, and the concrete is being filled into them. The anchor abutment castings, steel anchor forgings, and abutment saddles have been fixed, and some portions of the wrought-iron towers, the whole of the new cross girders, and some of the steel pins and nuts (for the new chains) and pier column castings have been manufactured and delivered upon the works. The total approximate value of permanent work executed (including ironwork delivered) is about £36,500, of which about £1,500 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. T. M. Carey and H. Rice, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Battersea Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Co. have completed the works comprised in their Contract (undertaken by them for the sum of £7,153) for the construction of a temporary foot-bridge and the removal of the old Bridge.

Lambeth Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., Contractors.—The re-paving of the carriage-way is complete, and the painting of the ironwork of the Bridge is in progress. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. H. Beecher, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, and be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. H. Eaton, applying for permission to lay a three-inch pipe under the Victoria Embankment road-way, from the Subway to the foot of Savoy-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application; stating that the pipe was necessary for the purpose of extending existing wires in the Subway to the Strand, by way of Savoy-street; and recommending that the application be granted, subject to the brickwork of the Subway, and the trench in the road-way of the Embankment, being made good under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the proper Officer of the Board and at the sole cost of the Post Office authorities.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the application be granted on the conditions recommended in the Report.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd April, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal were required for use at the Western Pumping Station—

						ESTIMATE.
80 Tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	...	£72 6 8
80 ,, Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	...	56 6 8
Total	...	...	...	...	...	£128 13 4

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal be obtained accordingly; the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd April, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contract, viz.—

<i>Crossness Pumping Station.</i>				ESTIMATE.		
Clearing out the deposit and repairing the banks of the settling pond	£100	0	0			
Cleansing the sewage pump wells	60	0	0			
<i>Southern Outfall Sewer.</i>						
Cleansing the Sewer from Plumstead to Crossness	110	0	0			
<i>Duffield Sluice, Bermondsey.</i>						
Repairs to the sluice house	25	0	0			
Total	£295	0	0			

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly; the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd April, 1886, stating that the 13-inch centrifugal pump, at Crossness Pumping Station, required immediate repair, and that a new fan and cast-iron basin and directrix should be supplied and fixed in connection therewith, and recommending that the works be executed by Messrs. Easton and Anderson, according to their estimate of £42 10s.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly; the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd April, 1886, stating that Mr. W. Groves, Surveyor in his Department, was still absent in consequence of illness, and submitting a Medical Certificate as to his state of health.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That a fortnight's further leave of absence be granted to Mr. Groves.

17. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill, 1886, was still awaiting appointment to a Select Committee of the House of Commons; that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been appointed for the 6th instant; and that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill had been appointed for the 13th instant.

18. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill, introduced by Mr. Dixon-Hartland, had been appointed for this evening.

19. The Solicitor reported that the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill had been considered by a Committee of the whole House on the 1st instant, and was appointed for further consideration this day.

20. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

21. The Solicitor read a Report dated 2nd April, 1886, of the decision of the House of Lords on the Appeal relative to a building erected in De Vere-gardens, Kensington, with respect to which the Vestry had taken proceedings.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be referred to

the Building Act Committee, with authority to obtain permission to print the Judgment, if necessary, for the information of the Members of the Board.

22. The Solicitor reported that the undermentioned Members had been nominated to serve on the Committee appointed to consider the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill—

Mr. Cobb,
Lord Algernon Percy,
Mr. Leveson Gower,
Mr. Leatham, and
Mr. Tottenham,

and that the Committee would meet on the 6th instant to choose their Chairman and to consider their course of proceeding.

23. The Solicitor reported that the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 1) Bill (Lord Rayleigh), and the Electric Lighting Act (1882) (No. 2) Bill (Lord Ashford) had been read a second time in the House of Lords last night and referred to a Committee, and that the Members to serve on the Committee had not yet been named. The Solicitor also presented a copy of the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 3) Bill, which had been introduced by Lord Houghton, and reported that it had been read a first time in the House of Lords on Friday last, and a second time last night, and referred to the same Committee as the two Bills above referred to.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded, and resolved—That a copy of the Bills be sent to each Member of the Board.

24. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the pollution of the River Lee had met for the first time on the 30th ultimo, when Sir Charles Russell, the Attorney-General, had been appointed Chairman of the Committee, and evidence had been given as to the cause of the condition of the River last summer; that Mr. Corble, the Clerk to the Lee Conservancy Board, had given evidence, and that the Committee had adjourned until to-day, when evidence would be given by the Sanitary Engineer of the Lee Conservancy Board, and he presented a printed copy of Mr. Corble's evidence.

25. The Solicitor reported that Sir R. Cross had given notice to ask the Secretary to the Treasury whether in order to prevent further risk of accident, the Government were prepared to take charge of the Duke of York's Column, and of the moneys belonging thereto.

26. Read a Report, as follows—

2nd April, 1886.

EAST LONDON WATER BILL.
LAMBETH WATERWORKS BILL.
SOUTHWARD AND VAUXHALL WATER BILL.

The following Members have been nominated to serve on the Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to consider these Bills—

Nominated by the House—

Mr. Westlake,
„ O. V. Morgan,
„ Morgan Howard,
„ Murdoch,
„ Thorold Rogers.

Nominated by the Committee of Selection—

Mr. Deasy,
Sir Andrew Fairbairn,
Lord Claude John Hamilton,
Mr. Stafford Howard.

The Committee met for the first time yesterday to choose their Chairman and to consider their course of proceeding, when Lord Claud Hamilton was appointed Chairman, and the Committee will meet on Tuesday next, the 6th instant, to proceed with the consideration of the Lambeth Water Bill.

My instructions are not to instruct Counsel to appear upon the Board's Petitions, and although, as to two of the Bills, a Clause will be required as to the Board's Sewers, I think it will be better for the Board not to appear before this Committee on either of the three Bills. I do not anticipate any difficulty in obtaining the insertion of proper Sewer Clauses in the House of Lords, but if the Board appeared upon their Petitions before the Select Committee there would be some risk of the Board incurring expenses.

(Signed) R. WARD,
Solicitor.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

The motion having been put to the vote, there were for it 21, against it 4, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

27. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Commons and Inclosure Acts Amendment Bill, which had been introduced and read a first time in the House of Commons, and reported that the second reading had been appointed for the 26th May next.

28. The Solicitor reported that the arrangements as to the undermentioned Loans had been completed, and that the Cheques for the amounts had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities—

	AMOUNT OF LOAN.				
Hampstead Vestry	...	...	...	...	£3,500
St. James, Westminster, Vestry	...	...	...	...	3,000

29. The Solicitor presented a Petition prepared in accordance with the direction of the Parliamentary Committee, praying that the Standing Orders might not be dispensed with in respect to the North London Tramways Bill.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Petition; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

30. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period proposed for the re-payment of the Loan of £6,000 to the Vestry of Chelsea, but that owing to the unavoidable delay in carrying out the arrangement for the Loan it was necessary that the day for re-payment of the annual instalments should be changed from 1st October to 1st April.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the alteration of date be approved.

The Solicitor suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, to enable him to complete the matter.

It was thereupon moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved, and ordered, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same or some or one of them have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first mentioned Act within the said Parish, of a sum of Six thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying part of the expense incurred, or to be incurred by them in erecting, on a freehold site belonging to the Vestry, Offices within their Parish, for the purposes of the first mentioned Act, and for transacting the ordinary business of the said Vestry. And whereas the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Six thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purposes aforesaid. Therefore it is ordered that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Six thousand pounds for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of three pounds ten shillings per centum

per annum, and the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of Thirty years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque for the sum of £6,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of Chelsea; and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund accordingly.

31. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing---

Conveyance by the Trustees of the Islington Dispensary of leasehold interest in No. 303, Upper-street, Islington, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Upper-street, Islington, Improvement).

Agreement for sale by the Board to the Greenwich District Board of land on the South side of Deptford Bridge, abutting South upon the River Ravensbourne (Deptford Bridge approach).

Appointment of Mr. Vulliamy as Valuer in the matter of claim by W. Harding and J. Rogers, in respect of copyhold premises, No. 317, Upper-street, Islington (Upper-street, Islington, Improvement).

Conveyance to the Board by the Rev. J. M. Nisbet, of Nos. 33 and 35, Crown-street, and Nos. 7 to 12, Denmark-place, St. Giles, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement).

Conveyance by the Trustees of the Parish Church of St. John, Hampstead, of land situate in Perrins-court, Church-place, Hampstead, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Hampstead Improvements).

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

32. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 26th ultimo (No. 8), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Bridge-street, &c.	...	...	...	...	Greenwich.
King-street, St. Paul, Deptford	...	...	...	...	do.
Regent-street, St. Paul, Deptford	...	...	...	...	do.
York-road, Ratcliff	...	...	...	...	Limehouse.
Baker's-mews	...	...	...	...	St. Marylebone.
Montagu-mews, South	...	...	...	...	do.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

33. The Clerk presented a notification of the Gas Referees as to the testing of Gas for the Summer, 1886.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said notification be referred to the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee.

34. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. H. Parkes, Secretary of the Bolingbroke Tradesmen and Ratepayers' Club (Battersea), dated 26th March, 1886, forwarding a copy of a Resolution, stating that the Club were of opinion, considering the large number of Open Spaces taken by the Board under their control since the passing of the Wandsworth-common Act of 1871, thereby considerably increasing the Consolidated Rate, to which the Parishes of Battersea and Wandsworth were large contributors, that the time had arrived when every effort should be made to secure that the Metropolitan Rate should also bear the cost of maintaining Wandsworth-common.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

35. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. H. Denham, dated 27th March, 1886, asking for a copy of the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee, relative to Sewage, and for permission to inspect the Sewage works at Barking, and submitting particulars of a Scheme by which a saving could be effected in the cost of the treatment of the Sewage at the Barking and Crossness Outfalls.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

36. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. A. Hemsley, Clerk to the Acton Local Board, dated 26th March, 1886, stating that the Local Board were desirous that the Stamford-brook Sewer should be covered over between the points A and B shown on the Plan accompanying the Letter, and also stating that they were willing to contribute one-half of the expense, if this Board would provide the other half, the estimate of the total cost being £500.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

37. The Clerk presented a copy Report of the Water Examiner, appointed by the Board of Trade, of the examination made by him of the Water supplied by the several Metropolitan Water Companies during the month of February last.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Gunyon, Superintending Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, dated 27th March, 1886, thanking the Board for having increased his salary.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be received.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Chappell, dated 30th March, 1886, asking for an interview with the Board to explain his system of dealing with Sewage sludge in pressed cakes.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

40. The Clerk presented a Letter from H. G. Hills, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 29th March, 1886, stating that the District Board had amended the Clauses which they required the Promoters of the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme to insert in the Provisional Order, and that the Promoters having given an undertaking to insert such amended Clauses the formal consent of the Board to the scheme had been handed to them, and transmitting six copies of the amended Clauses.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do report to the Committee thereon.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. J. Byworth, Clerk to the Vestry of Battersea, dated 30th March, 1886, transmitting a Memorial from the Vestry, praying the Board to undertake the control and management of Wandsworth-common.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. Christian, dated 31st March, 1886, stating that Mr. Woodd and himself were desirous that the fountain provided by them at Haverstock-hill should be transferred to the middle portion of the East Heath, Hampstead, asking for the Board's consideration of his request, and stating Mr. Woodd and himself would, if necessary, pay the cost of removal and reinstatement.

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It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration and report.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. C. Jones, Clerk to the St. Giles District Board, dated 29th March, 1886, stating that the District Board had completed the Improvement in Cross-lane, Newton-street, and asking for payment of the promised contribution towards the cost thereof.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead.

Vestry-hall, Hampstead, N.W.,
31st March, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am desired by the Vestry of this Parish to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works for permission to borrow a Loan of £1,000, being the amount of the purchase-money for an additional piece of freehold land immediately adjoining the Vestry Hall structure.

The Vestry have found it necessary to secure this piece of land, it being in the market for sale, and to prevent the close proximity of buildings which would interfere with light and air to the Vestry Offices.

In the event of permission being given, the Vestry will be glad to learn that the Metropolitan Board of Works will be willing to advance the Loan required, to be re-payable over as long a period as can be granted,—the Vestry are prepared to take up the Loan at once.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. H. Leane, dated 31st March, 1886, asking permission to erect a Kimmeridge Carbon Filter at the Crossness Pumping Station, and to use and experiment with a portion of the sludge which passes through the Board's presses; also asking permission to erect a temporary drying shed for the purpose of drying, grinding, and mixing the sludge with carbon and preparing it as a marketable manure, and that he might use the Board's landing stage.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

46. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. Gardner, dated 15th March, 1886, suggesting the formation of a canal from Stanford-le-Hope or Mucking to Rainham, thence to Barking, to take the Sewage of the Metropolis and prevent its return on the flood tide.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That Mr. Gardner be thanked for his communication.

47. Mr. Deputy Saunders handed in a Letter, as follows—

London, Sewers' Office, Guildhall,
1st April, 1886.

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—The Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, availing themselves of the opportunity afforded by the re-building of the premises, No. 30, Fore-street, and No. 1, Aldermanbury-postern, have negotiated for setting back the said premises for the improvement of the public way, as shown by the Red tint upon the accompanying Plan.

This has been arranged at a cost of £890, and as every additional foot of ground in this busy centre of London is of importance to the general public the Commissioners trust that your Honourable Board will, in accordance with your custom in such cases, contribute towards the said expense.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) H^Y. BLAKE,
Principal Clerk.

The Plan referred to was laid before the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Deputy Saunders, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter and Plan be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. J. Edwards and A. Rogers, dated 29th March, 1886, asking for an interview with the Board for the purpose of submitting an iron fire-proof door which they had constructed.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter from the Rev. S. A. Barnett, dated 30th March, 1886, relative to the structural condition of Queen's-place, Whitechapel, and to the danger to the inhabitants in case of fire.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

50. A Report by the Accountant, dated 2nd April, 1886, was laid before the Board, relative to the necessity for appointing an additional Junior Clerk in the Accountant's Department.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

51. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 30th ultimo, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphureted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.1	16.1	16.6	11.2	8.7	9.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	None
	Camden ...	17.7	16.0	16.7	12.9	10.5	11.8	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston ...	16.6	16.2	16.4	15.0	12.5	13.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow ...	17.6	16.9	17.1	12.2	9.1	10.1	1.2	0.6	1.0	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.3	16.3	16.3	14.1	12.1	13.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	"
	" (Nine-elms) ...	16.5	16.1	16.2	14.7	10.6	13.0	0.8	0.2	0.5	"
	Kingsland-road ...	17.0	16.5	16.8	11.8	9.6	11.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross ...	17.0	16.1	16.5	14.5	8.6	12.4	0.9	0.6	0.7	"
	St. John's-wood ...	16.9	16.0	16.4	14.6	12.0	13.6	0.6	0.0	0.3	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Station closed for repairs									
	Peckham ...	16.8	16.5	16.7	13.8	7.2	10.6	0.8	0.0	0.3	"
	Tooley-street ...	16.4	16.4	16.4	13.5	8.8	11.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	"
	Olapham ...	16.8	16.2	16.6	19.8	6.7	14.1	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Lewisham ...	16.8	16.4	16.6	11.0	9.7	10.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Old Ford ...	17.6	16.9	17.3	10.2	8.3	9.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	16.4	15.9	16.1	15.3	9.3	13.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Cambridge-road, Mile-end, on the 25th, at 9 p.m., was 2.1 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Wells-street, W., on the 27th, at 8 p.m., was 2.9 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in Effra-road, Stockwell, on the 24th, at 7 p.m., was 1.8 inches.

- 52. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1886, on Letters from Mr. H. Jarvis, District Surveyor, and Messrs. Oliver and Leeson, stating that a Disagreement having arisen between them relative to the construction of staircases at Alleyn Boys' School, Dulwich, they, in accordance with the 30th Section of the Building Act, submitted the matter for the consideration of the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the subject be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 53. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. W. Mills, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay windows to Nos. 3 to 21, Kirkwood-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Dresser Rogers, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-windows therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 54. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Lea, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey addition to the "Victoria" Public-house in Choumert-road, Peckham, to the line shown on the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Dresser Rogers, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 55. KENSINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Whiteley, on behalf of Mrs. Harrington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows to No. 24, Pembridge-crescent, Notting-hill, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-windows therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 56. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Roycroft, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four shops on the North side of Acre-lane, Brixton, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 57. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 22nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. M. Nelson, on behalf of Mr. T. H. Maudslay, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shed addition to premises on the East side of Knight's-hill, Lower Norwood, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 58. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 22nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. W. Hunt, on behalf of Messrs. Allen and Co., for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projecting portico, and also a buttress on the ground floor, two bay windows on the first floor,

and projecting chimney-stacks on the upper floor, of premises on the North side of Addington-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted subject to the condition that the several erections therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

59. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Crickmay and Son, on behalf of Messrs. J. and W. Nicholson and Co., for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of "The Horns" Tavern, in Kennington-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

60. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. G. Lavender, on behalf of Mrs. H. Major, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses on the North side of Wildfell-road, and of a house, with a one-storey shop, at the corner of Wildfell-road and High-road, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

61. PLUMSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. S. Jobbins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in front of Nos. 143 to 155 (odd numbers only), High-road, Lee, formerly Nos. 2 to 8, Newton-villas, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

62. PLUMSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Beaves, on behalf of Mr. Dorrell, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards and wooden pent roofs to houses in St. Mildred's-road, Burnt-ash, Lee.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

63. SHOREDITCH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. W. Skelton, on behalf of Mr. Soul, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a two-storey bay-window to No. 20a, and of two one-storey bay-windows at Nos. 20 and 20A, New North-road, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-windows therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

64. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 22nd March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. J. and J. Goodman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops adjoining Nelson-row, on the South side of High-street, Clapham, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

65. ROTHERHITHE.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. Chafen, on behalf of the Manganese Bronze and Brass Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at St. George's Wharf, Commercial-dock-passage, Deptford.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

66. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Harbrow, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-hall on the East side of Hatcham-road, Old Kent-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

67. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Thomas, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building, erected at the rear of houses in Evelyn-street, Deptford.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a further period of One year from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

68. KENSINGTON.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Barber, on behalf of the Kensington Lawn Tennis Club, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and Willesden paper building at the Tennis-ground, in St. Alban's-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

69. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. M. Brutton, on behalf of Mr. Dressler, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft, at premises at the rear of Mary-street, Clapham-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

70. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Garcke, on behalf of the Anglo-American Brush Electric Light Corporation, Limited, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary iron building at the rear of No. 112, Belvedere-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

71. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Brown, Son and Blomfield, on behalf of the Trustees of the Lewisham Congregational Church, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-room, in Station-road, Ladywell.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 72. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1886, on the joint application of Mr. L. Mason and Mr. P. B. Cow, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary Mission-hall erected in Eardley-road, Streatham, and for approval of a Plan for the construction of an addition to the said Mission-hall, also requesting the return of the deposit of £50.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 73. BERMONDSEY.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. H. Jarvis and Son, on behalf of Messrs. E. Lazenby and Son, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open shed at the rear of premises in Crimscott-street, Grange-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 74. WHITECHAPEL.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. M. Knight, on behalf of Messrs. A. J. and G. Hollington, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of horizontal fire-resisting separations at a warehouse in Middlesex-street, and also for openings in the walls in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 75. LAMBETH.**—Read a communication from Mr. John Alexander James Woodward, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Central Lambeth and part of Battersea, dated 23rd March, 1886, notifying that the erection of two cottages in George-street, and of additions to Nos. 48 and 49, Regent-street, were about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—*Whereas*, Mr. John Alexander James Woodward, District Surveyor for the District of Central Lambeth and part of Battersea, did, on the 23rd day of March, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said John Alexander James Woodward, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the erection of two cottages in George-street, and of additions to Nos. 48 and 49, Regent-street, and the said John Alexander James Woodward has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is *ordered* by this Board—That Mr. Edwin Richard Hewitt, District Surveyor for the District of St. Saviour, St. George-the-Martyr (part), and Christ Church, Southwark, and the Northern Division of Lambeth, be appointed by this Board, and the said Edwin Richard Hewitt is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

- 76. WESTMINSTER.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. D. Drury, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in certifying that a chimney-breast in the East party-wall of No. 2 Grey-coat-place, might be cut away.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Ten shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

- 77. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 1st April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. R. Johnston, on behalf of Mr. W. Newholm, for approval by the Board of a proposed variation from the Drawing approved by the

Board for a proposed new Music-hall at the rear of the "Old Pied Bull," Public-house, No. 188, Holloway-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*--That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

78. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. J. G. Turner, Deputy District Surveyor, relative to the position of two houses and shops in course of erection on the East side of Highgate-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

79. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. J. G. Turner, Deputy District Surveyor, relative to the erection of buildings by Messrs. Jackson and Griffiths, on the North side of Holloway-road, in advance of the line sanctioned by the Board on the 17th April, 1885 (No. 71).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

80. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Deputy Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1886, on a Letter from the Wandsworth District Board relative to the proposed erection of houses on the North-East side of Hildreth-road, Balham High-road, Streatham, whereby the road-way would be reduced in width to 34 feet, instead of being 40 feet wide, as approved by the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

81. It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, pursuant to notice, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Brown be re-appointed on the Building Act Committee, and that Mr. Lammin be appointed on the Fire Brigade Committee.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 9th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 14

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **9th** day of **April**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^CGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

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JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.		
JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 2nd instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.
2. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 6th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 20th March, 1886	...	...	...	£120,500	16	—
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day	167,628	10	10			
						£288,129 6 10
Payments since 20th March, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	262,544 — 5
Balance on 3rd April, 1886	...	{ viz: Cash Balance at Bank		£28,235	19	3
		Less cheques not presented		2,650	12	10
						25,585

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance on 20th March, 1886	...	...	...	...	£1,148	7	1
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	...	4,493	6	2
							£5,641 13 3
Payments since 20th March, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,006 18 7
Balance on 3rd April, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	634 14

Total Cash Balances on 3rd April, 1886 **£26,220**

Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 20th March, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.				Balances, 3rd April, 1886.		Cheques but 1886
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.			At Debit.	At Credit.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Working Accounts—									
General ...	7,256 2 10	...	1,164 3 4	22,335 1 8			28,427 1 2	...	119
Fire Brigade ...	21,223 1 10	...	5,431 19 2	4,744 18 4			20,536 1 —	...	14
Bridges ...	...	6,375 2 9	536 9 4	116 17 7			...	6,794 14 6	...
Capital Accounts—									
General ...	...	376,169 12 5	£100,000 — —	16,479 11 10			...	459,690 — 7	60,700
Fire Brigade ...	2,523 10 5	...	...	46 6 —			2,569 16 5	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1877) ...	29 7 6	...	...	...			29 7 6	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1881) ...	16,937 10 6	...	...	3,768 2 9			20,705 13 3	...	507
Bridges (Act of 1883) ...	4,924 14 —	...	...	91 6 3			5,016 — 3	...	9
Main Drainage and Main Sewers ... }	16,395 7 10	...	...	15,756 18 6			32,152 6 4	...	867
Parks and Open Spaces ... }	118 4 7	...	...	16 10 5			134 15 —	...	...
Highbury Fields ...	60,407 2 6	...	...	...			60,407 2 6	...	7
Streets (Act of 1872) ...	43 10 2	...	...	935 7 6			978 17 8	...	9
Streets (Act of 1877) ...	40,665 8 3	...	...	14,590 19 —			55,256 7 3	...	20,936
Tooley-street Extension (Act of 1882) ... }	6 4 —	...	...	...			6 4 —	...	40
Streets (Act of 1883) ...	51,994 16 2	...	...	13,128 4 11			65,123 1 1	...	12,431
Streets (Act of 1884) ...	2,889 17 7	...	...	5 12 —			2,895 9 7	...	...
Streets (Act of 1885) ...	8 2 6	...	...	...			8 2 6	...	...
Appold Street ...	...	189 12 1	...	54 19 6			...	134 12 7	...
Hampstead Im- provements ... }	39,275 15 5	...	42 6 2	8,115 6 11			47,348 16 2	...	8,220
Poplar Improvement ...	16 19 7	...	...	925 19 —			942 18 7	...	2,405
Thames Floods Pre- vention ... }	75 17 1	...	...	288 7 7			364 4 8	...	...
Miscellaneous—									
Dwelling House Im- provement Fund ... }	12,552 18 7	...	12,732 14 9	2,379 7 7			2,199 11 5	...	6,321
Consolidated Loans Fund ... }	...	14,971 2 7	47,720 18 1	158,764 3 1			96,072 2 5	...	6,051
Firemen's Savings Fund ... }	...	139 17 6	...	...			...	139 17 6	...
	277,344 11 4	397,845 7 4	167,628 10 10	262,544 — 5			441,173 18 9	466,759 5 2	118,640
	£120,500 16 —						£25,585 6 5		

INVESTMENTS.

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND	...	...	£3,120 8 5	...	Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT	...	...	£99,545 4 1	...	Treasury Bills, due 7th April, 1886.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 22nd March, to 3rd April 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Supplemental assessment, <i>re</i> Government property—											
St. George, Hanover-square	...	...	...	...	...	145	8	-			
Fees—											
<i>Re</i> Construction of buildings (Building Act)	...				...	£6	10	-			
„ Dangerous structures	„	...	...	...	...	350	12	8			
„ Gas-meter testing	...	...	...	...	...	258	19	-			
„ Petroleum	...	...	...	...	...	13	-	-			
„ Explosives	...	...	...	...	...	3	9	-			
									632	10	8
Fine—											
<i>Re</i> Building Act	...	...	...	...	...	150	-	-			
Costs recovered—											
<i>Re</i> Loans	...	...	...	...	...	£80	14	6			
„ Damage to iron fence, Victoria Embankment	...				...	12	15	5			
Law-costs, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	-	18	-			
									94	7	11
Proceeds of sales of carcasses—											
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	...	...	...	...	...	£8	9	5			
Plans, &c., sold	...	...	...	...	...	78	15	-			
Costs in connection with the grant of an easement to the South Eastern Railway Co. over the Victoria-embankment						34	12	4			
									1,164	3	4

FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.

Contributions from Commissioners of H.M. Works, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	2,500	-	-			
Contributions from insurance companies	...	...	...	...	...	2,804	12	8			
Contributions from men towards rent	...	...	...	...	...	103	15	6			
Chimney-fire penalties	...	...	...	...	...	17	1	-			
Watching premises	...	...	...	...	...	1	10	-			
Subscription for telegraphic communication	...	...	...	...	...	5	-	-			
									5,431	19	2

BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	67	14	4			
Justices of the Peace for Middlesex—											
One-quarter's contribution towards the maintenance of Bridges	...				...	300	-	-			
South-Eastern Railway Co.—											
One-quarter's charge, under Captain Galton's award, in respect of difference in value of tolls on Deptford-creek Bridge (40 and 41 Vic., cap. 99, sec. 23)	...	...	...	...	...	168	15	-			
									536	9	4

GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

Treasury Bills discounted	...	...	...	...	...				100,000	-	-
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HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...				42	6	2
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DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	6	17	2			
Sales (Goulston-street)	...	...	...	...	...	12,699	-	-			
Interest, <i>re</i> sales (Goulston-street)	...	...	...	...	...	26	17	7			
									12,732	14	9

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	1,897	4	9			
Loans—											
Interest	...	...	...	...	...	£29,205	10	3			
Repayments	...	...	...	...	...	16,608	3	1			
									45,813	13	4
Carried forward						£47,710	18	1	119,907	12	9

					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	47,710	18	1	119,907	12	9
Sales—										
	Upper-street (old materials)	...	...	...	10	-	-	47,720	18	1
								£167,628	10	10

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £26,287 6s. 5d. be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures; and they recommend—

That the necessary Order be made with respect to the same.

Your Committee have considered the application from the Hackney District Board, for a Loan of a sum of £10,000, referred by the Board on the 23rd December, 1885, (No. 29), and 26th February last (No. 34). The Loan is required to defray a moiety of the cost of constructing Temple-mills Bridge, and for paving and other works, estimated to cost £10,337. The Board approved of the Plans for the Bridge, and agreed to pay one-half of the certified cost, and a Cheque for the amount, £2,128, was drawn on the 12th February last, leaving the District Board to provide for the remaining moiety, £2,129. The proposed paving works comprise the laying down of 8,328 superficial yards of new granite pitching and channelling, on cement concrete foundations, at a cost of £5,690 8s. 1d., towards which the North London Tramways Company contribute £1,750. It is also proposed to re-set 1,462 yards run of granite kerb, and lay 3,504 superficial yards of 6-inch wood blocks, both on cement concrete foundations, at a cost of £100 10s. 3d. and £1,664 8s. respectively, making a total net cost for paving of £5,705 6s. 4d. Certain works of improvement, for facilitating the traffic by widening the streets have been carried out by the District Board at Church-street, Clapton-road, Urswick-road, and Brooksby's-walk, at a cost for the land (exclusive of works) of £1,890, and for works at sundry open spaces, at a cost of £613, exclusive of this Board's contribution. Your Engineer and your Superintending Architect have reported that the cost of the several works is fair and reasonable, and your Committee seeing no objection to the advance, recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Hackney District Board, for the Loan of a sum of £10,000, towards defraying the cost of the construction of Temple-mills Bridge, and the execution of paving, improvement and other works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, as to £8,400 for Temple-mills Bridge, granite paving, and improvement works in 15 years, and as to £1,600, for wood paving, in 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of Chelsea, for a Loan of a sum of £7,000, for wood paving, referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 44). The Vestry propose to have laid in King's-road (between Liverston-street and Lots-road) and Pont-street, a total estimated quantity of 14,417 superficial yards of 6-inch wood block paving, on Portland cement concrete foundations 6 inches in thickness, at a cost (10s. per yard) of £7,208 10s., which your Engineer reports to be fair and reasonable. Mr. Mossop, the representative of the Vestry, has explained to your Committee the

desirability of the work being carried out forthwith, and your Committee concurring in that view, recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Chelsea, for an advance of a sum of £7,000, to defray the cost of wood paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st April within 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the School Board for London, requesting a further advance of a sum of £100,000, referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 48). The Loan is required for the purchase of sites and for the erection or enlargement of school-houses, for which the requisite consent of the Educational Department has been obtained. This Board have arranged to provide the funds for the advance, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the School Board for London, for a further Loan of a sum of £100,000, for the purposes of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up by the 16th instant, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st April, within 50 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

By Section 38 of the Board's Money Act, 1885 (48 and 49 Vic. c. 50), it is enacted that where any Dividend accrued due on any sum of Stock is not claimed for 10 years or more, the Dividend so unclaimed, and all Dividends subsequently accrued due in respect of the same sum of Stock, and unclaimed shall be paid to the Board. Your Committee consider that it will be convenient if the unclaimed Dividends be now paid to the credit of the Board's Account at the London and Westminster Bank, the Bank of England furnishing the Board with a detailed list of the Dividends so paid. As regards the Dividends accruing in future on Stock transferred to the "Metropolitan Board of Works Unclaimed Stock Account," the Bank of England should be requested to prepare a Power of Attorney for execution by the Board, to enable the London and Westminster Bank to receive the Dividends, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That a communication to the foregoing effect be sent to the Bank of England.

Under the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1883, certain Improvements were authorised to be effected at Hampstead, and the Vestry of that Parish are required from time to time to contribute towards the expenses incurred in relation to such Improvements, a sum equal to one-half of such expenses. Your Accountant has submitted to your Committee a statement of the Hampstead Improvement Cash Account up to the 3rd April, in continuation of the former statement, which shows an overdrawn balance of £47,348 16s. 2d. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That a communication be addressed to the Vestry of Hampstead requesting that the sum of £20,000 may be paid to the Board on account of the Hampstead Improvements as soon as possible.

Your Committee have ascertained that the totals of the net Ratable Value of property in the Metropolis will be known on the 7th instant, and that your Accountant proposes to have the requisite apportionments made and the Precepts ready for sealing by the Board on the 21st instant, in order that they may be issued before the Easter Recess. To enable him, however, to do this, it will be requisite that additional skilled assistance should be engaged to assist in the work, so that it may be done by the time stated. Having regard to the importance which it will be to the Vestries and District Boards

in facilitating the making of their Rates to have the Precepts served promptly, your Committee recommend—

That the Accountant be authorised to engage such extra skilled assistance as he may require for the purpose stated, at a cost not exceeding £10 10s.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
JOHN TOLHURST,
GEORGE JAMES.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

MOORE, J., AND SON—(1037)—						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
6352	Short-hand notes, <i>re</i> Theatres Bill, March, 1886					...	...	3	-	4	
COMPENSATIONS for cattle slaughtered under Contagious Diseases (Animals)											
Act—(1026)—											
6353	Morgan, J.	...	...	...	...	£125	5	-			
6354	Busson, J.	...	...	...	...	10	10	-			
6355	Huckett, J. H.	...	...	...	...	55	10	-			
6356	Morgan, E. D.	...	...	...	...	34	10	-			
6357	Thomas, J.	...	...	...	...	54	-	-			
6358	Reynolds and Son	...	...	...	...	60	-	-			
6359	Stevens, Mrs. E.	...	...	...	...	15	-	-			
6360	Taylor, E.	...	...	...	...	35	5	-			
6361	Covell, E.	...	...	...	...	36	-	-			
6362	Phillips, D.	...	...	...	...	45	15	-			
6363	Phillips, D.	...	...	...	...	58	10	-			
6364	Jenkins, G.	...	...	...	...	13	10	-			
6365	Batters, Mrs. M. A.	...	...	...	...	16	10	-			
								560	5		
COMPENSATIONS for swine slaughtered under Contagious Diseases (Animals)											
Act—(1027)—											
6366	Davis, R. C.	...	...	...	...	£2	-	-			
6367	Martin and Sons	...	...	...	...	11	10	-			
								13	10	-	
BROWNING, J.—(812)—											
6368	Field-glasses for Hackney-downs and Clapham and Streatham-commons, March, 1886					...	...	6	6	-	
SMITH, J., AND Co.—(1062)—											
6369	Stationery, account-books, &c., October to December, 1885					...	491	16	4		
LAMBETH WATERWORKS Co.—(1056)—											
6370	Hydrants	...	...	...	...	...	3,099	7	6		
NEW RIVER Co.—(1054 & 1060)—											
6371	Repairs to hydrants, August and October, 1885					...	£8	10	8		
	Removing and re-fixing hydrants, March, 1885					...	24	4	7		
								32	15	3	
FRASER AND FRASER—(1052)—											
6372	Repairs at Abbey-mills pumping-station, March, 1886					...	17	18	8		
HUMPHREYS, J. C.—(1053)—											
6373	Iron building for deodorizing purposes at Crossness, February, 1886					190	-	-			
WEST HAM LOCAL BOARD—(1045)—											
6374	Paving-work at Upper-road, Plaistow, February, 1886					...	163	15	8		
DAVIES, T. W.—(1051)—											
6375	Carriage of lamps on Victoria-embankment, April to August, 1885					3	7	-			
CHILMAN, J. B.—(813)—											
6376	Repairing and sharpening gardening-tools, Southwark-park, April to November, 1885...					...	14	3	9		
JACKSON, F. A., AND SON—(814)—											
6377	Carting fencing, hurdles, &c., from Highbury-fields to Finsbury-park, December, 1885					...	3	-	-		
Carried forward						...	£4,599	5	6		

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	4,599	5	6	...		
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(1031)—											
Fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures—											
6378	Ashbridge, A.	...	...	...	...	£2	-	-			
6379	Carritt, E.	...	...	...	...	2	5	-			
6380	Dale, D. R.	...	...	...	...	2	12	6			
6381	Drury, E. D.	...	...	...	...	2	10	-			
6382	Fletcher, B.	...	...	...	...	4	7	6			
6383	Fowler, C.	...	...	...	...	4	2	6			
6384	Grose, V. J.	...	...	...	...	4	12	6			
6385	Hammon, H. J.	...	...	...	...	5	-	-			
6386	Hayward, C. F.	...	...	...	...	3	5	-			
6387	Hewitt, E. R.	...	...	...	...	2	5	-			
6388	Jennings, J.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
6389	Lansdown, G.	...	...	...	...	5	7	6			
6390	Legg, H. S.	...	...	...	...	6	7	6			
6391	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	...	2	10	-			
6392	Notley, R. P.	...	...	...	...	2	-	-			
6393	Parsons, H.	...	...	...	...	4	15	10			
6394	Plumbe, R.	...	...	...	...	2	5	-			
6395	Porter, F. W.	...	...	...	...	2	10	-			
6396	Stenning, A. R.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
6397	Wallen, F.	...	...	...	...	2	7	6			
6398	Woodthorpe, E.	...	...	...	...	12	11	2			
									77	19	6
VAUGHAN, S. G., AND Co.—(1044)—											
6399	Office furniture, February and March, 1886	...	...	...	...	16	19	-			
SMITH, W. AND F.—(1039)—											
6400	Cleaning windows at offices, Spring-gardens, year 1885	...	...	...	...	80	10	-			
ASHTON, C.—(1030)—											
6401	Return of deposit in respect of temporary building at rear of houses in Globe-road, Mile-end	...	...	...	...	50	-	-			
SMITH, L.—(901)—											
6402	Counsel's fees, <i>re</i> Nathan (Building Act case), November, 1885	...	...	...	...	13	9	6			
TENNANT, C., SONS AND Co.—(1042)—											
6403	Manganate of soda for deodorising, February and March, 1886	...	...	...	...	2,647	10	8			
TOWNSON AND MERCER—(818)—											
6404	Materials for chemical department and for testing gas, quarter to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	48	18	2			
OFFICERS' increases of salaries and allowances, quarter to Lady-day, 1886—(1046)—											
6405	Nairn, C. W.	...	...	...	...	£5	10	-			
6406	Gunyon, T.	...	...	...	...	25	-	-			
6407	Elwin, C.	...	...	...	...	5	-	-			
6408	Davies, E. C.	...	...	...	...	6	5	-			
6409	Burton, T.	...	...	...	...	6	5	-			
6410	Rand, G. R.	...	...	...	...	5	-	-			
6411	Toynbee, W. S.	...	...	...	...	2	10	-			
6412	Grimwood, R.	...	...	...	...	6	5	-			
									61	15	
HAWES, W. A.—(1047)—											
6413	Gratuity for extra services, as per Order of Board, 26th March, 1886	...	...	...	...	20	-	-			
TAYLER, W., Representative of—(1048)—											
6414	Retiring allowance from Christmas, 1885, to 21st February, 1886, (date of decease)	...	...	...	...	16	2	2			
SMITH, J., AND EUSTACE, E.—(1049)—											
6415	Commission on dangerous structure cases placed in their hands for collection, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...	30	7	6			
									7,662	17	-
	Carried forward	...	...	...	...				£7,662	17	-

	£	s.	d.	£
Brought forward	...	...	...	7,662 17 -
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.				
MILLS AND KNIGHT—(964)—				
2657 Balance of amount of contract and extras for general repairs to float "Dodo" (No. 754)	142	13	-	
BRENTFORD GAS Co.—(1028)—				
2658 Gas for Hammersmith station, quarter to Christmas, 1885	8	11	4	151 4 4
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.				
LAYTON, SON AND LENDON—(1034)—				
6416 Costs of production of deeds, <i>re</i> Kendall, Hackney-commons				2 2 -
FIRE BRIGADE CAPITAL ACCOUNT.				
SHAND, MASON AND Co.—(965)—				
2659 Balance of amount of contract and extras for two steam fire-engines for raft (No. 718)	303	19	7	
STIMPSON AND Co.—(963)—				
2660 On account of contract for erection of station at Stoke Newington (No. 773)	561	12	-	865 11 7
BRIDGES (ACT OF 1877).				
WEBSTER, W.—(894 and 895)—				
1 Balance of bill for contract works for protecting foundations of one of the piers of Waterloo-bridge (Contract No. 573)	59	19	9	
2 Balance of bill for protecting others piers of Waterloo-bridge (Contract No. 587)	7,649	15	4	7,709 15 1
BRIDGES (ACT OF 1883).				
WEBSTER, W.—(893)—				
11 Bill for experimental works at Hammersmith-bridge	701	2	11	
DIXON, APPLEBY AND THORNE—(1076)—				
12 Further on account of contract for alterations to Hammersmith-bridge (No. 716)	900	-	-	1,601 2 11
STREETS (ACT OF 1877).				
TURTON, E. R.—(1043)—				
8751 Counsel's fees, March, 1886, <i>re</i> France's trustees (Charing-cross)				22 9 -
STREETS (ACT OF 1883).				
DE GREY, HON. J. A.—(1032)—				
957 Counsel's fees, <i>re</i> Hurlock (Walworth-road), March, 1886	12	3	6	
SURVEYORS' INSTITUTION—(1040)—				
.958 Hire of rooms for arbitration—				
<i>Re</i> Hurlock (Walworth-road)	£6	6	-	
,, Islington Chapel (Upper-street)	6	6	-	
	12	12	-	24 15 6
HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.				
BROWNE, G.—'900)—				
341 Return of amount in respect of deposit upon execution of tenancy agreement				5 -
DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.				
ROBERTS, DR. H. W.—(1038)—				
5759 Professional services, <i>re</i> Hughes-fields, Deptford scheme				25 - -
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.				
COPPLESTONE, J.—(1064)—				
1167 Return of amount of property and land taxes in respect of rent received by the Board	10	1	4	
Carried forward	£10	1	4	18,069 17 5

							£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward							10	1	4	18,069	17	5
DANKS, T.—(1041)—												
1568	Return of amount of property-tax in respect of rent received by the Board						2	-	-	12 1 4		
SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.												
MILNE, SONS AND MACFIE—(1036 and 821)—												
1917	Bills for gas-fittings, &c., for repairs, October to December, 1885—											
	General Working Account						30	5	6			
	Bridges (Maintenance) Account						9	2	3	39 7 9		
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(902 and 1055)—												
1918	Coals and coke, January to March, 1886—											
	General Working Account—											
	Parks, &c.						14	8	6			
	Pumping-station, &c.						246	10	-	260 18 6		
GAS LIGHT AND COKE Co.—(1029)—												
1919	Gas for premises occupied by the Board, quarter to Christmas, 1885—											
	General Working Account						639	2	5			
	Fire Brigade Working Account						437	19	9			
	Bridges (Maintenance) Account						26	19	7			
	Streets (Act of 1877)						87	5	10	1,191 7 7		
MARRIOTT, RT. HON. W. T., Q.C., M.P.—(1059)—												
1920	Counsel's fees, March, 1886—											
	Streets (Act of 1877)						57	15	-			
	Streets (Act of 1883)						128	14	-	186 9 -		
HODGES AND SON—(967 and 1033)—												
1921	Short-hand notes, January to March, 1886—											
	Streets (Act of 1883)						£4	17	-			
	Hampstead Improvements						2	2	-			
	Thames Floods Prevention						36	15	8	43 14 8		
	Bridges (Act of 1881)						2	2	-			
	Streets (Act of 1877)						3	19	-	6 1 -		
LUCAS, H.—(1035)—												
1922	Expenses in connection with arbitrations—											
	Streets (Act of 1877)						3	-	-			
	Streets (Act of 1883)						4	12	6			
	Thames Floods Prevention						9	4	6	16 17 -		
RUSSELL, W.—(1050)—												
1923	Commission on weekly rents collected, during March, 1886—											
	Bridges (Maintenance) Account						1	3	8			
	Hampstead Improvements						1	7	7			
	Dwelling House Improvement Fund						1	6	-			
	Consolidated Loans Fund						8	6	5	12 3 8		
STREET, BROTHERS—(1061)—												
1924	Advertisements, February, 1886—											
	General Working Account						57	17	6			
	Bridges (Maintenance) Account						1	7	9	59 5 3		
PHILLIPS, J. AND J.—(1063)—												
1925	Fair-copying, stamps, &c., November and December, 1885—											
	General Working Account						119	16	11			
	General Capital Account						45	11	2			
	Fire Brigade Working Account						2	2	1			
	Bridges (Act of 1881)						28	5	10			
	Bridges (Act of 1883)						6	18	3			
	Woolwich Ferry (Act of 1885)						-	9	6			
Carried forward							£203	3	9	19,898	3	2

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19,898	3	
PHILLIPS, J. AND J. (continued)	...	...	...	...	...	203	3	9			
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2			
<i>Highbury Fields</i>	...	...	...	...	...	3	-	3			
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	56	9	7			
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	96	14	5			
<i>Streets (Act of 1884)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	10	18	9			
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	...	37	1	8			
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	...	...	-	16	7			
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	...	59	12	8			
									468	18	10
PETT, W.—(1079)—											
1926 Repairs to premises occupied by Board's tenants, or taken for											
Improvements, January, 1886—											
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	5	18	8			
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	199	15	6			
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	...	115	6	9			
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	...	29	16	-			
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	...	60	-	7			
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	...	57	8	11			
									468	6	5
WATER for premises occupied by the Board—(1078)—											
1927 Chelsea Waterworks Co.—											
<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£93	3	6					
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	21	8	6			114	12	-
1928 East London Waterworks Co.—											
<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£17	3	6					
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	14	7	5			31	10	11
1929 Grand Junction Waterworks Co.—											
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	...	5	4	9			
1930 Kent Waterworks Co.—											
<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£18	8	6					
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	6	17	8			25	6	2
1931 Lambeth Waterworks Co.—											
<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£9	-	9					
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	7	10	-			1	10	9
1932 New River Co.—											
<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£7	6	-					
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	7	9	3			14	15	3
1933 Southwark and Vauxhall Water Co.—											
<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£42	17	-					
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	42	-				84	17	-
1934 West Middlesex Waterworks Co.—											
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	...	5	14	-			
									298	10	10
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(1080 and 1081)—											
Repayment of advances—											
1935 Weekly wages—Two weeks to 31st March, 1886—											
<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£1,584	4	6					
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	7	11	-					
<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	12	1	6					
<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	18	6	-					
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	81	12	-					
<i>Parks and Open Spaces</i>	...	...	...	16	19	2					
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	8	2	9					
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	3	3	-					
<i>Streets (Act of 1884)</i>	...	...	...	5	12	-					
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	2	8	-					
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	28	14	6					
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	68	8	-					
Carried forward	...	...	...	£1,837	2	5	...		21,133	19	3

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...			...			21,133	19	3
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)		...	1,837	2	5						
<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	27	16	6						
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	28	14	6						
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	67	5	—						
						1,960	18	5			
Firemen's wages—Two weeks to 5th April, 1886—											
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...			2,003	1	4			
Weekly pensions, to 27th March, 1886—											
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	..	...			68	12	2			
									4,032	11	11
1936 Petty disbursements, 14th to 27th March 1886—											
<i>a General Working Account</i>	..	...	88	3	1						
<i>b Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	£6 7 5									
<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	— 14 8									
						7	2	1			
<i>c General Working Account</i>	...	£2 15 11									
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	1 4 6									
						4	—	5			
<i>d Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...				—	16	4			
<i>e Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...				1	19	—			
<i>f Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...				—	8	5			
<i>g Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...				1	1	8			
<i>h General Working Account</i>	...	£— 1 6									
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	— 10 —									
						—	11	6			
General Working Account—											
<i>i Expenses of transfer of common-keeper (Bone),</i>											
as per Order of Parks, &c., Committee	...	...	1	10	—						
Fire Brigade Working Account—											
<i>j Compensation for damage at No. 1, Santley-</i>											
street, Brixton	...	...	2	10	—						
<i>k Redemption of tithe-rent-charge and expenses,</i>											
<i>re Old Kent-road station</i>	...	...	1	7	3						
Dwelling House Improvement Fund—											
<i>l Arrears of quit-rent, to 17th March, 1886, re</i>											
Colebrooke (Goulston-street)	...	...	—	11	8						
<i>m Costs of production of deeds, re Gibbons (Tabard-</i>											
street, Southwark)	...	...	1	11	6						
Firemen's Savings Fund—											
<i>n Amount withdrawn</i>	...	...	72	10	8						
Compensation to tenants on removal—											
<i>o Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	£17 10 —									
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	7 — —									
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	23 10 —									
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	1 10 —									
						49	10	—			
Postages, 14th to 27th March, 1886—											
<i>p General Working Account</i>	...	£24 — —									
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	5 — —									
						29	—	—			
									262	13	7
Rent of lodgings for firemen, March, 1886—											
<i>q Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	£122	—	—						
Rates, &c., in respect of the "Robin Hood" Public-											
house, Great Windmill-street (Piccadilly)—											
<i>r Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	8	6	—						
South Metropolitan Gas Co.—											
<i>s Gas for premises occupied by the Board—</i>											
<i>General Working Account</i>	...	£65 4 11									
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	300 14 4									
						365	19	3			
Carried forward...	...	...	£496	5	3	262	13	7	25,166	11	2

9 April, 1886.

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ...			...			...	25,166	11	2
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &C., ACCOUNT—(continued)	...	496	5	3	262	13	7			
Expenses at fires and incidentals, February, 1886—										
<i>t Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	224	3	2				720	8	5
Amounts to be paid through the Account—										
Bills for sums under £2—										
<i>u General Working Account—</i>										
Ingram, Harrison and Co.—Rent										
of sluice-house, Horselydown	£-	9	8							
McLeod, G., and Co.—India-										
rubber stamps for office use	-	3	1							
Withall, W. H.—Rent of portion										
of site of Ranelagh sewer ...	-	19	4							
Waygood, R., and Co.—Repairs										
to lift at office ...	1	12	-							
Whatcott, J.—Boots for liftman										
at office ...	-	16	-							
Sax, J.—Repairs to electric bell										
at office ...	-	3	-							
Wright, A., and Co.—Gauges for										
sewerage experiments ...	1	3	9							
Cattermole, D.—Repairs to gar-										
dening-tools ...	1	17	6							
Greening, H. W.—Repairs to gar-										
dening-tools ...	-	18	6							
Neal, G.—Drain-pipes for Toot-										
ing-common ...	1	1	-							
Officers—Arrears of increase of										
salary, to Lady-day, 1886 ...	2	8	10							
District Surveyors—Fees, <i>re dan-</i>										
gerous structures ...	7	15	-							
					19	7	8			
Rates and taxes for premises occupied by the Board										
or taken for improvements—										
<i>v General Working Account</i> ...					1	1	3			
<i>w Streets (Act of 1877)</i> ...	£14	14	2							
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund...</i>	3	9	9							
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i> ...	99	-	5							
					117	4	4			
								137	13	3
										1,120 15
										£26,287 6 5

Examined,

(signed)

T. G. FARDELL,
W. URQUHART,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
JOHN TOLHURST,
GEORGE JAMES,
JNO. LENANTON.

Certified,

(signed)

A. GUNN,
Accountant.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £26,287 6s. 5d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Fees specified in the Three summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to C inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous

Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Ashbridge, A. ...	1	1 12 6	1	- 7 6	2 - -
2	Badger, C. J. ...	2	1 15 -	...	...	1 15 -
3	Blashill, T. ...	1	- 12 6	...	...	- 12 6
4	Carritt, F. ...	3	1 10 -	2	- 15 -	2 5 -
5	Dale, D. R. ...	3	2 12 6	...	...	2 12 6
6	Drury, E. D. ...	3	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
7	Fletcher, B. ...	4	4 7 6	...	...	4 7 6
8	Fowler, C. ...	5	4 2 6	...	...	4 2 6
9	Grose, V. J. ...	3	4 12 6	...	...	4 12 6
10	Hammon, H. J. ...	4	5 - -	...	...	5 - -
11	Hayward, C. F. ...	3	3 5 -	...	...	3 5 -
12	Hewitt, E. R. ...	3	1 17 6	1	- 7 6	2 5 -
13	Jarvis, H. ...	1	1 - -	1	- 7 6	1 7 6
14	Jennings, J. ...	1	- 17 6	2	1 5 -	2 2 6
15	Knightley, T. E. ...	1	- 12 6	...	...	- 12 6
16	Lansdown, G. ...	4	5 7 6	...	...	5 7 6
17	Large, W. A. ...	3	1 17 6	...	...	1 17 6
18	Legg, H. S. ...	7	6 7 6	...	...	6 7 6
19	McDonell, G. ...	4	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
20	Markham, S. S. ...	1	1 10 -	...	...	1 10 -
21	Notley, R. P. ...	1	1 7 6	1	- 12 6	2 - -
22	Parsons, H. ...	7	4 15 10	...	...	4 15 10
23	Plumbe, R. ...	1	1 - -	2	1 5 -	2 5 -
24	Porter, F. W. ...	2	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
25	Stenning, A. R. ...	3	2 2 6	...	...	2 2 6
26	Wallen, F. ...	1	2 - -	1	- 7 6	2 7 6
27	Woodthorpe, E. ...	18	12 11 2	...	...	12 11 2
		90	80 7 -	11	5 7 6	85 14 6

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Hackney District Board for a Loan of a sum of £10,000 towards defraying the cost of the construction of Temple-mills Bridge, and the execution of paving, improvement and other works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, as to £8,400 for Temple-mills Bridge, granite paving, and improvement works, within a period of Fifteen years, and as to £1,600, for wood paving, within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Chelsea, for an advance of a sum of £7,000, to defray the cost of wood paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st April within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the School Board for London, for a further Loan of a sum of £100,000, for the purposes of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up by the 16th instant, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 1st January, the 1st April, the 1st July, and the 1st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 1st April, within a period of Fifty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a communication be addressed to the Bank of England intimating that it will be convenient to the Board if unclaimed Dividends, under Sec. 38 of the Act 48 and 49 Vict. c. 50, be paid to the credit of the Board's Account at the London and Westminster Bank, the Bank of England furnishing the Board with a detailed list of the Dividends so paid, and that the Bank be requested to prepare a Power of Attorney, for execution by the Board, to enable the London and Westminster Bank to receive the Dividends accruing in future on Stock transferred to the "Metropolitan Board of Works Unclaimed Stock Account."

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a communication be addressed to the Vestry of Hampstead requesting that the sum of £20,000 may be paid to the Board on account of the Hampstead Improvements as soon as possible.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, with a view of expediting the apportionment of the expenses of the Board to be raised in 1886, and the preparation of the necessary Precepts, so that they may be issued before the Easter recess, the Accountant be authorised to engage such extra skilled assistance as he may require, at a cost not exceeding £10 10s.

3. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 5th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Alexander (Battersea)—(968)—</i>							
Young, Jackson and Beard—							
49	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	...		13	12 4

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

<i>Re The Merchant Shipping Co., Limited—(969)—</i>							
The Merchant Shipping Co., Limited—							
1269	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in land in						
	Samuda-street, North	...	...	...	850	-	-
Clarkson, J.—							
1270	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	...	...	17	17	-
						867	17 -

Streets (Act of 1872).

<i>Re Cooper (Old-street)—(970)—</i>							
Lowless and Co.—							
4849	Half-year's annuity on life of Mrs. Leworthy,						
	due Christmas, 1885 (less Tax)	...	...	...		9	13 4
Carried forward					...	£891	2 8

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	891	2	8
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>						
<i>Re Marquis of Salisbury (Charing-cross)—(971)—</i>						
Nicholson and Herbert—						
8732 Taxed Costs of Arbitration	447	18	11			
<i>Re Corporation of London (Southwark-bridge-road)—</i>						
(972)—						
Payne, S.—						
8733 One-quarter's Rent of Nos. 107 to 109 and 111 and 112, Blackman-street, due Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	77	2	8			
<i>Re France's Trustees (Charing-cross)—(973)—</i>						
Dalston, H. M.—						
8734 Half-year's Rent (less Tax) of No. 38, High- street, Bloomsbury, and one-quarter's Rent of No. 16, Denmark-street and No. 37, Crown-street, Soho, to Lady-day, 1886, and Insurance premium	67	5	8			
<i>Re Dray (Charing-cross)—(974)—</i>						
Solomon, J. J.—						
8735 Costs of Title and Conveyance	12	12	-			
<i>Re Denman and Burgess (Charing-cross)—(975)—</i>						
Sherwood, C. G.—						
8736 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	6	12	10			
<i>Re Stanford (Southwark-bridge-road)—(976)—</i>						
Stanford, Wm.—						
8737 Purchase-money for ground and sheds at corner of King-street and Mint-street	65	-	-			
Haynes, B.—						
8738 Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	4	4	-			
<i>Re Pickard (Charing-cross)—(977)—</i>						
Pickard, T. L. S.—						
8739 Purchase-money in respect of Leasehold interest in part of No. 3, Oxford-street, Soho	£170	-	-			
8740 Trade compensation	480	-	-			
				650	-	-
Baines, C., and Ball—						
8741 Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	18	18	-			
<i>Re Scardefield (Charing-cross)—(978)—</i>						
Scardefield, Mrs. Julia—						
8742 Purchase-money in respect of Three years' agree- ment in No. 13, Denmark-street, Soho, and Trade compensation	75	-	-			
Fuller and Fuller—						
8743 Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	4	4	-			
<i>Re Radigon (Charing-cross)—(979)—</i>						
Radigon, Emile—						
8744 Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 32, Castle-street, Soho, and Trade compensation	175	-	-			
8745 Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	7	7	-			
Carried forward	£1,611	5	1	891	2	8

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	1,611	5	1	891	2	8
<i>Re Robinson (Charing-cross)—(980)—</i>								
	Robinson, Walter—							
8746	Compensation in respect of yearly tenancy of part of No. 5, White Hart-court, Castle-street, and Trade compensation	...	286	-	-			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
8747	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	11	17	-			
<i>Re Roberts (Charing-cross)—(981)—</i>								
	Roberts, T.—							
8748	Compensation for loss of business and removal from No. 74, New Compton-street	...	250	-	-			
<i>Re Foster (Southwark-bridge-road)—(982)—</i>								
	Foster, A.—							
8749	Compensation for removal from the "Fountain and Grapes" Public-house, before expiration of tenancy	...	20	-	-			
<i>Re Denman and Co. (Charing-cross)—(983)—</i>								
	Funge, J.—							
8750	Assistance on Trade claim	...	8	8	-			
						2,187	10	1
<i>Tooley-street Extension (Act of 1882).</i>								
<i>Re South-Eastern Railway Co.—(984)—</i>								
	Stevens, W. R.—							
176	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...				40	-	-
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re Watkins' Executors (Bermondsey)—(985)—</i>								
	Fairfoot, Webb and Rooke—							
919	One-quarter's Rent of No. 8, Bermondsey-square, to Lady-day, 1886, less Property-tax and ground-rent	...	4	-	2			
<i>Re Lias (Bermondsey)—(986)—</i>								
	Wilkinson and Son—							
920	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	17	-	-			
<i>Re Wood (Upper-street, Islington)—(987)—</i>								
	Wood, Mrs. Harriet—							
921	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 79, Cross-street	£170	-	-				
922	Trade compensation	...	930	-	-			
						1,100	-	-
	Klenck, J. M.—							
923	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	23	2	-			
<i>Re Parrington (Upper-street, Islington) —(988)—</i>								
	Walker, W.—							
924	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	12	1	4			
<i>Re Noton (Upper-street, Islington)—(989)—</i>								
	Noton, Thos.—							
925	Proportion of Rent of Nos. 157 and 158, Upper-street, and stabling at rear from Christmas, 1885, to 8th March, 1886 (less Tax)	...	45	1	8			
	Carried forward	...	£1,201	5	2	3,118	12	9

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	1,201	5	2	3,118	12	9
<i>Re Mellenfield (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(990)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 1, Chester-place—							
926	Mellenfield, James Henry	...	£103	6	8			
927	Mellenfield, Miss Ada Elizabeth...		103	6	8			
928	Mellenfield, Miss Elizabeth Mary		103	6	8			
						310	-	-
	Hovenden, Heath and Berridge—							
929	Surveyors' Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	11	11	-			
<i>Re Lofts (Upper-street, Islington)—(991)—</i>								
	Lovell, T.—							
930	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	16	-	-			
<i>Re Miles (Upper-street, Islington)—(992)—</i>								
	Miles, Miss Emma Susannah—							
931	Compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 304, Upper-street	...	450	-	-			
	Newbon and Harding—							
932	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	16	16	-			
<i>Re Central Bank of London, Limited (Bermondsey)—(993)—</i>								
	The Central Bank of London, Limited—							
933	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 14 and 15, Bermondsey-new-road	...	75	-	-			
	Field, J. F.—							
934	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	4	4	-			
<i>Re Armfield (Bermondsey)—(994)—</i>								
	Simpson, Palmer and Winder—							
935	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	10	7	10			
<i>Re Faust (Tower-hill)—(995)—</i>								
	Faust, Carl—							
936	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 4, Postern-row		£159	-	-			
937	Trade compensation	...	631	-	-			
						790	-	-
	Ellis, R., and Son—							
938	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	21	-	-			
<i>Re Hall (Bermondsey)—(996)—</i>								
	Seymour, E.—							
939	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	5	11	4			
<i>Re Vernon (Bermondsey)—(997)—</i>								
	Coxwell, J. E.—							
940	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	10	-	-			
<i>Re Harding and Rogers (Upper-street, Islington)—(998)—</i>								
	Bank of England—							
941	Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in No. 317, Upper-street	...	1,700	-	-			
	Carried forward	...	£4,621	15	4	3,118	12	9

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	4,621	15	4	3,118	12	9
Coldwell, W. G.—								
942	Surveyor's Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	23	2	—			
<i>Re</i> Byrd (Upper-street, Islington)—(999)—								
Evans, J.—								
943	Costs of Title and assignment...	...	7	—	—			
<i>Re</i> Wilcox (Bermondsey)—(1000)—								
Wilcox, Mrs. Charlotte—								
944	Purchase-money and compensation for yearly tenancy in Nos. 44 and 45, Star-corner, and No. 2, Abbey-street	... ..	225	—	—			
Fuller, Baxter and Co.—								
945	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	8	17	—			
<i>Re</i> Merceron's Trustees (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1001)—								
Phillips, J. and J.—								
946	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	... ..	10	10	—			
<i>Re</i> Thompson (Upper-street, Islington)—								
Assistance on Trade claim—								
947	House, J. R.—(1002)	... ..	50	—	—			
948	Johnson, J.—(1003)...	... ..	12	—	—			
949	Funge, J.—(1004)	... ..	12	12	—			
950	Offin, W.—(1005)	... ..	3	3	—			
951	Hardy, J.—(1006)	... ..	3	3	—			
Newbon, R. A.—(1007)—								
952	Use of No. 128, Upper-street, Islington, September to November, 1885	... ..	10	10	—			
<i>Re</i> Mead (Upper-street, Islington)—(1008)—								
Dwarber, J. C.—								
953	Assistance on Trade claim	... ..	6	6	—			
<i>Re</i> Jones (Upper-street, Islington)—								
Assistance on Trade claim—								
954	Orridge and Co.—(1009)—	... ..	10	10	—			
955	Taylor, A. A.—(1010)—	... ..	6	6	—			
<i>Re</i> Hurlock (Walworth-road)—(1065)—								
Trollope and Winckworth—								
956	Umpire's Fee and Costs of Award	... ..	93	4	6			
						5,103	18	10
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re</i> Haward—(1011)—								
Martineau and Reid—								
327	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, and of obtaining payment of money out of Court, &c.	...	74	8	10			
<i>Re</i> Brittain—(1012)—								
Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in No. 3, Bradley's-buildings--								
328	Richardson, C.	... ..	£245	—	—			
329	Brittain, Miss M. E.	... ..	152	10	—			
330	Brittain, Miss F. C.	... ..	152	10	—			
						550	—	—
Carried forward	..	...	£624	8	10	8,222	11	7

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	624	8	10	8,222	11	7
Baines, C., and Ball—								
331	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	14	14	-			
Bell, Stewards and May—								
332	Steward's Fee for enrolling Conveyance	...	7	10	-			
<i>Re King—(1013)—</i>								
Squire, E. B. and H.—								
333	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	18	15	-			
<i>Re Haward—(1014)—</i>								
Haward, Mrs. S.—								
334	Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in No. 51, High-street, and cottages in Holly-bush-vale- yard	... ..	2,550	-	-			
Baines, C., and Ball—								
335	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	27	6	-			
Phillips, J. and J.—								
336	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	...	12	15	-			
Bell, Stewards and May—								
337	Steward's Fee for enrolling Conveyance	...	7	10	-			
<i>Re Culverhouse—(1015)—</i>								
Lovell, Son and Pitfield—								
338	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	30	11	4			
<i>Re Gotto—(1016)—</i>								
Gotto, H. J.—								
339	Purchase-money for yearly tenancy in No. 1, Church-row	... ..	40	-	-	3,333	10	2
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>								
<i>Re Blackmore—(1017)—</i>								
Kearsey, Hawes and Walsh—								
10	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...				9	13	-
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Nock (Well-street, Poplar)—(1018 and 1019)—</i>								
Gellatly, Son and Warton—								
5752	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	14	18	-			
5753	Proportion of Rent of No. 6, Essex-place, from 29th February, 1884, to 22nd March, 1886 (less Tax)	... ..	4	3	9			
<i>Re Hampsheir (Tench-street)—(1020)—</i>								
Starling and Giblett—								
5754	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	25	-	-			
<i>Re Robinson (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1021)—</i>								
Bristow, W.—								
5755	Three-quarter's Rent of No. 11, Lower East- street, from Midsummer, 1885, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	... ..	10	17	6			
	Carried forward	...	£54	19	3	11,565	14	9

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	54	19	2	11,565	14	9
<i>Re Wells (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(1022)—</i>								
	Wells, Hy. Junr.—							
5756	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 20, New-							
	street, and for interest in land adjoining	...	200	-	-			
	Hards, F.—							
5757	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	7	7	-			
						262	6	3
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Gosden and others (Charing-cross)—(1023)—</i>								
	Hodgson, C. H.—							
1565	Proportion of Rent of premises in Crown-place,							
	to 19th March, 1886 (less Tax)	...	25	5	4			
<i>Re Ford (Southwark-bridge-road)—(1024)—</i>								
	Ford, Alfd. Jno.—							
1566	Balance of Rent in respect of No. 9, Duke-street,							
	to 17th August, 1885	...	5	3	6			
						30	8	10
						£11,858	9	10

Your Committee have also drawn Cheques, as follows, in lieu of Cheques cancelled in consequence of having been in hand longer than Three months—

Hampstead Improvements.

<i>Re Poole—(1877-1885) —</i>								
340	Poole, F.—Compensation	...				20	-	-
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Lea (Windmill-row)—(3038-1885)---</i>								
5758	Lea, Frederick—Purchase-money	...				65	-	-
						£85	-	-

Your Committee submit, for the information of the Board, marked Catalogues and Accounts of sales by Messrs. Horne, Son and Eversfield, during November, 1885, and January and February, 1886, of building materials of houses in Southwark-bridge-road, Queen-street, Mint-street, &c. ; Verulam-place, Queen's-head-court, &c., Gray's-inn-road ; Kentish-town-road and Great College-street ; King-street, Greek-street, and Little Earl-street, &c., Soho ; and Jamaica-road, &c., Rotherhithe—

Proceeds of Sales	...	...	£820	7	-
Commission, £7 10s. per cent.	...	...	61	10	-
Amount received by Board, March, 1886	...		£758	17	-

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Rotherhithe, referred by the Board on the 12th ultimo (No. 5), enclosing a copy of a Plan of certain property in Rotherhithe-street, by the acquisition of a portion of which land by this Board the Vestry consider that a great public Improvement could be effected, and they enquire whether the Board will entertain the matter as a public Improvement. Your Committee have taken an opportunity of viewing the land referred to, and they recommend—

That the Vestry be informed that, in the event of their proposing it as a Local Improvement, and applying for a contribution to the cost, the Board will duly consider such an application.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from the Fulham District Board, referred to them on the 5th ultimo (No. 51), transmitting a copy of a communication from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, offering to the District Board the triangular piece of land on the West side of Brook-green, for the purpose of being laid out and maintained as a recreation ground, and dedicated to the free use of the public for ever, to which the Homage Jury of the Manor of Fulham had given their assent; and asking this Board to accept the gift of land upon the terms and conditions referred to in the Letter. Your Committee have also had before them the Letter from the Vestry of Hammersmith, referred on the 2nd instant (No. 5), urging the Board to accept the proposal upon the terms and conditions contained in the communication from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. The conditions referred to, are that there shall be proper stipulations as to enclosing, maintaining, and regulating, and for preserving the land for the use of the public for ever. Your Committee having carefully considered the matter, are of opinion that the offer is one which should be accepted by the Board, and they recommend—

That the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and the Vestry of Hammersmith be informed that the Board are willing to accept the offer, and to include a provision in their Various Powers Bill of the Session of 1887, for enabling them to do so.

Your Committee, under the reference by the Board of the 31st July last (No. 8), are investigating the question of Thames Crossings, and amongst the suggestions which have been brought under their notice is one for the construction of an opening Bridge between Old Gravel-lane and Union-road, Rotherhithe. To enable your Committee to obtain full information relative to that proposal some further expenditure is necessary beyond the amount of £500, which was authorised by the Board on the above date, they recommend—

That they be authorised to expend a sum not exceeding £250 for the purpose stated.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the Fulham District Board, referred on the 19th ultimo (No. 46), urging upon this Board the necessity for carrying the new and improved line of frontage of the King-street, Hammersmith Improvement, up to and abutting upon the District Board's Offices, as it will, in the opinion of the District Board, shortly be necessary to widen Brook-green-road by making an Improvement on the East side; and asking that the Vestry of Hammersmith may have the option of the purchase of the whole of the surplus land that will remain between the Broadway House and the Hammersmith-road, so as to provide a site for the extension of the present Offices. Your Committee have also had before them the Letter from the Vestry of Hammersmith to a similar effect, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 4). It has been decided by your Committee, in carrying out the Hammersmith Improvement, not to acquire the property to which the Letters refer, and having again considered the matter they see no reason to depart from that view, and they recommend—

That the Vestry of Hammersmith be informed that it is not the intention of the Board to widen Brook-green-road, or to take the property to which the Vestry refer.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Bethnal-green, referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 5), applying for a contribution towards the cost, £1,650, of a suggested Improvement at the Western end of Green-street, by setting back the wall and rails of St. John's Churchyard, and the fence of the Vicarage garden. Your Superintending Architect reports that Green-street, at the corner of Cambridge-road, is 52 feet 3 inches wide, that the width will be increased to 61 feet 3 inches, and that about 3,590 superficial feet of land will be added to the public way. He further states that the value of the ground surrendered is more than equivalent to the estimated cost of the Improvement, which will be an extension of that now being carried out by the Board by the widening of Green-street. The land, it will be observed, is given up without cost, and the expense towards which the Board are asked to contribute is in respect of works only. The Board have, on previous occasions

contributed under similar circumstances, and your Committee, believing that the Improvement will be a beneficial one, recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £825, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

In compliance with the reference by the Board of the 5th March last (No. 54), your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Islington, stating that they had completed the Improvement in Hornsey-row, Upper-street, and had paid to the Vendors (including Surveyor and Solicitor's costs) £1,086 19s., which was less than the amount originally estimated for the purchase of the land alone, and had also expended about £200 in paving the footpath and cubing the road in front of the property, and expressing a hope that the Board would see fit to contribute £550, being the maximum which they agreed to contribute thereto. Your Committee have conferred with your Officers, and find that the actual cost of the land has amounted to £1,051, and under these circumstances it appears to them that the proper course will be, as in similar cases, to reduce the contribution to one moiety of that sum. They recommend in accordance with that view, and that the Vestry be informed that the Board are unable to comply with their request.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
GEO. EDWARDS,
W^m. SHEPHERD,
GEO. HILL.

The marked Catalogues and Accounts of sales of building materials of houses in Southwark-bridge-road, Queen-street, Mint-street, &c.; Verulam-place, Queen's Head-court, &c., Gray's-inn-road; Kentish-town-road and Great College-street; King-street, Greek-street, Little Earl-street, &c., Soho; and Jamaica-road, &c., Rotherhithe, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of Rotherhithe be informed, in reply to their enquiry whether the Board would entertain, as a public Improvement, the purchase of certain land for the purpose of widening Rotherhithe-street, that in the event of the Vestry proposing the work as a Local Improvement, and applying for a contribution, the Board will duly consider such an application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and the Vestry of Hammersmith be informed with reference to the proposal that the piece of land at the West end of Brook-green should be given, on certain terms and conditions, to this Board, that the Board are willing to accept the land referred to, and to include a provision for that purpose in their Various Powers Bill of the Session of 1887.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Committee be authorised to expend a sum, not exceeding £250, to enable them to obtain information relative to a suggested opening Bridge across the Thames between Old Gravel-lane and Union-road, Rotherhithe.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of Hammersmith be informed, in reply to their Letter asking that they might have the option of

purchasing the whole of the surplus land between their premises and the Hammersmith-road when the Board's Improvement is completed, that it is not the intention of the Board to widen Brook-green-road or to take the property to which the Vestry refer.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That this Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£1,650) of an Improvement proposed to be effected by the Vestry of Bethnal-green at the Western end of Green-street, by setting back the wall and rails of St. John's Churchyard and the fence of the Vicarage-garden, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £825, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the maximum amount, namely £550, which the Board conditionally agreed to contribute towards the cost of the Improvement by the Vestry of Islington in Hornsey-row, Upper-street, be reduced to £525 10s., in consideration of an abatement in the purchase-money, and that the Vestry be informed that the Board are unable to comply with their request for a contribution of £550, the amount originally named.

4. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 30th March, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the Letter from the St. Giles District Board, referring to the name given to the new street from Piccadilly to Bloomsbury, and asking if it is the intention of the Board to issue an Order for the re-naming and re-numbering of the houses on the North-West side, hitherto known as Dudley-street, referred by the Board on the 26th instant (No. 4). Your Committee are advised by your Superintending Architect that it is impracticable to take any action in the matter at the present time, inasmuch as there are vacant spaces on the North-West side of the street as to which no decision has yet been arrived at by the Board. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the St. Giles District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter, that the Board are not prepared to take any action in the matter at the present time.

Your Committee have also to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.
12th January, 1885.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Parish.
15th September, 1885.	Vestry of Kensington, that the houses in St. Mark's-road, North Kensington, may be re-numbered.
24th July, 1885.	Wandsworth District Board, that the houses in Orbel-street, Battersea, may be re-numbered.
15th October, 1885.	Wandsworth District Board, that the houses in Culvert-road, Battersea, may be re-numbered.
11th December, 1885.	Wandsworth District Board, that the houses in Edna-street and Henning-street, Battersea, may be re-numbered.
27th February, 1886.	Mr. E. Miller, that one of the thoroughfares in Peckham bearing the name Edward-street may be re-named.
No date.	Owners of houses in Ware-street, Louisa-street, Nancy-street, and Watson's-place, Kingsland-road, asking that the names of the several streets may be changed.

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the houses in Cornbury-road, Rotherhithe-new-road, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Brunswick-street, Homerton, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Retreat-place, Homerton, be re-numbered.

That Lomond-street, St. Pancras, be incorporated with Wrotham-road, and the houses re-numbered.

That Little Brook-street, St. Pancras, be incorporated with Longford-street, and the houses re-numbered.

That certain houses at the Western end of Mansfield-road, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in St. Mark's-road, North Kensington, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Orbel-street, Battersea, be re-numbered where necessary.

That the houses in Culvert-road, Battersea, be re-numbered where necessary.

That the houses in Edna-street, Battersea, be re-numbered where necessary.

That the houses in Henning-street, Battersea, be re-numbered where necessary.

That Edward-street, St. George's-road, Peckham, be re-named "Eastdene-street S.E."

That no alteration be made in the names of Ware-street, Louisa-street, Nancy-street, and Watson's-place, Kingsland-road, and that the Petitioners on the subject be so informed.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
WM. SHEPHERD.

The Report having been read and received,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the St. Giles District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter, referring to the name given to the new street from Piccadilly to Bloomsbury, and asking if it is the intention of the Board to issue an Order for the re-naming and re-numbering of the houses on the North-West side, hitherto known as Dudley-street, that the Board are not prepared to take any action in the matter at the present time.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

~~Resolve~~, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and ~~ordered~~, on the ~~motion~~ of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises on the Southern side of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Cornbury-road, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Surrey, be marked with even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 78, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,672, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the existing numbers on the Southern side be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Cornbury-road, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Brunswick-street, Homerton, in the Parish of St. John, Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,673, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 55, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 58, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Brunswick-street, E.” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Retreat-place, in the Parish of St. John, Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,674, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 48, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Retreat-villas, Retreat-cottages, Durham-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Retreat-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Retreat-place, E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Lomond-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with odd numbers, commencing with 41 and ending with 45, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,675, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the name Lomond-street, and the existing numbers therein, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Wrotham-road, N.W.,” in continuation of the existing road of that name; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Little Brook-street and Longford-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked

with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,676, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 61, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 50, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the name Little Brook-street and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Longford-street, N.W.;" and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, certain houses and premises on the Southern side of the line of thoroughfare, known by the name of Mansfield-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with odd numbers, commencing with 119 and ending with 135, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,677, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several irregularly numbered houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of St. Mark's-road, in the Parish of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,678, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 55 and ending with 131, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers commencing with 24 and ending with 68, to those on the Eastern side; that the names Cambridge-villas, Oxford-houses, and any other name or names now in use in St. Mark's-road, and the existing irregular numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "St. Mark's-road, W.;" and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Orbel-street, in the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,679, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 31, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 96, to those on the Northern and Western sides, that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Greenhead-villas, Kelso-villas, Hartfield-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Orbel-street, and

the existing irregular numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Orbel-street, S.W.;" and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several irregularly numbered houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Culvert-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced marked 3,680, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 65 and ending with 133, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 114 and ending with 146, to those on the Western side; that the names Albert-terrace, St. George's-terrace, Alpha-terrace, Railway-cottages, Cleveland-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Culvert-road, and the existing irregular numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Culvert-road, S.W.;" and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Edna-street, in the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,681, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 33, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 36, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the names Hawkesbury-villas, Edna-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Edna Street, and the existing irregular numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Edna-street, S.W.;" and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Henning-street, in the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,682, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 31, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 32, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished; that

the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Henning-street, S.W."; and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 30th day of March, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Edward-street, St. George's-road, in the Parish of Camberwell, in the County of Surrey, be re-named "Eastdene-street, S.E.;" and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Camberwell, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That no alteration be made in the names of Ware-street, Louisa-street, Nancy-street, and Watson's-place, Kingsland-road, and that the Petitioners on the subject be so informed.

5. Mr. Ingoldby, in the absence of Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 6th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mrs. Rebecca Skuse, for renewal of registration under the Infant Life Protection Act. The conditions under which the Infants in charge of the applicant are kept continue satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That the application of Mrs. Rebecca Skuse, for renewal of registration under the Infant Life Protection Act for the keeping of Infants at No. 140, Kensal-road, Paddington, be **granted**, and that the Board do make a Bye-law fixing two as the number of Infants allowed to be **kept**.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mrs. Caroline Jacob, for registration for the keeping of Infants at No. 79, Cornwallis-road, Upper Holloway. The necessary Certificate of character has been submitted by the applicant, and the accommodation provided is sufficient for the number of Infants proposed to be kept. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the application of Mrs. Caroline Jacob, for registration under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 79, Cornwallis-road, Upper Holloway, be **granted**, and that the Board do make a Bye-law fixing two as the number of Infants allowed to be kept.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration three applications for renewal of Petroleum Licenses. The arrangements for storage continue satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That Licenses be granted to the following persons for a period of 12 months from the 9th instant for the keeping of Petroleum at the places, and in the quantities named in accordance with the terms of the draft Licenses submitted—

Mr. Joseph Green, at Rodney-street, Woolwich, 250 gallons.

Messrs. Carless, Capel and Leonard, at White Post-lane, Hackney-wick, 52,000 gallons.

Messrs. S. Bowley and Son, No. 1, Wellington-road, Battersea, 23,500 gallons.

Your Committee also submit a list of 58 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and recommend—

That in 52 cases Licenses be granted to keep a quantity not exceeding 10 gallons of Petroleum in each case at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91; that in 4 cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in a store situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90; and that in 2 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in the manner described in such Licenses.

Your Committee have also to report that proceedings have been taken against Messrs. W. Jones and Company for the unlicensed keeping of Petroleum at premises in Marshall-street, Golden-square, and that they were fined 40s. and 2s. costs.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

ALFRED POCOCK,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
F. M. WENBORN,
FRED^K. INGOLDBY,
GEORGE PHILLIPS.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Ingoldby, seconded, and resolved—That the registration of Mrs. Rebecca Skuse, under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 140, Kensal-road, Paddington, be renewed, and that the Board do hereby make a Bye-law fixing two as the number of Infants to be kept at such premises.

It was moved by Mr. Ingoldby, seconded, and resolved—That Mrs. Caroline Jacob be registered, under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 79, Cornwallis-road, Upper Holloway, and that the Board do hereby make a Bye-law fixing two as the number of Infants to be kept at such premises.

It was moved by Mr. Ingoldby, seconded, and resolved—That Licenses be granted to the following persons for a period of twelve months from this date, for the keeping of Petroleum at the places, and in the quantities named in accordance with the terms of the draft Licenses submitted—

Mr. Joseph Green, at Rodney-street, Woolwich, 250 gallons.

Messrs. Carless, Capel and Leonard, at White Post-lane, Hackney-wick, 52,000 gallons.

Messrs. S. Bowley and Son, No. 1, Wellington-road, Battersea, 23,500 gallons.

It was moved by Mr. Ingoldby, seconded, and resolved—That Licenses be granted to the Fifty-eight persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Ingoldby, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

6. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 7th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that the Agreement with Mr. Henry Farmer, of No. 280, Seven Sisters'-road, for the renting of the grazing in Finsbury-park, expired on the 25th ultimo. Your Committee have ascertained that Mr. Farmer is willing to rent the grazing for another year, and, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, they consider that the Board may let it to him for that period on the same terms, viz., £10, on his signing an Agreement similar to that in force last year, and they recommend accordingly.

The Board having, by their Resolution of the 26th February last, decided as to the number of labourers, &c., who may be employed in connection with the Parks, Gardens,

and Open Spaces, your Committee have now to report that some temporary additional labour for various purposes, and also some horse hire, is required; and they beg to recommend—

That the Board do sanction the following—

Western Commons, 4 labourers for 4 weeks, to prepare for and sow grass seed.

Hampstead-heath, 2 labourers for 2 weeks, to lop trees.

Blackheath, 2 labourers for 2 weeks, to spread soil on surface of Heath.

Clapham-common, 1 horse and cart for 4 days, to remove sand from Long Pond.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 19th March last (No. 10), your Committee have considered whether the proposed scheme of Mr. Bentley, for the laying out of new roads on an estate belonging to Mr. E. Robinson, near Highbury-fields will in any way affect those Open Spaces. Your Committee have had before them a Report on the subject from your Superintending Architect, which they think clearly explains the subject, and they recommend—

That the Report, which they submit herewith, be referred to the Building Act Committee in connection with the above-mentioned subject, a reference of which has already been made to them.

Your Committee have had their attention called to the dangerous condition of the trees on Judges'-walk, Hampstead-heath. The trees form a very prominent object on the Heath, and the lopping of them will no doubt call forth considerable remark from the frequenters of the Heath. Your Committee however are of opinion that for the public safety it is desirable that steps should be taken with regard to them as speedily as possible, and they therefore recommend—

That the trees be lopped in such a manner as to render them safe.

Your Committee have had under consideration the application made to the Board, on the 2nd instant, by Mr. E. Christian and Mr. Woodd, for permission to erect a drinking fountain on Hampstead-heath, on a site near the Priors, which is shown by a Red cross on a Plan which your Committee submit herewith. The fountain which it is proposed to place on the Heath, was erected about 25 years ago, by Mr. Christian, and Mr. Woodd's father on Haverstock-hill, and has since been maintained there by the Vestry of Hampstead. Owing to the erection of a large drinking trough and fountain in the thoroughfare named, the smaller fountain is no longer needed and Mr. Christian and Mr. Woodd are desirous of transferring it to Hampstead-heath, where no doubt it would be a great convenience to the public. Your Committee consider that there is no objection to the proposal, and they therefore recommend—

That the request be granted conditionally upon the work of re-erection, &c., being carried out at the cost of the applicants, and that they do obtain an undertaking from the Vestry of Hampstead to supply water and to maintain the fountain in repair for the future.

Your Committee have to report that repairs, re-tarring, and re-painting, &c., are required to the boat-house, bathing-shed and screen, and flag-staff, and also to 3 seats on Hampstead-heath. As all those works are necessary, your Committee recommend—

That they be executed at an estimated cost of £18.

Under the authority conferred on them by the Board on the 13th June, 1873 (No. 13), your Committee have authorised the purchase of grass seed for use in the Embankment Gardens, and on the group of Commons known as the Western Commons; clout nails to be obtained for Finsbury-park, and lawn mowers therein and at the Victoria Embankment Gardens to be repaired. They have also authorised the purchase of a pair of water boots for the man who cleans the fountain in Leicester-square-garden, and that articles be obtained in connection with the cricket-ground, &c., on Streatham-common; that repairs be done to the fencing on Clapham-common, and to a wall between Hampstead-heath and the Upper-terrace, Judges'-walk; and also a short length of fencing erected at Shepherd's-bush-common; and that a stand-post be removed

at Tooting-common and a few seeds purchased for use at the Western Pumping Station.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. E. BRADFIELD,
GEO. EDWARDS,
WM. SHEPHERD,
GEORGE HILL.

The Report by the Superintending Architect, and the Plan, submitted by the Committee, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the grazing in Finsbury-park be let to Mr. Henry Farmer, of No. 280, Seven Sisters'-road, for another year, from the 25th March, 1886, for the sum of £10, on his signing an Agreement similar in terms to that in force last year, and that the Solicitor do prepare the Agreement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following extra labour and horse-hire be sanctioned in connection with the undermentioned places—

Western Commons—4 labourers for 4 weeks, to prepare for and sow grass seed.

Hampstead-heath—2 labourers for 2 weeks, to lop trees.

Blackheath—2 labourers for 2 weeks, to spread soil on the surface of the Heath.

Clapham-common—1 horse and cart for 4 days to remove sand from the Long Pond.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Superintending Architect's Report, now submitted, on the application of Mr. C. Bentley, on behalf of Mr. E. Robinson, for consent to the formation of new roads near Highbury-fields, be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the trees on Judges'-walk, Hampstead-heath, be lopped.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. E. Christian and Mr. Woodd, for permission to erect a Drinking Fountain on Hampstead-heath, on the site marked by a Red cross on the Plan now submitted, be granted, on condition that the work be done at the cost of Messrs. Christian and Woodd, and that they do obtain the undertaking of the Vestry of Hampstead to supply water to such Fountain, and to maintain the Fountain in repair for the future.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the boat-house, bathing shed and screen, flagstaff, and three seats on Hampstead-heath, be repaired and re-painted, at a total estimated cost of £18.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in their Report, be approved.

7. Mr. Shepherd, the Chairman of the Bridges Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BRIDGES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 7th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have had before them applications from several firms who have applied for copies of the Plan and Specifications of the works of the new Bridge at Battersea, asking that the time might be extended for the Board to receive Tenders, as they find it impossible to have the quantities completed, and the Tenders prepared by the 16th instant, the date which the Board have fixed for opening

them. Your Committee have consulted your Engineer upon the matter, and they consider that the Board might comply with the request, and extend the time for opening the Tenders until their first meeting after the Easter Recess, viz., the 7th May next, which will allow those persons who are desirous of sending in Tenders sufficient time to prepare them. Your Committee, therefore, beg to recommend—

That the time fixed by the Board for receiving Tenders for the construction of the new Bridge at Battersea, be extended from the 16th April until the 7th May next, and that Advertisements to that effect be inserted in the newspapers.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) WM. SHEPHERD,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and resolved—That the time fixed by the Board for receiving Tenders for the construction of the new Bridge at Battersea be extended from the 16th April until the 7th May next, and that an Advertisement to that effect be issued.

8. It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the consideration of the Report of the Parliamentary Committee, relative to the Board's Petition against the Horse Guard's-avenue Bill, be further adjourned *sine die*.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th April, 1886, on an the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Materials.	
NEWINGTON.				
Tiverton-street, Wellington-street, Peacock-street, Hurlbatt-place, Content-street, Royal-road and Arthur-street 	2,360 650	15-inch 12 "	pipe " "	} Recommended as applied for.
POPLAR.				
Brickfield-road, Bromley ... |	300	2' 0" diam.	1 brick	| Recommended as applied for.
BERMONDSEY.				
Rothsay-street ... ... |	280	12-inch	pipe	| Recommended as applied for.
PLUMSTEAD.				
Merchland-road East, and Merch- land-road West, Eltham ... }	1,120 780	12-inch 21 "	pipe " "	} Recommended as applied for.
Griffin-road, Lower Orchard-road, Upper Orchard-road, Glyndon- road and Conway-road ... }	1,630 650 250	18 " 15 " 12 "	" " " " " "	
GREENWICH.				
Trundley's - lane, Gareboro - road and Rolt-street }	1,080 100 960	18-inch 15 " 12 "	pipe " " " "	} Recommended as applied for.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said District Boards and Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th April, 1886, on an application from

the Vestry of Chelsea, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfare for the period and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1886. 3rd April.	Pont-street, in sections	paving	7 weeks	7 weeks	The routes shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the Vestry of Chelsea, for the purpose of executing work therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th April, 1886, stating that, for the purpose of executing the works in connection with the Holloway and Northern High Level Sewers Relief Lines, it was necessary for the Board, and their Contractor, to temporarily enter upon and occupy the premises shown upon the Plan, and described in the Schedule accompanying his Report, and recommending the Board to pass an Order for that purpose.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon; and it was thereupon ordered, as follows—

Whereas, for the purpose of constructing and executing a certain Sewer and works, ordered and about to be carried out by this Board, in exercise of the powers vested in them by the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, it is necessary that the undermentioned Officers and Contractor of the Board, with their assistants, servants, and workmen, should enter upon and otherwise lawfully interfere with the land and premises shown upon the Plan and described in the Schedule now presented to the Board; it is resolved and ordered—That, for the purpose of constructing and executing the said Sewer and works, Sir Joseph William Bazalgette, C.B., Engineer of this Board; Thomas Lovick, an Assistant Engineer of this Board; William Rigby, Contractor of this Board, and their assistants, servants, and workmen, and each and every of them be empowered and required to enter upon and do all necessary and lawful acts in and upon the said land and premises, for the execution of the said works, or any of them, on notice to be given to the occupier of the said land and premises, Three days at least before such entry.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th April, 1886, on Letter from Mr. J. H. Linscott, applying for payment of £8 2s. 6d., as compensation for alleged damage done to his oven and goods in the execution of the Board's works in Shaftesbury-avenue; stating the facts, and recommending that Mr. Linscott should be informed in accordance therewith, and that the Board on their part declined to admit any liability for the claim.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Mr. Linscott be informed accordingly.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. J. D. Allcroft, on behalf of the Governors of Christ's Hospital, applying for permission to connect the surface drainage of their road at West Ham, with the Sewer draining the workmen's cottages at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station; stating that on the 12th ultimo, the Board had under consideration a similar application from the Governors' tenant, Mr. Knight, who, it appeared, maintained the road referred to, and that he (the Engineer) then reported that the drain from the Board's cottages ran into the Low Level Sewer at the filth hoist, that the discharge had to be pumped up into the Outfall Sewer, and that if the surface drainage from Mr. Hunt's premises were admitted into the drain belonging to the Board, it would increase the quantity to be pumped up, and

further, that the locality was beyond the Metropolitan area, and that the Board had thereupon declined to grant the application, and recommending that the present one should also be refused.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the application be not granted.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th April, 1886, stating that Mr. J. McDougall, was absent from his duties in consequence of illness, and recommending that leave of absence be granted to him for a fortnight, and submitting a medical certificate.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a fortnight's leave of absence be granted to Mr. McDougall, and that the Engineer do report further at the expiration of that period, if necessary.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th April, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal and Rope were required for use at the Crossness Pumping Station—

	ESTIMATE.
70 Tons of New Pelton Gas Coal	£55 14 2
700 feet run of Manilla Rope (6 inches circumference) ...	27 10 0
Total	<u>£83 4 2</u>

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal and Rope be obtained, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

16. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill was still awaiting appointment to a Select Committee of the House of Commons, and that it was not likely to be appointed until after the Easter recess.

17. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been adjourned until the 13th instant; and that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill had been appointed for the 13th instant.

18. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill, introduced by Mr. Dixon-Hartland, had been adjourned until the 13th instant.

19. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to consider the Employers Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill (Mr. Arthur O'Connor), and the Employers Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill (No. 2) (Mr. Burt), had met on Friday and Tuesday last, and would meet again this day.

20. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill (introduced by Mr. Kimber and Mr. Vanderbyl), which provided for the amendment of the law relating to the expenses of the Brigade, had been read a first time on the 7th instant; that the second reading had been appointed for the 14th instant, and that the following notice had been placed on the paper with respect to it—

“Sir James McGarel-Hogg.—On second reading of Metropolitan Fire
 “Brigade Expenses Bill, to move—That it be read a second time upon this day
 “six months (Thursday, 8th April).”

The Solicitor also laid before the Board a copy of the Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Fowler, and *resolved*—That a copy of the Bill be sent to each Member of the Board.

21. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill had met for the first time on the 6th instant to choose their Chairman, and had appointed Mr. Leatham; and that they would meet again on the 13th instant to consider the Bill.

22. The Solicitor reported with respect to the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment

(No. 1) Bill (Lord Rayleigh), the Electric Lighting Act (1882) (No. 2) Bill (Lord Ashford), and the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 3) Bill (Lord Houghton), that the following notice had been placed on the business paper of the House of Lords—

Lord Monson to move that the following Lords be named of the Select Committee—

Earl Cowper,	Lord Wigan,
Earl Camperdown,	Lord Methuen,
Lord Ashford,	Lord Houghton,
Lord Balfour, of Burley,	Lord Lingen.
Lord Rayleigh,	

and that Lord Wemyss had given notice to move that Lord Bramwell be added to the Committee.

23. The Solicitor reported that the Smoke Nuisance Abatement (Metropolis) Bill was still awaiting second reading in the House of Lords.

24. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Compulsory Purchase of Land Compensation Bill, and reported that no day had yet been fixed for the second reading.

25. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee on the River Lee had resumed their sitting on Friday and Tuesday last; that Major Flower, the Sanitary Engineer, and Mr. J. Child, the Engineer of the Lee Conservancy Board, had been examined as witnesses, and that the Committee were sitting again this day, and he presented a printed copy of the evidence taken on the two days.

26. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

27. The Solicitor reported that notice had been given by Mr. E. Denison, M.P., of a question relative to the opposition offered by the Thames Conservators to the construction of a Ferry between Greenwich and the Isle of Dogs, and that Mr. Ritchie, M.P., had also given notice of a question as to the construction, by the Board, of a Thames Subway at Shadwell.

28. The Solicitor reported that the North London Tramways Bill had been considered by the Standing Orders Committee of the House of Commons, on the 6th instant, when it had been decided that the Committee would not advise the House to dispense with the Orders, and that the Bill could not therefore be proceeded with this Session.

29. The Solicitor reported that the arrangements as to the undermentioned Loans had been completed, and that the Cheques for the amounts had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities—

				AMOUNT OF LOAN.
St. George, Hanover-square, Vestry ...	...	...	...	£16,000
St Luke's Vestry ...	...	...	...	1,700

30. The Solicitor reported that the Loan of £30,000 to the Vestry of Islington, had been duly completed on the 5th instant, and the Cheque handed over in exchange for the proper security, and that the Cheque had been endorsed back to the Board in payment of the Vestry's first contribution towards the cost of purchasing Highbury-fields, and subsequently handed to the Cashier of the Board.

31. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Seven Leases to Messrs. Ryall and Atkinson, of Plots Nos. 2 to 6, in Gray's-inn-road (Gray's-inn-road Improvement).

Deed Poll for vesting in the Board the freehold premises, No. 24, Gun-alley, St. George-in-the-East, claimed by Mrs. E. Trumble, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Tench-street Scheme).

Contract with Messrs. F. Braby and Co. (Limited), for the supply of an iron raft to carry a Steam Fire-engine.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

32. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the re-payment of the Loans of £13,700 and £6,200 to the Guardians of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount of the Loans, to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £19,900 be now drawn in favour of the Guardians of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

33. The Solicitor presented a Report on the result of the enquiries made relative to the responsibility of Mr. W. Stubbs in connection with his Tender for works in the line of the South Lambeth Improvement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Solicitor do prepare the necessary Contract.

34. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Norwood, an Assistant in the Superintending Architect's Department, had entered into recognizances in the sum of £50 for prosecuting an appeal from the decision of the Magistrates at the Highgate Petty Sessions with respect to a house and shop erected at the corner of Bisham-gardens and Highgate-hill, and that it was desirable that the Board should indemnify Mr. Norwood in respect of any liability under such recognizances.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do hereby indemnify Mr. Norwood with respect to any liability under the said recognizances.

35. The Solicitor reported that the purchase of the site in King-street, St. Pancras for a Fire Brigade Station, was ready for completion, and he suggested that the Board should draw Cheques for the purchase-money (£1,850) and interest (£40 2s. 10d.), in order that he might complete the arrangement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Cheques for £1,850 and £40 2s. 10d. be now drawn; and Cheques were drawn on the Fire Brigade Capital Account accordingly.

36. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 26th ultimo (No. 8), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Leverton-cottages, &c.	...	...	...	...	} St. Pancras.
Lewis-street, &c.	...	...	...	...	
Patshull-road	...	...	...	...	
Sussex-passage, &c.	...	...	...	...	

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

37. The Clerk presented a Letter from Sir R. Welby, Treasury, dated 2nd April, 1886, conveying the authority of the Lords Commissioners to the borrowing by the Board, for temporary periods not exceeding six months, during the present year, of such sums as may be needed, not exceeding in the whole the sum of £500,000.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved---That the said Letter be referred to the Accountant.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Blake, Principal Clerk to the City Commissioners of Sewers, dated 2nd April, 1886, stating that the Commissioners had been petitioned by certain ratepayers and warehousemen of Fore-street to provide a deeper Sewer in that thoroughfare, the present Sewer, which is under the control of the Board, not being sufficiently deep to drain the basements of new buildings now in course of erection, and asking the Board to substitute a deeper Sewer.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Garrett, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. D. Inglis, dated 29th March, 1886, stating, with reference to the question of the treatment of Sewage, that the discovery in the Isle of Skye of a large deposit of an infusorial earth called Diatomite might be of use in rendering the Sewage of great value for top dressing.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That Mr. Inglis be thanked for his communication.

40. The Clerk presented a Letter from the Metropolitan Gas Referees, dated 27th March, 1886, certifying that the Testing-place provided by the Gas Light and Coke Company, at No. 116, Lambeth-road, had been fitted up with proper apparatus and was ready for use.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee.

41. The Clerk presented Letters, as follows—

Letter from Messrs. Clavering, Son and Co., dated 5th April, 1886, enclosing particulars of their paddle steamer "Terrible," which they considered might be suitable for the purpose of a Ferry-boat, and enquiring whether the Board would be inclined to treat for the purchase of the vessel.

Letter from Messrs. MacNicol and Co., dated 7th April, 1886, stating that they had lately patented a Tidal Ferry-boat, and that, if the Board would send them the particulars and conditions with regard to the Ferry-boats required, they would send an estimate from builders at Glasgow and one from Thames builders.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That Messrs. Clavering and Co. and Messrs. MacNicol and Co. be referred to the terms of the Board's Advertisement with respect to the Ferry-boat desired.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Mills, Inspector of Gas meters, dated 3rd April, 1886, asking for some remuneration for extra and special service rendered by him in superintending the repairing, improving the ventilation, and re-fixing the gas lamps on the Victoria Embankment and Waterloo Bridge.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. Walker, Clerk to the Vestry of Shoreditch, dated 6th April, 1886, requesting the Board to approve of an Improvement which the Vestry proposed to effect in Nile-street, as shown on the Plan accompanying the Letter, at an estimated cost, including works, of £1,000, and asking the Board to contribute a moiety of the cost.

It was moved by Capt. Wenborn, seconded by Mr. Fowler, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. Parish, Clerk to the Erith Local Board,

dated 6th April, 1886, stating that the Local Board were glad to see that measures were to be adopted by this Board with regard to the discharge of Sewage, and that they considered that the works proposed should and could be carried out by the summer of 1887, and that they would be in the nature of a temporary remedy.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. J. Atkinson, Town Clerk of Liverpool, dated 6th April, 1886, transmitting a volume of the Council proceedings for 1884-85, including the various Accounts relating to the City.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said book be received with thanks.

46. The Clerk presented a printed copy which he had received of the first part of the proceedings at the Local inquiry with reference to the apportionment of the property, claims, and demands, and the debts and liabilities, of the Fulham District Board.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Public Baths and Wash-houses,

All Saints, Poplar. E.

7th April, 1886.

To the Chairman and Members of
The Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by the Commissioners of the Poplar Public Baths and Wash-houses, to apply to you for a Loan of £6,300 to be re-paid with interest by instalments extending over a term of twenty years, and which amount the Commissioners have authority to raise upon the security of the Poor Rates of this Parish, for the purpose of alterations and improvements at the Baths.

The Commissioners hope you may be able to accede to their request, at a rate of interest not exceeding £3 10s. per cent., and that arrangements may be made by which the money may be immediately advanced.

Your early reply will be esteemed.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed)

GEO. WOOLDRIDGE,

Clerk to the Commissioners.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Lawrence, Graham and Long, dated 5th April, 1886, asking, for the purpose of preparing evidence to be laid before the Select Committee of the House of Commons on Town Holdings, to be allowed to inspect and take extracts from the Books of Reference and Plans of some of the Board's improvement schemes and schemes for Artizans' Dwellings which had affected insanitary or dilapidated property.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Casey, dated 8th April, 1886, asking that before the Board arrive at any conclusion on the subject of the transport of the Sewage of the Metropolis to Mid-channel, the usual course might be adopted, and the designs for vessels to be constructed, which have been received in response to the Board's advertisement, may be thrown open to the public.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Jebb, Clerk to the Metropolitan Asylums Board, stating that, in consequence of the decision on appeal to the Assessment Sessions, the totals of the gross and ratable values of the Valuation List had been altered, as follows—

Parish (or Union).	Gross Value.	Ratable Value.
St. Mary Abbott's, Kensington Exemption from Sewers Rate— Metropolis Management Acts Amendment Act 1875—	£2,187,278	£1,833,599
Gross £959		
Ratable 906		

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee and to the Accountant.

51. The Clerk presented a Report by the Chief Gas Examiner, appointed by the Board of Trade, dated 7th April, 1886, of the results of the daily testings of the Gas supplied by the several Metropolitan Gas Companies during the months of January, February and March last.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Report be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

52. Read a Report by the Chemist, dated 9th April, 1886, as to the continued illness of Mr. E. Addenbrooke, Gas Examiner; submitting a Medical Certificate as to his state of health, and recommending that three months' leave of absence be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That three months' leave of absence be granted to Mr. Addenbrooke.

53. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 6th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.1	16.6	16.8	11.4	8.7	9.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	None
	Camden	16.9	15.7	16.4	13.4	8.8	11.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston	16.6	16.3	16.5	14.0	12.2	12.9	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow	17.5	16.6	17.0	11.1	8.8	10.0	1.5	0.6	0.9	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	16.1	15.8	16.0	13.4	12.0	12.8	0.5	0.3	0.4	"
	" (Nine-elms)	16.2	15.9	16.1	12.3	11.8	12.0	0.9	0.4	0.6	"
	Kingsland-road	16.9	16.7	16.8	12.2	8.7	10.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross	17.2	16.1	16.5	12.7	8.6	11.4	1.0	0.5	0.8	"
	St. John's-wood	17.1	16.4	16.8	13.1	11.7	12.4	0.4	0.1	0.3	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	Station closed for repairs									
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Peckham	16.7	16.4	16.6	13.2	9.9	11.3	0.1	0.0	0.2	"
	Tooley-street	16.6	16.4	16.5	14.6	11.0	12.0	0.4	0.2	0.2	"
	Clapham	16.7	16.4	16.6	14.5	12.2	12.9	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Lewisham	16.5	16.1	16.4	15.8	11.7	13.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Old Ford	17.6	16.9	17.2	8.0	7.4	7.7	0.3	0.2	0.3	"
	St. George-in-the- East	16.4	14.9	15.9	14.7	11.3	13.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in Lanier-road, Lewisham, on the 31st March, at 8 p.m., was 1.8 inches.

54. It was *moved* by Mr. Harben, seconded, and *resolved*—That the motion by Mr. Fowler, notice of which appears in the paper of business, be now considered.

It was then *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday, the 21st instant, in lieu of Friday, the 23rd instant;

that the Board at its rising on the 21st instant, do stand adjourned until Friday, the 7th May, and that no Committees be called (except in case of emergency) between the 21st instant and the 3rd May.

55. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. Thomas Blashill, District Surveyor for the District of West Hampstead, for the consent of the Board to the appointment by him of Mr. Alfred Bovill, District Surveyor, as his Deputy, from the 14th instant to the 12th of May next.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, and that this Board do consent to the appointment by Mr. Thomas Blashill, of Alfred Bovill, District Surveyor, as his Deputy, and for the performance of the duties of District Surveyor in the District of West Hampstead, from the 14th instant to the 12th of May next.

56. KENSINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Paul, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows, a porch and barge boards, to No. 11, Victoria-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-windows and porch therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, further enclosed, altered or raised without the consent of this Board; also, that the construction of the barge boards be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

57. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. J. A. J. Woodward, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of stabling on the North side of Fentiman-road, South Lambeth, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

58. ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd March, 1886, on the application of Messrs. R. Slaughter and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico in front of the Burlington Hotel, No. 20, Cork-street, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the portico therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, enclosed, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

59. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. F. Wallen, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a factory on the North side of Miller-street, Arlington-road, Camden-town, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings, without the consent of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

60. WESTMINSTER.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1886, on the application of Messrs. J. W. Hobbs and Co., for the consent of the Board to the erection of porches at Carlisle Mansions, in Carlisle-street, and also to houses in Morpeth-terrace, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the porches therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this

date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, enclosed, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 61. WHITECHAPEL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Taylor, on behalf of the East and West India Dock Company, for the consent of the Board to the construction and erection of an iron Foot-bridge across Lambeth-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 62. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Wiggs and Sons, on behalf of Mr. Sharp, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the Factory in Edward-Street, Deptford.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 63. PADDINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of Paddington, relative to the erection of a wooden structure in front of No. 172, Queen's-road, Bayswater, and requesting the Board to take steps to cause the removal of such structure.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 64. ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of the authorities of the Female Medical School, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron school-room, adjoining No. 30, Henrietta-street, Bloomsbury.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

- 65. WESTMINSTER.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Breeze, on behalf of the Manufacturers and Mill-owners' Mutual Aid Association, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected in Palmer-street.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 66. WHITECHAPEL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. J. Battram, on behalf of the Whitechapel District Board, relative to the covering in of the yard and the erection of a wooden structure at the rear of No. 5, Fieldgate-street.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 67. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Hards, on behalf of Mr. J. Holding, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of buildings at the Stowage, Deptford, in the position and to the line shown thereon.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

68. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1886, on the joint application of Messrs. Christopher and White and Mr. M. L. Saunders, on behalf of Sir H. P. T. Barron, Bart., and Mr. Ruck, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Woolwich Lower-road, and for the widening of that road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

69. LAMBETH.—Read a communication from Mr. Edwin Richard Hewitt, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of St. Saviour, St. George-the-Martyr (part), and Christchurch, Southwark, and the Northern Division of Lambeth, dated 3rd April, 1886, notifying that certain alterations at No. 60, York-road, were about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—~~That~~ *Whereas*, Mr. Edwin Richard Hewitt, District Surveyor for the District of St. Saviour, St. George-the-Martyr (part), and Christchurch, Southwark, and the Northern Division of Lambeth, did, on the 3rd day of April, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said Edwin Richard Hewitt, was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain alterations at No. 60, York-road, and the said Edwin Richard Hewitt has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is *ordered* by this Board—That Mr. John Alexander James Woodward, District Surveyor for the District of Central Lambeth and part of Battersea, be appointed by this Board, and the said John Alexander James Woodward is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

70. CITY OF LONDON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Blake, on behalf of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment by the Board of Fees to Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, District Surveyor for the District of the Northern Division of the City of London, in respect of services performed by him in surveying Dangerous Structures within that District.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That Fees, amounting to the sum of Four pounds, as specified in the Accounts numbered 1 to 3, now presented to this Board, be paid to Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, the District Surveyor mentioned in such Accounts in respect of services performed by him in surveying Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

71. HAMMERSMITH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Mason, on behalf of Mr. C. Cordingley, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed new public Hall, to be called the Lyric Hall, to be erected on the site of Nos. 8 and 10, Broadway, Hammersmith, as shown on the drawings accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

72. ST. MARYLEBONE.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. J. F. Upton, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the premises known as the Baker-street

Rooms (formerly Madame Tussaud and Sons' Exhibition), No. 58, Baker-street, as shown upon the drawings accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 73. METROPOLIS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, Licenses and Plans, in duplicate, in respect of a temporary iron Church, erected in Southfields, Merton-road, Wandsworth, and an iron Mission-room, in Evelyn-street, Deptford.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses and Plans, in duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

- 74. ISLINGTON.**—Read a communication from Mr. Frederic Hammond, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of North-West Islington, dated 8th April, 1886, notifying that Nos. 2 and 3, Market-terrace, Upper Holloway-road, were about to be altered under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—~~Whereas~~ *That* Mr. Frederic Hammond, District Surveyor for the District of North-West Islington, did, on the 8th day of April, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said Frederic Hammond, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the alteration of Nos. 2 and 3, Market-terrace, Upper Holloway-road, and the said Frederic Hammond has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is *ordered* by this Board—That Mr. George M'Donell, District Surveyor for the District of South-West Islington, be appointed by this Board, and the said George M'Donell is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

- 75. CITY OF LONDON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Whiddington, on behalf of Messrs. Freeman and Winthrop, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of an external boiler flue at the rear of No. 41, Cheapside.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 76. ST. MARYLEBONE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. T. Pilkington, on behalf of the Artizans, Labourers', and General Dwellings Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the erection of a block of Artizans' Dwellings on the South side of Broadley-street, Lisson-grove, exceeding the height prescribed by the 85th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

- 77. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. W. Brutton, on behalf of Messrs. Dangerfield, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the works in West-street, Battersea-park-road, Battersea.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with

the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

78. It was moved, seconded, and resolved—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **9th** day of **April**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

GEORGE HILL, Esq.	JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR-
ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	CLOUGH, Esq.
WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.	EDWIN LAWRENCE, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR- RETT, Esq.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.
JOHN JONES, Esq.	WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.
HON. ALAN DE TATTON EGERTON, M.P.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL- LIAMS, Esq.	JOHN LENANTON, Esq.
FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER, Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.
ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.
JOHN BONTHON, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN- HALL, Esq.
ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., ENG.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.
	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.
		HENRY HARBEN, Esq.
		ROBERT JONES, Esq.
		WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.
		CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring-gardens, 6th April, 1886.

We hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on Friday next, the 9th day of April, 1886, at One o'clock p.m., for the transaction of the following business, viz. —

TO CONSIDER NOTICE GIVEN—

By MR. CAMERON on the 26th March.

That he will move—

“That the Resolution of the Board of 26th^y February, 1886, consenting to a
“Provisional Order being made by the Board of Trade authorising the
“construction of the Tramways specified in the South Metropolitan
“Tramways Scheme be altered by substituting 45 feet for 47 feet, as the
“width to which the Promoters shall be required to widen the roads
“within the Metropolis in which the proposed Tramways are to be laid.”

(Signed) ANDREW CAMERON,
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY,
EDWIN HUGHES,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
W. J. WETENHALL.

2. It was moved by Mr. Cameron, and seconded by Mr. Wetenhall—That the Resolution of the Board of 26th February, 1886, consenting to a Provisional Order being made by the Board of Trade authorising the construction of the Tramways specified in the South Metropolitan Tramways Scheme be altered by substituting 45 feet for 47 feet, as the width to which the Promoters shall be required to widen the roads within the Metropolis in which the proposed Tramways are to be laid.

The motion having been put to the vote, there were for it 8, against it 17 ; and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **9th** day of **April**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, ESQ., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

GEORGE JAMES, ESQ.	WILLIAM URQUHART, ESQ.	ROBERT JONES, ESQ.
JOHN JONES, ESQ.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-	EDWIN LAWRENCE, ESQ.
HON. ALAN DE TATTON	LIAMS, ESQ.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD,
EGERTON, M.P.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR-	ESQ.
HENRY HARBEN, ESQ.	CLOUGH, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY,
WILLIAM DEBENHAM, ESQ.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	ESQ.
FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER,	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT,	SAMUEL PRICE, ESQ.
ESQ.	ESQ.	JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.
ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER,	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS,	GEORGE EDWARDS, ESQ.
ESQ.	ESQ., DEPUTY.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR-	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQ.,	HALL, ESQ.
RETT, ESQ.	F.R.C.S., Eng.	ANDREW CAMERON, ESQ.
GEORGE PHILLIPS, ESQ.	JOHN LENANTON, ESQ.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, ESQ.

The Clerk presented a Letter from the London School Board, dated 8th April, 1886, enquiring whether this Board would be prepared to sell them the plot of land in Collingwood-street, Ratcliff, for the purposes of their School building in that street.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 16th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 15.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **16th** day of **April**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, ESQ., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

GEORGE JAMES, ESQ.	ROBERT FREEMAN, ESQ.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, ESQ.
COLONEL MUNRO.	JOHN JONES, ESQ.	JOHN ABBOTT, ESQ.
JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.	GEORGE EDWARDS, ESQ.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER,
ALFRED EWIN, ESQ.	SAMUEL PRICE, ESQ.	ESQ.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL,	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH-	EDWIN LAWRENCE, ESQ.
ESQ.	ARDSON, ESQ.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR-	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT,	HALL, ESQ.
RETT, ESQ.	ESQ.	GEORGE BROWN, ESQ.
JOHN TOLHURST, ESQ.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN,	WILLIAM ROBSON, ESQ.
HENRY HARBEN, ESQ.	ESQ.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, ESQ.
CHARLES MOSSOP, ESQ.	JOHN REDDISH, ESQ.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-
WILLIAM DEBENHAM, ESQ.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD,	LIAMS, ESQ.
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQ.,	ESQ.	HON. ALAN DE TATTON EGER-
F.R.C.S., Eng.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.	TON, M.P.
GEORGE HILL, ESQ.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOW-	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS,
FREDERICK COX, ESQ.	LER, BART., ALDERMAN,	ESQ.
WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY,	M.P.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
ESQ.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	ESQ., DEPUTY.
FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER,	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, ESQ.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR-
ESQ.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN,	CLOUGH, ESQ.
JOHN BONTHRON, ESQ.	ESQ.	WILLIAM URQUHART, ESQ.
	BENJAMIN WEIR, ESQ.	

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board, held on the 9th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board, present at such Meetings respectively.
2. Mr. Harben handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead.

Vestry-hall, Hampstead, N.W.,

15th April, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—Adverting to your Letter of the 18th of July, 1883 (No. 2,774, B. 13.7), intimating that the Metropolitan Board of Works had considered the application of the Vestry made in my Letter of the 17th of May, 1883, for a contribution towards the cost of a new road which the Vestry proposed to form through the grounds of the Blind School, near the Swiss-cottage

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in Finchley-road and Belsize-park, and that the Board were willing to contribute one-half of the net cost of acquiring the land, estimated at £2,000. I am desired to state that, owing to certain difficulties in which the authorities of the Blind School became involved, the Vestry were unable to carry out the Scheme.

The opening up of the neighbourhood affected by the contemplated Improvement, which will afford a direct means of communication between the Eastern and Western portions of the Parish, has become a pressing necessity, and although, under the existing circumstances of the case, additional expense will be involved in effecting the Improvement, the Vestry deem it essential, for the interests of the Parish, that the Scheme now determined upon, after careful and prolonged consideration, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.

The accompanying Plan will show the nature of the intended Improvement.

I am desired to request the sanction of the Metropolitan Board of Works to the carrying out of the proposed Scheme, and also that they will contribute one-half the cost of acquiring the necessary land, estimated at £4,682.

It is important, having regard to the various interests involved, and to the undesirability of any further change of circumstances taking place which might be prejudicial to the Parish, in a financial point of view, that the Improvement should be effected as soon as possible, the Vestry therefore respectfully solicit the early consideration of the Metropolitan Board.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,

Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was moved by Mr. Harben, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. Mr. Brown handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Hammersmith.

Clerk's Department, Vestry-hall,
Broadway, Hammersmith, W.,
16th day of April, 1886.

RAVENS COURT-PARK ESTATE.

SIR,—On the other side I beg to hand you copy of a Resolution passed by this Vestry at their Meeting held on Wednesday last, and I am to ask you to be kind enough to say when the Metropolitan Board will receive the Deputation.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. P. COCKBURN,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

Copy Resolution.

RESOLVED—"That, inasmuch as the tenant for life has expressed willingness to sell
"the Estate known as 'Ravenscourt,' including the Mansion thereon, this Vestry
"is of opinion that such property should be acquired for the purpose of a public
"Park at a cost of not exceeding £50,000, and that, to avoid further delay, a
"Deputation be appointed to wait upon the Metropolitan Board of Works with
"the view of obtaining a contribution towards the purchase of the Estate in
"question."

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded, and resolved—That the said Deputation be received at the Meeting of the Board on 7th May next, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

4. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 12th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account.</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Freehold and Leasehold Investment Company</i> (Battersea)—(1131)— Hoare, W. S.—							
112	One quarter's rent of No. 40, Bridge-road, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	...		10	17 6
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>							
<i>Re Garland (Battersea)—(1087)—</i> Garland, Robt. Jno., and Garland, David—							
50	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 32, Bridge-road	...	£370	-	-		
51	Trade compensation	...	736	-	-		
				1,106	-	-	
<i>Re Goose (Battersea)—(1088)—</i> Cooke, W. C.—							
52	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	10	10	-	
<i>Re Breach (Putney)—(1089)—</i> Weatherall and Green—							
53	Fee for negotiating claim	...	...	6	6	-	
						1,122	16 -
<i>Woolwich Ferry (Act of 1885).</i>							
<i>Re Leach —(1090)—</i> Leach, Edwd. Evans—							
1	Purchase-money for Fee simple of Nos. 20 and 21, Nile-street	...	...	356	-	-	
2	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	...	11	11	-	
						367	11 -
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers.</i>							
<i>Re Baldwin and Hough (Limehouse)—(1091)—</i> Keene, Marsland and Bryden—							
1271	Taxed Costs of Arbitration	...	...			689	16 6
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>							
<i>Re Raphael (Charing-cross)—(1092)—</i> Raphael, R.—							
8752	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	4	8	-	
Compensation for loss of business and removal—							
Lodge, F. (Charing-cross)—(1093)—							
8753	No. 2, New Compton-street	...	...	100	-	-	
Smith, H. (Charing-cross)—(1094)—							
8754	No. 34, Castle-street	...	...	20	-	-	
Oxley,—(Charing-cross)—(1095)—							
8755	No. 9, Hemming's-row	...	...	15	-	-	
Armsworth, W. (Charing-cross)—(1096)—							
8756	No. 31, Castle-street	...	...	10	-	-	
Ford, A. J. (Southwark-bridge-road)—(1097)—							
8757	Nos. 9 and 10, Duke-street	...	...	20	-	-	
						169	8 -
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>							
<i>Re Watkin's Executors (Bermondsey)—(1098)—</i> Fairfoot, Webb and Rooke—							
959	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	14	10	-	
	Carried forward	...	...	£14	10	-	2,360 9 -

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	14	10	-	2,360	9	-
<i>Re</i> Crespin (Upper-street, Islington)—(1099)—								
	Crespin, Chas. Hy.—							
960	Compensation for yearly tenancy in premises in Waterloo-terrace	...	55	-	-			
	Newbon and Harding—							
961	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	4	4	-			
<i>Re</i> Wood (Upper-street, Islington)—(1100)—								
	Reyroux, Phillips and Golding—							
962	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	11	11	-			
<i>Re</i> Fiddes (Bermondsey)—(1101)—								
	Nash and Field—							
963	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c., and Costs of Mortgage	...	28	-	3			
<i>Re</i> Coley's Trustees (Upper-street, Islington)—(1102)—								
	Boulton, Sons and Sandeman—							
964	One-quarter's rent of No. 329, Upper-street to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	...	13	5	10			
<i>Re</i> Trustees of Islington Chapel (Upper-street)—(1103)—								
	Trollope and Winckworth—							
965	Umpire's Fee and Costs of Award	...	115	2	-			
Compensation for loss of business and removal (Upper-street, Islington)—								
	Hone, T. F.—(1104)—							
966	No. 308, Upper-street	...	100	-	-			
	Ford, H. W.—(1105)—							
967	No. 75, Cross-street	...	50	-	-			
	Kelly, Mrs. R.—(1106)—							
968	No. 305, Upper-street	...	50	-	-			
	Every, J.—(1107)—							
969	No. 279, Upper-street	...	30	-	-			
	Goddard, Mrs. E.—(1108)—							
970	No. 315, Upper-street	...	30	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Vernon (Bermondsey)—								
	Assistance on Trade claim—							
971	Vigo, D.—(1109)	...	10	10	-			
972	Brooker, T.—(1110)	...	3	3	-			
<i>Re</i> Bass (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—								
	Assistance on Trade claim—							
973	Funge, J.—(1111)	...	7	7	-			
974	Brooker, T.—(1112)	...	3	3	-			
						525 16 1		

Hampstead Improvements.

<i>Re</i> Hutchinson—(1113)—								
	Bannisters and King—							
342	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	£40	-	-				
	Lambert, Petch and Shakespear—							
343	Mortgagee's Costs of Title, &c.	...	11	6	2			
						51	6	2
Carried forward			...	...	£51	6	2	2,886 5 1

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	51	6	2	2,886	5	1
<i>Re Creed—(1114)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Copyhold messuage of No. 4, Bradley's-buildings--							
344	Creed, W. H. ...	£133	6	8				
345	Creed, H., the younger, per J. Lott	133	6	8				
346	Creed, Mrs. Helena Southey	133	6	8				
					400	-	-	
	Lott, J.—							
347	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	11	11	-			
<i>Re Martin—(1115)—</i>								
	Martin, E.—							
348	Balance of Compensation for loss of business and removal from No. 2, Little Church-row	...	15	-	-			
						477	17	2
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>							
<i>Re Broad and others (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(1116)—</i>								
	Nunn, J. B.—							
5760	Mortgagee's Costs as to Title, &c.	...	4	4	-			
<i>Re Trustees of Golden-lane National Schools (Whitecross-street)—(1117)—</i>								
	Bank of England—							
5761	Purchase-money for estate and interest in passage-way and approach to Schools	...	245	-	-			
	Markby, Stewart and Co.—							
5762	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	10	10	-			
<i>Re Williams (Tench-street)—(1118)—</i>								
	Tatham, Oblein and Co.—							
5763	Proportion of tenant's rent of No. 39, Green- bank, from 9th October, 1885, to 15th March, 1886 (less Tax)	...	11	17	10			
<i>Re Winter (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(1119)—</i>								
	Humphreys, C. and W.—							
5764	Proportion of rent of No. 52, Brook-street, and Nos. 9 to 11, Harris-court, to 2nd March, 1886 (less Tax)	...	8	8	1			
<i>Re Moody (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1120)—</i>								
	Bristow, W.—							
5765	Costs of Arbitration	...	18	14	6			
<i>Re Wood (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(1121)—</i>								
	Beddoe, H. C.—							
5766	Agent's Costs for completing purchase at Hereford		4	5	8			
<i>Re Dowsing (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(1122)—</i>								
	Wells, H. H.—							
5767	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	34	2	-			
<i>Re Roberts (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(1123)—</i>								
	Roberts, Edwd.—							
5768	Purchase-money for fee-simple of No. 35, Wel- lington-street	...	760	-	-			
	Hards, F.—							
5769	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	16	16	-			
	Carried forward	...	£1,113	18	1	3,364	2	3

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ...	1,113	18	1	3,364	2	3
<i>Re Francis (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(1124)—</i>							
	Lockyer, G.—						
5770	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c. ...	18	-	-			
<i>Re Skelt's Trustees (Tench-street)—(1125 and 1126)—</i>							
	Ashbridge, J.—						
5771	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, and of obtaining Order for appointment of Trustees ...	41	12	-			
5772	Interest on purchase-money, from Christmas, 1885, to 7th April, 1886 (less Tax) ...	4	18	3			
<i>Re Powell (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(1127)—</i>							
	Powell, G. H., per Barclay, Bevan and Co.—						
5773	Purchase-money for Leasehold of Nos. 15 to 17, Elliott-square ...	350	-	-			
	Blake and Dannatt—						
5774	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract ...	10	10	-			
<i>Re Andrews (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(1128)—</i>							
	Andrews, W.—						
5775	Purchase-money for fee-simple of the "Beehive" Public-house, New-street ...	1,500	-	-			
	Hill, J. J.—						
5776	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract ...	22	1	-			
<i>Re Hiscock (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(1129)—</i>							
	Hiscock, Mrs. A. A.—						
5777	Purchase-money for No. 4, Fishing Smack-alley Booth, W. A.—	115	-	-			
5778	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract ...	6	6	-			
<i>Re Sandom (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(1130)—</i>							
	Purchase-money for fee simple of Nos. 27 to 47 (odd numbers), Frenches-fields—						
5779	Sandom, Mrs. Maria ...	£375	-	-			
5780	Sandom, Mrs. Ann Macure ...	375	-	-			
	Humphreys, Skitt and Humphreys—				750	-	-
5781	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract ...	16	16	-			
					3,949	1	4
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>							
<i>Re Barnett (Upper-street, Islington)—(1132)—</i>							
	Boulton, Sons and Sandeman—						
1570	Two-quarters' rent of Nos. 327, Upper-street, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax) ...						
					6	15	4
<i>Sundry Accounts.</i>							
<i>Re Dawson (Upper-street, Islington)—(1133)—</i>							
1938	Dawson, O. E.—						
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)—</i>						
	One-quarter's rent of No. 293, Upper-street, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)...				19	16	4
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund—</i>							
	One-quarter's rent of No. 292, Upper-street, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)...				14	10	-
					34	6	4
					£7,354	5	3

Your Committee have had before them a Letter from Messrs. Simpson, Palmer and Winder, on behalf of Messrs. Brag and Ingram, applying for permission to erect fencing across the site of the main Falcon-brook Sewer, passing under their building land known as the Nightingale-park Estate, Wandsworth-common. The Board's Sewer, it appears, passes under the land at the rear of certain existing houses, and the sites of intended houses, on the East side of Estcourt-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, and it is proposed to extend the fences across the site of the Sewer, as also shown upon the Plan. Your Committee, after conference with your Engineer, recommend—

That permission be granted for the garden fences being so extended, upon condition that a small gate be fixed in each fence to give the Board's men access for the purpose of cleansing or examining the Sewer from time to time, and that the keys of the gates be lodged with the Board, and that the Board's rights in the Sewer be maintained, under an Agreement to be prepared by the Solicitor.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the communications, referred to them on the 2nd instant (Nos. 3, 34 and 41), from the Wandsworth District Board of Works, the Bolingbroke Tradesmen's and Ratepayer's Club, Battersea, and the Vestry of Battersea, asking that this Board will undertake the control and management of Wandsworth-common. The subject of dealing with the Common was before the Board in the year 1871, when the Bill was before Parliament for vesting the Common in a Board of Conservators. The view then taken by this Board was that the Common should be dealt with in the same way as others in the Metropolis, and the Board, upon the recommendation of your Committee, presented a Petition against the Bill, which, however, was ultimately passed. Having carefully considered the matter, upon the present communications your Committee think that the best course will be to inform the Wandsworth District Board, that in the event of their prosecuting a Bill in Parliament, in satisfactory form, to enable this Board to take over the Common, the Board will not oppose it. Your Committee recommend in accordance with this view.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Churchwardens of the Parishes of St. Olave and St. John's, Southwark, referred by the Board on the 5th ultimo (No. 10), asking the Board to contribute a moiety of the cost, estimated at £1,017, of converting the old Burial-ground in St. John's Parish into a place of resort for the inhabitants of the Parishes. The area of the ground is half an acre, and your Committee learn from your Superintending Architect that the estimate, which includes the erection of a new iron railing and the formation of flower beds and asphalte pavement, is, in his opinion, not excessive. They have satisfied themselves, by a view of the ground, that the proposal is a beneficial one, and they therefore recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £508, and to be paid to the Churchwardens, on the ground being dedicated to the use of the public for ever, and on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the Letter from the Hackney District Board referred on the 26th February last (No. 6), asking for a contribution towards the cost, estimated at £300, of an Improvement by widening High-street, Homerton. Your Superintending Architect reports that the street at the point referred to is only about 25 feet wide; that the width will be increased to 40 feet, and that about 4,575 feet of land will be added to the public way. He also considers the estimated cost fair and reasonable. Your Committee, after a view of the locality, are of opinion that the proposed Improvement is a desirable one, and they recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £150, and to be paid to the District Board on a Certificate by the Superintending

Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Hackney District Board referred on the 14th December, 1883 (No. 3), asking this Board to contribute towards the cost, estimated at £150, of an Improvement by adding a strip of land to the highway of Sidney-road, Homerton. By the proposal the width of the road would be increased at the point in question from 16 to 24 feet, and about 226 superficial feet of land, be added to the public way. Your Superintending Architect reports that the cost is fair and reasonable, and your Committee, having taken an opportunity of viewing the locality, recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £75, and to be paid to the District Board on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
DONALD MUNRO,
J. E. BRADFELD,
GEO. HILL,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Simpson, Palmer and Winder, on behalf of Messrs. Brag and Ingram, for permission to erect fencing across the site of the Main Falcon-brook Sewer passing under their building land known as the Nightingale-park Estate, be granted on condition that a small gate be fixed in each fence, to give the Board's men access for the purpose of cleansing or examining the Sewer from time to time, and that the keys of the gates be lodged with the Board, and that the Board's rights in the Sewer be maintained under an Agreement, to be prepared by the Solicitor; and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare an Agreement accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That a Letter be sent to the Wandsworth District Board informing them, with reference to the suggestion that Wandsworth-common should be under the control of this Board, that in the event of the District Board prosecuting a Bill in Parliament, in satisfactory form, to enable this Board to take over the Common, the Board will not oppose such Bill.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Meaden—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

After discussion, the amendment was put to the vote, there were for it 3, against it 33; and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£1,017) of the laying out by the Churchwardens of the Parishes of St. Olave and St. John, Southwark, of the old Burial-ground in the Parish of St. John, Southwark, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £508, and to be paid to the Churchwardens on the ground being dedicated to the use of the public for ever, and on

a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£300) of an Improvement in High-street, Homerton, proposed to be effected by the Hackney District Board, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £150, and to be paid to the District Board on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£150) of an Improvement at the entrance of Sidney-road, Homerton, effected by the Hackney District Board, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £75, and to be paid to the District Board on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

5. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 13th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to call the attention of the Board to the necessity for a better Fire Brigade Station in Bethnal-green. The present Station is No. 283, Bethnal-green-road, and consists of an old Engine-house which belonged to the Parish authorities before the Fire Brigade was established by the Board. The premises are extremely inconvenient, and utterly inadequate for Fire Brigade purposes, most of the men having to live in lodgings outside. Your Committee have for many years been endeavouring to obtain a suitable site, or premises for a new Station, but without success. An opportunity now offers for obtaining a site in Green-street, where the Board has acquired a considerable extent of ground under the powers of the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1883, for the purpose of widening the street. As the widening will probably be effected in the course of the present year, it is not too early, if the Board agrees with the Committee in thinking the locality suitable for a new Station, to allot a site for the purpose. The Chief Officer of the Brigade and your Superintending Architect have submitted a Plan showing the site which they consider most suitable, and your Committee recommend—

That a new Station be erected upon the site referred to, and that it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to ascertain and report to the Board the amount with which the Fire Brigade Capital Account should be charged as the cost of the ground.

On 16th October, 1885, Francis H. Pallot, a Fourth-class Fireman was discharged from the Brigade in consequence of permanent infirmity in the form of epilepsy resulting from a fall which he met with while working at a fire at the Plumbago Crucible works, in Church-road, Battersea. The Board at the same time granted to Pallot an allowance of 15s. per week for six months, your Committee wishing to re-consider the case at the end of that period for the purpose of ascertaining whether Pallot was likely to be fit for some other kind of work. Your Committee find that Pallot is still suffering as much as when he was discharged, and they have had before them a Certificate showing that he is still an out-patient at the National Hospital for the Paralytic and Epileptic in

Queen-square, Bloomsbury, and is unable to work. As it appears probable that the poor man will suffer all his life long from the effects of the accident he met with while in the discharge of his duty, your Committee are of opinion that proper provision should be made for him by the Board, and they recommend—

That an allowance of 15s. a week be granted to him, such allowance to continue during the pleasure of the Board.

Your Committee have received a Report from the Chief Officer, and a Certificate from one of the Medical Officers, to the effect that Robert Johnson, a Second-class Fireman is suffering from chronic rheumatism and neuralgic pains in the head, stated to be the result of his head having been injured by falling bricks at a fire in Duke-street, Bloomsbury, in June, 1880. Johnson was born in December, 1852, and joined the Brigade in January, 1879; he is, therefore, 33 years of age, and has completed 7 years' service. If Johnson's infirmity had been due to natural causes, not necessarily connected with the discharge of his duty, he would have been entitled, on leaving, after 7 years' service, to a gratuity of £46 15s. 3d. In view, however, of the Medical Officer's opinion, that what Johnson is now suffering from is the result of injuries received at a fire some years ago, it appears to your Committee that it may be the duty of the Board to make some further provision than a mere grant of the gratuity to which he would in ordinary circumstances be entitled. They have, however, not at present sufficient information as to the probability of Johnson's future recovery to enable them to deal finally with the case, and they confine themselves at present to recommending—

That he be discharged, and that an allowance of 15s. a week be made to him for six months, at the end of which time his case will be re-considered.

Fourth-class Fireman Richard Howlett has been reported to your Committee for serious misconduct while on duty, and your Committee recommend—

That he be dismissed.

Your Committee have to report that Fourth-class Fireman Samuel E. Froggatt has withdrawn from the service, and that his name has accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to recommend—

That James W. Clowsley and William J. Mellows be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth-class of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to report, for the information of the Board, that they have given instructions for a new hose-hoist, and some other small works to be erected at the Shoreditch Station at a cost of about £65. They have also given directions for the levelling and paving of the ground of the Churchyard of Holy Trinity Church Paddington, in which a Fire-escape has been allowed to stand for many years. The cost of the work will be about £60.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

GEORGE HILL,
W. J. WETENHALL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
W. R. SELWAY.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That a Station be erected upon ground belonging to the Board in Green-street, Bethnal-green, in substitution for the present inadequate Station in Bethnal-green-road, and that it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, to ascertain and report to the Board the amount with which the Fire Brigade Capital Account should be charged as the cost of the ground.

It was moved by Mr. Hill, seconded, and resolved—That an allowance of 15s. a week

be granted to F. H. Pallot, who, on 16th October last, was discharged from the Fire Brigade in consequence of serious injuries received at a fire, and that such allowance do continue during the pleasure of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Second-class Fireman Robert Johnson, who is suffering from illness such as permanently to incapacitate him for service in the Brigade, be discharged, and that an allowance of 15s. a week be made to him for six months.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Fourth-class Fireman Richard Howlett be dismissed for misconduct.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That James W. Clowsley, and William J. Mellows be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

6. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 13th April, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Crickmay and Son, on behalf of Messrs. J. and W. Nicholson and Co., for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the "Horns" Tavern and Assembly-rooms, in Kennington-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 59). Your Committee have also had before them an amended Plan submitted by the applicants, which has received the approval of the Vestry of Lambeth. The external angle of the proposed extension shown on the amended Plan has been set back about 4 feet, to meet the views of the Vestry, and the applicants propose to surrender to the public a considerable strip of land. Your Committee are of opinion that the sanction of the Board may be given, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 16th April, 1886, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground separating the proposed buildings from the public way, and coloured Blue upon the amended Plan, be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on such Plan, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have also to report that they have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 11th December last (No. 6), authorising them to confer with the Owners of the "Horns" Assembly-rooms, in Kennington-road, respecting the alterations necessary to remedy the structural defects of the building. The Board's draft Notice specifying the works required for the purpose, having been transmitted to the Owners some correspondence subsequently took place with Messrs. Nash, Field and Withers, who stated that their clients, Messrs. J. and W. Nicholson and Co., the Owners of the property, had, after careful consideration, decided to re-build the whole of the premises, including the Assembly-rooms, and the adjoining Tavern. Instructions were accordingly given to their Architects, Messrs. Crickmay and Son, to prepare the necessary Drawings for the purpose, which have been submitted to, and carefully examined by your Committee. The large Assembly room on the level of the first floor at the rear of the Tavern, and fronting upon Kennington-road, will be 75 feet 6 inches long and 39 feet wide, having at the Northern end a stage 12 feet 6 inches deep, separated from the auditorium by a brick wall 14 inches thick, and also having a gallery, 12 feet deep, at the opposite end. In connection with the large Hall on the same level will be two supper rooms, a waiting room and a lavatory; and under the large Hall will be a minor Hall, on the ground floor, and a public room for use in connection with the Tavern. Other smaller rooms are included in the design, and your Committee having examined the arrangement of those, and the

construction of the entrances, passages, staircases, door-ways, and floors of the building are of opinion that the Drawings are in accordance with the Board's regulations for places of public entertainment. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the application of Messrs. Crickmay and Son, on behalf of Messrs. J. and W. Nicholson and Co., for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the proposed re-building of the "Horns" Tavern and Assembly-rooms, in Kennington-road, at the corner of Kennington-park-road, be granted; that the Drawings submitted by Messrs. Crickmay and Son, on the 6th March, 1886, be approved; and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the building, in accordance with such Drawings, to the satisfaction of the Board.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 5th February last (No. 10), authorising them to confer through their Sub-Committee with the Owner of the "Griffin" Music-hall, No. 99, Shoreditch High-street, upon the five Requisitions contained in the Board's draft Notice with respect to the structural defects of the building. The Architect to the Owners (the City of London Brewery Company, Limited) attended your Committee, and stated in objection to the first Requisition that the formation of an entrance passage, 4 feet 6 inches wide, leading to the Music-hall through the bar of the Public-house would leave insufficient space in front of the counter for the convenience of the trade. It was therefore proposed to separate the two portions of the premises by building a wall at the Western end of the Hall, and to make the public enter and leave the Hall by means of door-ways opening into Jane Shore-court. As that Court is a *cul-de-sac*, only about three feet wide at its entrance from High-street, and has houses abutting upon it, it appeared undesirable to make it the only means of exit from the Hall. Your Committee therefore suggested a combination, in a modified form, of the two means of exit which had been proposed, namely, through the bar and through the Court, as the best solution of the question. That arrangement is shown upon a Plan which has been prepared by the Architect to the Owners, and which appears to be satisfactory. Some alterations will be necessary in the first and second Requisitions, in order to enable the arrangement to be carried out, but the remaining Requisitions may be retained in their original form. Your Committee are therefore of opinion that a revised Notice containing the following Requisitions should be served upon the Owners—

1.—That an entrance passage, not less than 3 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the Hall through the bar of the "Griffin" Public house; that such passage be separated from the Public-house by a brick wall 4½ inches thick, with piers 9 inches thick in cement, and that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the Public-house; that not more than one opening, not exceeding 3 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall, and be closed by a wrought-iron door, one-fourth of an inch thick in the panel, in a wrought-iron frame, hung so as to close of itself without a spring; that the floor of such passage be formed of brick arches 9 inches thick, or of concrete 6 inches thick on rolled iron joists; and that such passage do have a ceiling of concrete 6 inches thick on rolled iron joists.

2.—That a brick wall, 9 inches thick, be built at the Western end of the Hall, to separate the Hall from the Public-house adjoining; that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the Public-house, and be carried up to a height of three feet above the flat roof of the Music-hall; and that not more than one opening, not exceeding 3 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall, on the ground floor level, for access to the Music-hall.

3.—That the staircase leading from the Hall to the rooms on the first floor of the Public-house be removed, and the flooring of the Hall made good.

4.—That the door-way in the North wall of the Music-hall leading into Jane Shore-court, be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, and that an additional step be formed to such door-way as enlarged.

5.—That the doors to the Hall be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

And they recommend—

That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owners of the Hall.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from Messrs. Dubois, Reid and Williams, with reference to the Board's refusal of the application of Mr. W. Emden, on behalf of Messrs. Webb and Wilmot, for a Certificate under the Act of 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed new Theatre on the site of the Occidental Tavern in Savoy-buildings (formerly Fountain-court), Strand. Messrs. Dubois in their communication stated that they were desirous of ascertaining what alterations or amendments in the Drawings previously submitted were requisite to meet the views of the Board, and they requested an interview with your Committee for the purpose. The Letter was referred to your Committee on the 19th ultimo (No. 49), with authority to confer with the parties interested. Mr. Reid, Solicitor, and Mr. Emden, Architect, accordingly attended the Theatres and Music-halls Sub-Committee on the 23rd ultimo, and after hearing several points in which the former Drawings were considered objectionable, Mr. Emden immediately submitted an amended set, distinguished by the letter "C," which, he believed, would meet the views of the Board. The Sub-Committee were only able to make a cursory examination of the Drawings while the parties were in attendance, and therefore stated that they could not pronounce any definite opinion with respect to their merits until they had had an opportunity of examining them in detail. The result of such an examination showed that the Drawings varied in some important particulars from the previous set, marked "B." The floor of the corridor at the rear of the private boxes, on the dress circle level, was lowered about 8 feet to the level of the Strand, and the floor of the pit was also lowered to a corresponding extent. The space under the pit floor was abolished, and the old vaults next the Strand, although proposed to be retained, were not made use of in connection with the Theatre. Both the pit bar and the gallery bar were considerably reduced in size. The dressing rooms were arranged as before in five floors, three above and two below the stage, and had fire-resisting floors and ceilings. The Sub-Committee, however, pointed out to the parties, who were again in attendance at their next meeting, certain particulars in which the Drawings still appeared to require amendment. Those had relation to the position of the door between the pit bar and the space at the rear, the making of the doors of the private boxes to open inwards, so as not to obstruct the gangways, the removal of the doors placed at the ends of each row of the stalls, and the formation of a gangway in the gallery. Mr. Emden thereupon undertook to send in without delay a further set of Drawings, amended in accordance with the views of the Sub-Committee. That was accordingly done on the 7th instant, and the last set of Drawings is in the opinion of your Committee satisfactory. They therefore recommend—

That the set of amended Drawings, marked Ca 1, Ca 2, Ca 3, Ca 4 and Ca 5, submitted by Mr. W. Emden, for the construction of a proposed new Theatre on the site of the "Occidental" Tavern, in Savoy-buildings (formerly Fountain-court), Strand, with an entrance on the site of No. 106, Strand, be approved, and that the Certificate of the Board, under the Act of 1878, be issued upon the completion of the building in accordance with such approved Drawings to the satisfaction of the Board; and that Messrs. Dubois, Reid, and Williams be informed, in reply to their Letter of the 18th March, 1886, of the decision of the Board in the matter.

Your Committee have also to report their proceedings under the Resolution of the Board of the 5th February last (No. 10), authorising them to confer with the Owner of the Kensington Hall, in Kensington-park-road, Notting-hill, upon the seven Requisitions contained in the Board's draft Notice with respect to the structural defects of the building.

The Owner has not accepted the invitation to personally attend your Committee, but he has forwarded written observations upon the several Requisitions. He objects to carrying down the wall mentioned in the First Requisition, to the level of the footings of the basement storey, but your Committee consider it desirable to adhere to that requirement. With regard to the flooring over the passage-way leading to the Hall, the Owner stated that it was already fire-proof, but as its construction proved upon examination to be unsatisfactory, your Committee believe it will be the best course to have the Third Requisition re-drawn in more explicit terms. The Owner also objects to the Fourth Requisition, providing for the removal or proper ventilation of the dressing-rooms under the stage, but it appears to your Committee essential to retain the provision. To the other requirements of the Board no exception has been taken and your Committee are of opinion that a revised Notice containing the following Requisitions should be served upon the Owner—

1.—That a brick wall, 9 inches thick, be built under the wall on the West side of the passage-entrance leading to the Hall, and be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the house No. 188, Kensington-park-road.

2.—That the door-way leading into the shop on the ground floor of No. 188, Kensington-park-road, be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

3.—That the counter ceiling to the entrance passage to the Hall out of Kensington-park-road, be removed; that a new ceiling, be formed in lieu thereof, extending from the street to the entrance door-way to the Hall; and that such new ceiling be constructed of concrete, not less than 6 inches thick, on rolled iron joists, to the satisfaction of the Board.

4.—That the dressing-rooms under the stage be removed, or be properly lighted and ventilated to the satisfaction of the Board.

5.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by galvanized-iron wire guards, fixed upon the outside of such skylights.

6.—That handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase to the gallery.

7.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards.

And they therefore recommend—

That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from Messrs. H. Gover and Son, appealing against the decision of the Board with respect to the structural defects of the Lecture-hall, at Royal-hill, Greenwich, referred by the Board on the 5th February last (No. 46). The appeal appears to have been given merely as a precautionary measure, as it had relation to three of the sixteen Requisitions made by the Board, and those few remaining matters the appellants apprehended could be settled in a satisfactory manner. Your Committee accordingly communicated with Messrs. Gover on the subject, pointing out what works appeared essential for the safety of the public, and they have received from your Superintending Architect a Report stating the result of a recent survey of the premises. The seats in the angles of the Hall have not been removed, as mentioned in the Seventh Requisition, but the required gangway has been formed. The iron door which was required to be placed at the South-East angle of the dancing academy, on the first floor of the proprietary school, has not been fixed, but in lieu thereof an iron door has been placed to the door-way to the lobby of the academy, at the head of the principal staircase. As that door, when closed, effectually separates the

Lecture-hall from the proprietary school, your Committee consider it sufficient to meet the exigences of the case. All the other alterations required to be made under the Board's Notice have been completed. Your Committee, under those circumstances, recommend—

That the works executed by the Owners of the Lecture-hall, at Royal-hill, Greenwich, be accepted as a compliance with the Board's sealed Notice with respect to the structural defects of the building; that the Justices of Kent (Blackheath Division) be informed of the completion of the works; and that Messrs. H. Gover and Son be informed that it is unnecessary to proceed with the appeal of which they have given notice.

Your Committee have had under consideration the application of Mr. J. R. Johnston, on behalf of Mr. W. Newholm, for approval by the Board of a proposed variation from the Drawing approved by the Board for a proposed new Music-hall at the rear of the "Old Pied Bull" Public-house, No. 188, Holloway-road, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 77). The Board, on the 5th ultimo (No. 13), approved of the amended Drawing submitted by the applicant for the construction of the Music-hall, and agreed to grant their Certificate upon the satisfactory completion of the building. Among other things it was proposed to close the openings in the South wall of the bar looking on to a passage leading to the Hall. The applicant now wishes to retain one door-way between the bar and the passage to the Hall, and to close the same with an iron door. It is also proposed to form a small window opening in the wall, between the bar parlour and the passage, and to erect two water-closets and an urinal on a portion of the yard on the North side of the Public-house. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 11th December last (No. 6), authorising them to confer with the Owner of the Rosemary Branch Music-hall, in Shepperton-road, Islington, upon the question of the structural defects of the building. The Board's draft Notice, containing Twelve Requisitions for remedying such defects, was transmitted to the Owner on the 23rd December last. He did not in reply submit, as requested, my observations upon the Notice, but asked that the consideration of the subject might be delayed, in order to allow his Architect time to prepare Plans for a new Hall downstairs. The request was acceded to, but his Architect, Mr. E. Clark, has informed your Committee that his client was unable to carry out the Board's Requisitions, and that the Mortgagee had taken possession of the property, and determined to relinquish the Music License. Your Committee have ascertained, however, that the Hall is still kept open nightly for musical performances, and that the arrangements for the accommodation of the public are far from satisfactory. It therefore appears desirable to proceed regularly, under the Act of 1878, for obtaining the remedy of the structural defects of the building, and your Committee are of opinion that a sealed Notice, containing the following Requisitions, being the same as those contained in the draft Notice, should be served upon the Owner—

1.—That a new entrance passage be formed to the Hall; that such new entrance-passage be not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide, and be enclosed on all sides with brickwork or other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor, and that no openings of any kind be formed in the side walls of such entrance passage.

2.—That the present staircase to the Hall be removed, and a new staircase constructed in its place; that such new staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than twelve steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls, not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide,

and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed on all sides by brick walls, not less than 9 inches thick ; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings ; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

3.—That the floor of the staircase hall be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

4.—That the openings between the staircase hall and the bar, and also between the bar-parlour and the store-room at the rear, be stopped up with brick-work 9 inches thick.

5.—That the whole of the floor of the Hall, and the floors of the two dressing-rooms, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

6.—That the partitions enclosing the dressing-rooms be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

7.—That the windows of the Hall be protected by wrought-iron guard bars to a height of 6 feet from the ground.

8.—That a gangway 3 feet wide be formed around every side of the Pit, and that the seats at the sides of the Pit be removed.

9.—That the passage-way leading to the Pit be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches.

10.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

11.—That stout handrails be fixed upon both sides of the staircase.

12.—That all door-ways used by the public be made not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide (where now of less width), and that all doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards towards the street.

In accordance with those views, your Committee recommend—

That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor ; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same ; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

Your Committee beg to submit, herewith, a Report which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under a Magistrate's Order at the premises therein mentioned, the same being a Dangerous Structure, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrate to be done at the following premises, the same being a Dangerous Structure, viz.—

No. 2, Middle-row, Kensal-road, Chelsea.

Your Committee have received a Report from your Superintending Architect, from which it appears that the premises, No. 44, Great College-street, St. Pancras, were certified to be in a dangerous condition on the 5th of February last. A Summons was taken out on the 26th of the same month, and an Order was made on the 9th March by the Magistrate at the Clerkenwell Police-court, which had not been complied with. The matter being urgent, your Superintending Architect instructed the Contractors to

take down certain portions of the building, and your Committee report the facts for the information of the Board, and recommend—

That the course taken be approved.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from Mrs. K. J. Dance, claiming damages in consequence of the proceedings taken relative to Nos. 23 and 24, Charing-cross, being Dangerous Structures. The premises formed one house, which the District Surveyor, on the 2nd February, 1884, certified to be in a dangerous state, so far as the party-wall between those premises, and No. 25, was concerned. The usual notice was served on the Hygienic Sanitary Engineering Company, who had sub-let the upper part of the house to Mrs. Dance, and her husband. Nothing having been done by the Owner, a Summons was issued, and on the 22nd February, 1884, a Magistrate's Order was obtained, directing the Owner to execute the works within 14 days. Between that date and the 19th March, 1884, several Letters were received by your Superintending Architect from Mrs. Dance, complaining that the Owners were not complying with the Magistrate's Order relative to the party-wall, but that they were seeking to pull down the whole of the house. On the 20th March, the District Surveyor gave a supplemental Certificate as to the necessity for taking down the defective parts of the front wall and chimney-stack, and the removal of the inmates. An Order was subsequently made for the removal of the inmates, which was carried out by an Officer of the Court, and the premises were closed. A further Notice was also served upon the Owners to have the work specified in the Supplemental Certificate executed. That was done, and the Board's expenses were paid by the Owners; and the District Surveyor on the 20th May reported that the danger was removed. Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by the Solicitor that the Board have incurred no responsibility, and they recommend—

That Mrs. Dance be informed, in reply to her Letter, that the Board are unable to admit any liability in the matter.

Your Committee have considered your Superintending Architect's Report as to the neglected condition of the premises, No. 43, Winchester-street, Pimlico. Proceedings were taken against Miss Scott in respect of the premises, and an Order was obtained for payment of £51 2s. 4d. Miss Scott has addressed several communications to your Solicitor objecting to the proceedings taken against her by the Board, and stating that the persons responsible are Cubitt's Trustees, who are apparently the ground landlords. Your Solicitor is of opinion that the payment of the expenses should not be enforced until the amount of the expenses incurred in dealing with the premises as Neglected Structures shall have been ascertained. Your Committee have considered a Report from your Solicitor, from which it appears that he obtained an Order from a Magistrate to repair the property within 28 days and that £2 6s. costs were allowed and £2 2s. for the expenses of Mr. W. Batley, who testified that the state of the structure was prejudicial to the property in the neighbourhood. Your Committee recommend—

That the sum of £2 2s. be paid to Mr. W. Batley, being his charges for evidence given at the hearing of the Summons.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. C. W. Lemon, asking whether the Board would be satisfied with the signature of the Lessee to the document accepting the condition annexed to the consent of the Board relative to the surrender to the public of the surplus ground in front of nine proposed shops in Greyhound-lane, Streatham, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 74). The Freeholders state that they are prevented from giving any undertaking without first obtaining the consent of the Court of Chancery. The applicant, however, represents that he has a Lease of the property for 95 years, and is willing to undertake that during that time the Board's requirements shall be observed. Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor that the signature of the applicant may be accepted in lieu of that of the freeholder, as an application to the Court would involve great expense to the Estate,

and the term for which the applicant holds the property is a very long one. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the proposed signature be accepted by the Board.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. T. H. Green, relative to the erection of shops on the West side of Church-place, Hampstead, alleged to be in advance of the general line of buildings, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 47). Shops are being erected by Mr. King at the rear of the houses on the West side of Church-place. It would seem that no question can arise under the 75th Section of the Act 25 and 26 Vict., c. 102, as to the frontage line, but that the issue is as to building in a street not of the statutory width. Church-place is at present 39 feet wide, but the Board propose to widen it to 50 feet in connection with the Hampstead Improvement. Your Committee concur with your Solicitor in thinking it unnecessary to take proceedings, and they recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Green be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 2nd instant (No. 6), referring to them, the Letter from the Home Office, transmitting a Letter from Viscount Wolmer, M.P., and its enclosure, enquiring whether the re-erection of a dissecting-room on the Burial-ground of St. George-the-Martyr, Bloomsbury, could be prevented. The dissecting-room and lecture-hall adjoining, are the property of Dr. Cooke, who states that he has a leasehold interest in the premises, under the Rector of the Parish, at a rental of £70 per annum. The Lecture-hall was erected before the passing of the Disused Burial-grounds Act, and your Solicitor is of opinion that any proceedings under that Act would be unsuccessful. The dissecting room, which was destroyed by fire two months since, was erected in 1877, under a License granted by the Board, and it is proposed to re-erect a precisely similar building upon the old foundations. The Burial-ground was closed by Order in Council some 30 years since. Your Committee submit herewith a Report by your Solicitor, explaining fully the legal bearings of the question, and they recommend—

That a Letter be addressed to the Home Office, stating that the Board, having fully considered the subject, deem it unnecessary to take any action in the matter.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Plumstead District Board, relative to the time which has elapsed since a Plan was approved for continuing Palmerston-road, Plumstead, to a junction with Plum-lane, and requesting that the necessary steps might be taken for the completion of the thoroughfare, referred by the Board on 12th December, 1884 (No. 34). The Board, on the 23rd January, 1885 (No. 6), instructed their Solicitor to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and your Committee on the 29th September, directed him to proceed for continuing penalties. The builder has now complied with the Notice by making the road open at both ends from the ground upwards. On the adjourned hearing of the Summons on the 9th instant, the Magistrate fined the defendant the nominal penalty of 10s. and £1 3s. costs. Your Committee recommend—

That the reference be discharged.

Your Committee have considered the application of Major-General A. S. Moberley, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan showing the construction of an external staircase recently erected at the workshops for the Blind of Kent, at the rear of No. 1, Thornton-row, South-street, Greenwich, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 46). The wall is carried up to the eaves of the roof, and will extend at the base 1 foot 9 inches beyond the staircase. Your Committee, having heard the parties interested, recommend—

That no action be taken by the Board in the matter, and that Major-General Moberley and the District Surveyor be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. G. Pooley, on behalf of the

National Liberal Land Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a further amended Plan for the formation and names of roads, and the widening of existing roads, on the Highbury Estate, Highbury-crescent, referred by the Board on the 12th ultimo (No. 88). In carrying out the scheme it is proposed to widen Nelson-place to 40 feet, as well as the old road-way next Highbury-crescent, and the new road will extend above the Railway tunnel. Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Solicitor, stating that, from the position of the Company, it may fairly be assumed that the Contracts and undertaking which have been submitted to him by the Company's Solicitor relative to the purchase of ground for approaches to some of the proposed and existing roads would be fairly carried out, and duly completed. Your Committee think that the application may be granted, provided the Solicitor can satisfy himself as to the rights of ownership, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the applicant do satisfy the Solicitor of the Board as to the Company's ownership of all the land required for the formation of the proposed roads, and also on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Arvon-road, N.," "Horsell-road, N.," "Rossall-road, N.," "Witherington-road, N.," and "Melgund-road, N.," be approved for the same.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 76), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. F. T. Pilkington, for approval by the Board of the height of Artizans' Dwellings to be erected in Broadley-street, St. Marylebone, as shown upon the amended Drawing accompanying the application. The Board on the 19th of February last declined to grant their consent to the erection of the buildings to a height of 60 feet 10 inches above the footpath, the road being only 40 feet wide. The applicant now proposes to keep down the parapet of the buildings to 49 feet 4 inches above the pavement level. Your Committee consider that it is a case in which the Board may use their discretionary powers, and they recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Mr. P. W. Williamson, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church, erected in Bolingbroke-road, Hammersmith, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 57). The District Surveyor reports that the works required to be done to ensure the stability of the building have been executed in a very satisfactory manner. The applicant was informed on the 6th ultimo that the Board would be prepared to return the deposit, in the event of his accepting the form of License approved by them. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of Two years, from the 16th instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from the Rev. S. A. Barnett, relative to the structural condition of Queen's-place, Whitechapel, and to the danger to the inhabitants in case of fire, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 49). The Court referred to is approached by a covered entrance 3 feet wide, and is entirely closed at the rear. The front houses are constructed of wood, and, as several families live in the Court, Mr. Barnett apprehends great loss of life in the event of a fire. The houses in the Court were condemned by the Medical Officer six years ago, but were not considered by the Local Government Board to be bad enough to justify the application of Torrens' Act. Mr. Barnett has been informed by the Local Government Board that the case appears to be within the purview of the Building Act, but your Committee concur with your Superintending Architect in the opinion that that an erroneous view. Your Committee recommend—

That the substance of the Superintending Architect's Report be communicated to Mr. Barnett in reply to his Letter.

Your Committee have had before them the Letters from Mr. H. Jarvis, District Surveyor, and Messrs. Oliver and Leeson, stating that a Disagreement having arisen

between them relative to the construction of staircases at Alleyn Boys' School, Dulwich, they, in accordance with the 30th Section of the Building Act, submitted the matter for the consideration of the Board, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 52). The point of difference is that the staircases of the building are being constructed of wood, and not of fireproof materials. Your Committee consider that the matter should be adjudicated upon by the Board, and they recommend—

That the Board do proceed to consider the subject of Disagreement at their Meeting on Friday, the 7th May next, at One o'clock p.m.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. Lea, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey addition to the "Victoria" Public-house in Choumert-road, Peckham, to the line shown on the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 54). The addition will project 6 feet 8 inches beyond the houses in Bellenden-road, and the adjoining Owner objects to the proposal. Your Committee deem the Plan unsatisfactory, and recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Mr. W. M. Nelson, on behalf of Mr. T. H. Maudslay, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shed addition to premises on the East side of Knight's-hill, Lower Norwood, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 57). The shed is in course of erection in concrete, and will form an addition to existing sheds in connection with premises in the occupation of Mr. Maudslay. The shed is set back 10 feet 6 inches from the public way, and your Committee, seeing no objection to the Plan, recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shed therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. A. G. Lavender, on behalf of Mrs. H. Major, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses on the North side of Wildfell-road, and of a house, with a one-storey shop, at the corner of Wildfell-road and High-road, Lewisham, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 60). It appears from the Plan submitted that a space would be left between the pathway in High-road, and the proposed new line, which would not be built upon. The Plan is in some respects imperfect; your Committee do not think that it should be approved in its present form, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. S. O. Jobbins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in front of Nos. 143 to 155 (odd numbers only), High-road, Lee, formerly Nos. 2 to 8, Newton-villas, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 61). It is proposed to erect one-storey shops in a line with the porticoes, which project 4 feet beyond the main wall of the houses, and to give up to the public way the ground between the pathway and the proposed additions. The Plumstead District Board consider the proposal objectionable, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. J. and J. Goodman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops adjoining Nelson-row, on the South side of High-street, Clapham, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 64). The Plan now submitted differs from that which the Board on the 9th October last, declined to approve, inasmuch as it is proposed to widen the pavement by reducing the projection an

average of about 1 foot 6 inches. Nelson-row remaining at its present width. The Wandsworth District Board offer no objection. Your Committee recommend—

That the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shops, therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 16th April, 1886, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground coloured Blue on the amended Plan, separating the proposed shops from the public way, be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Brown, Son and Blomfield, on behalf of the Trustees of the Lewisham Congregational Church, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-room, in Station-road, Ladywell, Lewisham, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 71). It is intended to construct the building entirely with wooden framework, no iron or other materials being used, except the external iron roof and brickwork sleeper walls. Your Committee, considering the mode of building objectionable, recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the joint application of Mr. L. Mason and Mr. P. B. Cow, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary Mission-hall erected in Eardley-road, Streatham, and for approval of the Plan for the construction of an addition to the said Mission-hall; and also requesting the return of the deposit of £50, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 72). The Mission-hall was first approved by the Board in October, 1881, for a period of two years, and a deposit of £50 was paid. Your Committee reported on the 19th ultimo, that the License for the building expired in November, 1883, and that no application had been made since that date for a renewal, and the Board resolved that, as the original depositor was dead, no further action should be taken in the matter. The present application is for a one-storey addition, to be used as a Vestry, which will measure 9 feet by 8 feet, and will be of similar construction to the main erection. The Rev. G. S. Streatfield is the present Owner, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, for a period of Two years, from the 16th April, 1886, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building and the proposed addition; and that the applicants be informed, in reply to their Letter, that on their acceptance of the License the deposit-money will be returned to them, upon their satisfying the Solicitor of the Board that they are entitled to receive the same.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. J. G. Turner, Deputy District Surveyor, relative to the erection of buildings by Messrs. Jackson and Griffiths, on the North side of Holloway-road, Islington, in advance of the line sanctioned by the Board on the 17th April, 1885, referred by the Board on the 2nd instant (No. 79). The Board in April, 1885, approved of the erection of the buildings to a line set back so as to increase the width of Holloway-road, opposite the Southern corner of the buildings, to 62 feet 6 inches. Mr. Turner states that the width of the public way, at this point, is only 61 feet, and that Messrs. Jackson and Griffith have included 1 foot 6 inches more land than was intended. The Vestry of Islington have decided not to take any proceedings, and your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Turner be so informed.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from Mr. A. Peebles, District Surveyor, relative to the position of houses in course of erection at the North-East corner of Eton-avenue, Belsize-park-gardens, Hampstead, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 64). The house on the North side of Eton-avenue has a one-storey addition on the East side, which is brought out to the inside of the pathway in Belsize-park-gardens. The flank of the house on the South side of the

Avenue is set back 10 feet at the North-East angle, and 4 feet at the South-East angle, from the pathway in Primrose-hill-road. Having regard to a recent decision of the House of Lords, your Committee think it doubtful whether any proceedings could be successfully undertaken, and they recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Peebles be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. C. P. Deane, on behalf of Mr. J. T. Boss, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of Birdhurst-road, York-road, Wandsworth, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 65). Your Superintending Architect having surveyed the locality, reports that an old road-way, about 20 feet in width exists, upon the site of the proposed extension of Podmore-road. The road is paral-^{lel} with the Railway for some distance, but does not appear to have been opened for public use. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from Mr. F. Wallen, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a factory on the North side of Miller-street, Arlington-road, Camden-town, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings, without the consent of the Board, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 59). Two applications for approval of a building upon the site were recently refused by the Board. The Plan submitted shows that the front of the building, next Miller-street, is set back 10 feet 6 inches from the inside edge of the pavement. Your Committee recommend—

That the attention of the Vestry of St. Pancras be called to the subject, in order that they may take such steps in the matter as they may deem advisable.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 61), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. J. Taylor, on behalf of the East and West India Dock Company, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron Bridge across Lambeth-street, White-chapel, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application; the proposed Bridge will have a span of 23 feet, and will be constructed of iron, except the floor which is to be of wood. It will be erected at a level of about 35 feet above the street, and the sides are to be enclosed with corrugated iron to a height of 5 feet. Your Committee consider the Plan to be satisfactory, and they recommend—

That the construction be approved, upon condition that the work be done to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that the applicant be informed that the consent of the Whitechapel District Board to the erection of the Bridge must also be obtained.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. Breeze, on behalf of the Manufacturers and Mill-owner's Mutual Aid Association, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected in Palmer-street, Westminster, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 65.) The Board, in April, 1885, granted their approval of the erection of the building, for a period of one year, which the applicant wishes to be extended for another twelve months. The District Surveyor states that the building is in good condition, and that its stability is satisfactory. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, for a period of One year, from the 16th April, 1886, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

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FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
DONALD MUNRO,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W. R. SELWAY.

The Reports by the Superintending Architect and the Solicitor, submitted by the Committee, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Crickmay and Son, on behalf of Messrs. J. and W. Nicholson and Co., for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the “Horns” Tavern and Assembly-rooms, Kennington-road, at the corner of Kennington-park-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan, signed by the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground separating the proposed buildings from the public way, and coloured Blue upon the amended Plan, be given up and added to such public way, and that, in other respects, the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on such Plan, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Crickmay and Son, on behalf of Messrs. J. and W. Nicholson and Co., for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act 1878, with respect to the proposed re-building of the “Horns” Tavern and Assembly-rooms, Kennington-road, at the corner of Kennington-park-road, be granted; that the Drawings submitted by Messrs. Crickmay and Son, on the 6th March, 1886, be approved; and that the Certificate be issued upon the completion of the building, in accordance with such Drawings, to the satisfaction of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the “Griffin” Music-hall, [No. 99, Shoreditch High-street, be approved, and that, with a view to remedying the structural defects of the building, a revised Notice, containing the following Requisitions, be served upon the Owners thereof—

1.—That an entrance passage, not less than 3 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the Hall through the bar of the “Griffin” Public-house; that such passage be separated from the Public-house by a brick wall $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches thick, with piers 9 inches thick in cement, and that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the Public-house; that not more than one opening, not exceeding 3 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall, and be closed by a wrought-iron door, one-fourth of an inch thick in the panel, in a wrought-iron frame, hung so as to close of itself without a spring; that the floor of such passage be formed of brick arches 9 inches thick, or of concrete 6 inches thick on rolled iron joists; and that such passage do have a ceiling of concrete 6 inches thick on rolled iron joists.

2.—That a brick wall, 9 inches thick, be built at the Western end of the Hall, to separate the Hall from the Public-house adjoining; that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the Public-house, and be carried up to a height of 3 feet above the flat roof of the Music-hall; and that not more than one opening, not exceeding 3 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall, on the ground floor level, for access to the Music-hall.

3.—That the staircase leading from the Hall to the rooms on the first floor of the Public-house be removed, and the flooring of the Hall made good.

4.—That the door-way in the North wall of the Music-hall leading into Jane Shore-court, be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, and that an additional step be formed to such door-way as enlarged.

5.—That the doors to the Hall be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owners of the Hall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the set of amended Drawings, marked CA 1, CA 2, CA 3, CA 4 and CA 5, submitted by Mr. W. Emden, for the construction of a proposed new Theatre on the site of the "Occidental" Tavern, in Savoy-buildings (formerly Fountain-court), Strand, with an entrance on the site of No. 106, Strand, be approved, and that the Certificate of the Board, under the Act of 1878, be issued upon the completion of the building in accordance with such approved Drawings to the satisfaction of the Board; and that Messrs. Dubois, Reid and Williams be informed, in reply to their Letter of the 18th March, 1886, of the decision of the Board in the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Kensington Hall, in Kensington-park-road, Notting-hill, be approved, and that with a view to remedying the structural defects of the building, a revised Notice, containing the following Requisitions, should be served upon the Owner thereof.

1.—That brick wall, 9 inches thick, be built under the wall on the West side of the passage-entrance leading to the Hall, and be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey of the house, No. 188, Kensington-park-road.

2.—That the door-way leading into the shop on the ground floor of No. 188, Kensington-park-road, be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

3.—That the counter ceiling to the entrance passage to the Hall out of Kensington-park-road be removed; that a new ceiling be formed in lieu thereof, extending from the street to the entrance door-way to the Hall; and that such new ceiling be constructed of concrete, not less than 6 inches thick, on rolled iron joists, to the satisfaction of the Board.

4.—That the dressing-rooms under the stage be removed, or be properly lighted and ventilated, to the satisfaction of the Board.

5.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by galvanized iron wire-guards, fixed upon the outside of such skylights.

6.—That handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase to the gallery.

7.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the works executed by the Owners of the Lecture-hall, at Royal-hill, Greenwich, be accepted as a compliance with the Board's sealed Notice, with respect to the structural defects of the building; that the Justices of Kent (Blackheath Division) be informed of the completion of the works; and that Messrs. H. Gover and Son be informed that it is unnecessary to proceed with the appeal of which they have given notice.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. R. Johnston, on behalf of Mr. W. Newholm, for approval by the Board of a proposed

variation from the Drawing approved by the Board for a proposed new Music-hall at the rear of the "Old Pied Bull" Public-house, No. 188, Holloway-road, be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Rosemary Branch Music-hall, in Shepperton-road, Islington, be approved, and that, with a view to remedying the structural defects of the building, a sealed Notice, containing the following Requisitions, being the same as those contained in the draft Notice, be served upon the Owner thereof—

1. That a new entrance-passage be formed to the Hall; that such new entrance-passage be not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide, and be enclosed on all sides with brickwork or other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor, and that no openings of any kind be formed in the side walls of such entrance-passage.

2.—That the present staircase to the Hall be removed, and a new staircase constructed in its place; that such new staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than twelve steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls, not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls, not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

3.—That the floor of the staircase-hall be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

4.—That the openings between the staircase-hall and the bar, and also between the bar-parlour and the store-room at the rear, be stopped up with brick-work 9 inches thick.

5.—That the whole of the floor of the Hall, and the floors of the two dressing-rooms, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

6.—That the partitions enclosing the dressing-rooms be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

7.—That the windows of the Hall be protected by wrought-iron guard bars to a height of 6 feet from the ground.

8.—That a gangway 3 feet wide be formed around every side of the Pit, and that the seats at the sides of the Pit be removed.

9.—That the passage-way leading to the Pit be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches.

10.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the District Surveyor.

11.—That stout handrails be fixed upon both sides of the staircase.

12.—That all door-ways used by the public be made not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide (where now of less width), and that all doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards towards the street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be com-

pleted, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 13th day of April, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 2, Middle-row, Kensal-road, Chelsea, had failed to comply with the Order made by Henry Curtis Bennett, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Hammersmith Police-court, on the 8th day of March last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the front and return walls of the Structure, No. 2, Middle-row, Kensal-road, Chelsea, to the ground level.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the course taken by the Superintending Architect with reference to the Dangerous Structure, No. 44, Great College-street, St. Pancras, be approved.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mrs. K. J. Dance, claiming damages in consequence of proceedings taken under the Dangerous Structures Act, relative to Nos. 23 and 24, Charing-cross, be approved; and that Mrs. Dance be informed that the Board are unable to admit any liability in the matter.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the proceedings taken with reference to the neglected condition of No. 43, Winchester-street, Pimlico, be approved, and that the sum of £2 2s. be paid to Mr. W. Batley, being his charges for evidence given at the hearing of the Summons.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. C. W. Lemon, asking whether the Board would be satisfied with the signature of the Lessee to the document accepting the condition annexed to the consent of the Board, relative to the surrender to the public of the surplus ground in front of nine proposed shops in Greyhound-lane, Streatham, be approved, and that the signature be accepted.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. T. H. Green, as to the erection of shops on the West side of Church-place Hampstead, alleged to be in advance of the general line of buildings, and that Mr. Green be informed accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Home Office, transmitting a Letter from Viscount Wolmer, M.P., and its enclosure, enquiring whether the re-erection of a dissecting-room on the Burial-ground of St. George-the-Martyr, Bloomsbury, could be prevented, be approved, and that a Letter be sent to the Home Office in reply, stating that the Board having fully considered the subject, deem it unnecessary to take any action in the matter.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the reference to the Committee, relative to the extension of Palmerston-road, Plumstead, be discharged.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That no action be taken by the Board with reference to the application of Major-General A. S. Moberley, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan showing the construction of an external staircase recently erected at the workshops for the Blind of Kent, at the rear of No. 1, Thornton-row, South-street, Greenwich, and that Major-General Moberley, and the District Surveyor be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. G. Pooley, on behalf of the National Liberal Land Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a further amended Plan for the formation and names of roads, and the widening of existing roads, on the Highbury Estate, Highbury-crescent, be granted, on condition that the applicant do satisfy the Solicitor as to the Company's ownership of all the land required for the formation of the proposed roads, and also on condition that no barriers be at any time erected, or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Arvon-road, N.," "Horsell-road, N.," "Rossall-road, N.," "Witherington-road, N.," and "Melgund-road, N.," be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. F. T. Pilkington, for approval by the Board of the height of Artizans' Dwellings to be erected in Broadley-street, St. Marylebone, as shown upon the amended Drawing accompanying the application, be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. P. W. Williamson, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Church, erected in Bolingbroke-road, Hammersmith, be granted, for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Rev. S. A. Barnett, as to the structural condition of Queen's-place, Whitechapel, and the danger to the inhabitants in case of fire, be approved, and that the substance of the Superintending Architect's Report be communicated to Mr. Barnett.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do at their meeting on the 7th May next, at One o'clock p.m., consider the subject of Disagreement between Mr. H. Jarvis, District Surveyor, and Messrs. Oliver and Leeson, relative to the construction of staircases at Alleyn Boys' School, Dulwich, and that the parties concerned be requested to attend.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. Lea, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey addition to the "Victoria" Public-house, in Choumert-road, Peckham, to the line shown on the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. M. Nelson, on behalf of Mr. T. H. Maudslay, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shed addition to premises on the East side of Knight's-hill, Lower Norwood, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shed therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. G. Lavender, on behalf of Mrs. H. Major, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses on the North side of Wildfell-road, and of a house, with a one-storey shop, at the corner of Wildfell-road and High-road, Lewisham, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. S. O. Jobbins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in front of Nos. 143 to 155 (odd numbers only), High-road, Lee, formerly Nos. 2 to 8, Newton-villas, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Messrs. J. and J. Goodman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops adjoining Nelson-row, on the South side of High-street, Clapham, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shops, therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date; and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground coloured Blue on the amended Plan, separating the proposed shops from the public way, be given up and added to such public way; and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Messrs. Brown, Son and Blomfield, on behalf of the Trustees of the Lewisham Congregational Church, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-room, in Station-road, Ladywell, Lewisham, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the joint application of Mr. L. Mason and Mr. P. B. Cow, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary Mission-hall erected in Eardley-road, Streatham, and for approval of the Plan for the construction of an addition to the said Hall be granted, for a period of Two years, from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building and the proposed addition; and that the applicants be informed, in reply to that part of their application which relates to the return of the deposit-money, that, on their acceptance of the License, the money will be returned to them upon their satisfying the Solicitor that they are entitled to receive the same.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. J. G. Turner, Deputy District Surveyor, relative to the erection of buildings by Messrs. Jackson and Griffiths, on the North side of Holloway-road, Islington, in advance of the line sanctioned by the Board on the 17th April, 1885, and that Mr. Turner be so informed.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. A. Peebles, District Surveyor, as to the position of houses in course of erection at the North-East corner of Eton-avenue, Belsize-park-gardens, Hampstead, and that Mr. Peebles be so informed.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application of Mr. C. P. Deane, on behalf of Mr. J. T. Boss, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of Birdhurst-road, York-road, Wandsworth, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. F. Wallen, District Surveyor, as to the erection of a factory on the North side of Miller-street, Arlington-road, Camden-town, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings, without the consent of the Board, be approved, and that the attention of the Vestry of St. Pancras be called to the subject, in order that they may take such steps in the matter as they may deem advisable.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the application of Mr. J. Taylor, on behalf of the East and West India Dock Company, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron Bridge across Lambeth-street, Whitechapel, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be approved; and that the construction be sanctioned, upon condition that the work be done to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that the applicant be informed that the consent of the Whitechapel District Board to the erection of the Bridge must also be obtained.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Breeze, on behalf of the Manufacturers and Mill-owners' Mutual Aid Association, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected in Palmer-street, Westminster, be granted, for a period of One year from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

7. Read a Report, as*follows—

16th April, 1886.

I have to report with reference to the Resolution of the Board of the 5th ultimo (No. 15), which further adjourned the consideration of the Report of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee for six weeks, and which directed that Vestries and District Boards should be asked to express their opinions upon the suggestions made in the Report, that up to the present time communications expressing views have been received from the following 19 Vestries and District Boards—

St. James', Westminster,	Kensington,
St. Saviour's,	Lambeth,
Limehouse	Plumstead,
Chelsea,	Poplar,
St George, Hanover-square,	Paddington,
Greenwich,	St. Pancras,
Fulham,	Lewisham,
Holborn,	Westminster,
Marylebone,	Newington,
	St. Giles.

The views of 19 out of 38 Vestries and District Boards on the subject are now in the possession of the Board, and these stand referred for report to the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, by the Resolution of the Board already referred to. As many of the Letters have only been received within the past few days, the Committee have had no opportunity of considering them, and as the Board will probably desire that the Committee's Report should deal with all the replies that may be received, perhaps the Board will adjourn the consideration of the subject until the Committee are in a position to submit their Report.

(Signed) J. E. WAKEFIELD,

Clerk of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Wetenhall, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the consideration of the subject be adjourned accordingly

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th April, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Materials.	
BERMONDSEY.				
Larnaca-street	290 100	12-inch 9 "	pipe "	Recommended as applied for.
...				
...				
ISLINGTON.				
Horsell - road, Nelson's - place, and Highbury-crescent West, Highbury-gardens Estate	586 130 450	3' 9" × 2' 6" 15-inch 12 "	brick pipe "	Recommended as applied for.
...				

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th April, 1886, on applications from the following Vestries, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of Applications	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
CLERKENWELL.					
1886. 9th April,	St. James'-walk, Clerkenwell-green	Re-paving	2 weeks	2 weeks	Woodbridge, &c., Streets.
CHELSEA.					
14th ,,	Oakley-street (in four sections)	Paving	7 weeks	7 weeks	Manor, &c., Streets.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestries, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 13th April, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, applying for permission to break up the brick Sewer in Charles-street, Old Gravel-lane, and to substitute a 9-inch pipe for the same as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application; stating that the work was requisite for the purpose of forming a Subway from the Workhouse building, on the North side, to the building on the South side of the street, as shown on the Plan, and recommending that the Board's sanction should be given to the application, upon condition that the pipe be 12 inches (instead of 9 inches) in diameter, and that the Sewer in Old Gravel-lane, by Charles-street, be connected with the Low Level Sewer, and all existing drains properly connected, to the satisfaction of the proper Officers of the Board, and as they might require.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the application be granted, on the conditions recommended.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th April, 1886, on Letters from the Directors of the Alexandra Hotel Company, applying for permission to connect a well upon their premises at Hyde-park-corner, with the new Ranelagh and King's Scholars' Pond Sewers Storm Relief Line; stating that the Directors alleged that the well collected a land spring which ran under the Hotel, and that it was in no way connected with the drainage of that building, and they therefore asked permission to connect the well (by means of a pipe) with the Relief line, instead of as at present, pumping its contents almost daily into the house drains connected with the common Sewer, further stating that he (the Engineer) was not prepared to recommend the Board to grant the application, as the pipe drain might ultimately be used for discharging the house drainage into the Relief line (which was only designed for taking storm waters), and thus directly into the River at the outlet West of Chelsea Bridge.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the application be not granted.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. W. Jacomb, Engineer to the London and South-Western Railway Company, submitting for approval an amended design for the elevation of the Bridge to carry the proposed widened line over Lambeth-road; stating that the design did not appear to him (the Engineer) to be satisfactory, and that he had prepared a modification of it marked "B," which he submitted, and recommending that the Company should be required to execute the work in accordance therewith, and to his satisfaction.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th April, 1886, stating that 500 gallons of Olive oil were required for use at the Crossness Pumping Station at a cost of £75.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Report be approved, and that the Oil be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th April, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contract—

				ESTIMATE.		
<i>Crossness Pumping Station.</i>				£	s.	d.
Repairs to the 4-inch gas main	...	...	...	50	0	0
<i>Falcon Pumping Station, Battersea.</i>						
Repairs to the Engine-house and the four dwelling-houses ad- joining it	...	...	...	30	0	0
<i>Mill-lane, Deptford.</i>						
Re-constructing side-entrance to the main Sewer to suit the widening of the road-way	...	...	...	30	0	0
Total	...	...	...	£110	0	0

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th April, 1886, stating that, on the 12th instant, a man, whilst leaning against the Eastern parapet of the temporary Bridge at Hammersmith, watching the works of the adjacent permanent structure, had been crushed by a passing van, and that he had been taken to a Hospital, and had since died.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th April, 1886, on a Letter from Messrs. White, Berry and Taylor, on behalf of His Grace the Duke of Westminster, applying for permission to temporarily close Providence-court, leading from North Audley-street to George-street, Grosvenor-square, to facilitate the removal of old buildings; stating that the applicants alleged that it would be dangerous to keep the Court open during the removal of the buildings, and that the Surveyor to the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, had recommended the closing of it; referring to the Section of the Act under which the Board granted permission to close streets; and stating that he (the Engineer) was not aware that the Board had power to sanction the closing of streets, by any other persons or public bodies than those referred to in the Section; and recommending that the application should be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to deal with it, and that the Solicitor should report to the Committee, at their next meeting, as to the Board's powers in the matter.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Report be approved; that it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto; and that the Solicitor do report to the Committee on the question at their next meeting.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Blaikie, United Telephone Company, applying for permission to run a wire in a covered tube, or otherwise, along the temporary Bridge at Hammersmith, for the convenience of

the Company's subscribers; stating that, on the 24th ultimo (No. 4), the Bridges Committee had under consideration an application from the Company for permission to erect two wooden poles on the West side of the temporary Bridge, and to run their wire across the Bridge, when, having regard to the circumstance that the existing structure was only a temporary one, which would shortly have to be removed, it was decided not to accede to the Company's request; further stating that the same objection applied in the present case, that the permanent Bridge was being re-built upon the suspension principle, and would consequently be subjected to considerable vibration, and that as it was competent for the Company to lay their wire under the bed of the River in an iron tube, recommending that the application should not be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the Report be approved, and that the application be not granted.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Urquhart, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the application be referred to the Bridges Committee, for consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an original motion, it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

18. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill was still awaiting appointment to a Select Committee of the House of Commons, and that it would probably be appointed soon after the Easter recess.
19. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been further adjourned until the 14th May; and that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill had been deferred until the 21st May.
20. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill, introduced by Mr. Dixon-Hartland, had been further adjourned until the 19th May.
21. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to consider the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill (Mr. Arthur O'Connor), and the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill (No. 2) (Mr. Burt), had met on Friday and Tuesday last, and would meet again this day.
22. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill (introduced by Mr. Kimber and Mr. Vanderbyl) has been appointed for the 4th May next.
23. Read a Report, as follows—

April 16th, 1886.

HYDE-PARK-CORNER (NEW STREETS) BILL.

I have to report to the Board that the Select Committee of the House of Commons, consisting of Members appointed by the House and by the Committee of Selection, had this Bill under consideration on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 13th and 14th instant. The Bill proposed to leave it to the Board to determine as Arbitrators whether the new streets formed out of the Green-park at Hyde-park-corner should be wholly or partially under the management of the Board, the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, or some or one of them, and as to the mode in which the cost of maintenance of the streets should be defrayed.

Petitions in opposition were presented by the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, and the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and the Board presented a Petition against alteration.

The Vestries appeared by Counsel, and the Committee at the opening of the proceedings announced that it would be not be satisfactory for them to proceed unless the Board was represented, and accordingly I instructed Counsel to appear on behalf of the Board. The practical question discussed before the Committee was whether the roads should be maintained at the expense of the Crown, the Board, or of the two Vestries, and in what proportions. The Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee gave evidence on behalf of the Board,

and urged that the Board having contributed £20,000 towards the improvement ought not to be asked to pay anything for the maintenance of the roads. He pointed out that in all cases where the Board opened new Metropolitan thoroughfares the maintenance, paving and lighting of the new thoroughfare was invariably imposed by the Act of Parliament upon the Vestries and District Boards, and it was not suggested by any of the opponents to the Bill that any exception could be pointed out to this rule except in the case of the Bridges where, the Board being owners of the structure, it was obviously desirable that they should repair the roads; and the case of the Victoria Embankment which, although originally vested in some 4 or 5 local bodies, was by Act of Parliament devested from such bodies and vested in the Board. It was pointed out by one of the members of the Committee that there was similarity between these new streets and the Victoria Embankment, inasmuch as in neither case could any ratable value be obtained as no buildings could be erected. It was also pointed out that the roads in question were remote from the parts of St. Martin's Parish which contributed to the rates.

I may mention that the Surveyor to St. George, Hanover-square, estimated the cost of maintenance of the roads at about £1,200 per annum.

In conclusion, I may state that after clearing the room for some time, the Committee announced in effect that the roads should be maintained by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and that they should become by virtue of the Act a portion of the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, and that the Metropolitan Board should from time to time contribute to the Vestry a sum equal to one moiety of the cost of maintenance. In the result therefore, the whole cost will be divided equally between St. George, Hanover-square and the Board and the Vestry of St. Martin's will contribute nothing. The Board may perhaps wish to refer this Report to the Parliamentary Committee for information.

(Signed) R. WARD,
Solicitor.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, and seconded by Mr. Phillips—That the Report be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

After discussion the motion was put to the vote, when there were for it 33, against it 2, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

24. The Solicitor reported with respect to the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 1) Bill (Lord Rayleigh), the Electric Lighting Act (1882) (No. 2) Bill (Lord Ashford), and the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 3) Bill (Lord Houghton), that the undermentioned Peers had been appointed on the Select Committee—

Earl Cowper,
Earl Camperdown,
Lord Ashford,
Lord Balfour of Burley,
Lord Rayleigh,

Lord Wigan,
Lord Methuen,
Lord Houghton,
Lord Lingen,
Lord Bramwell.
Lord Wolverton,

and that the Committee had met yesterday, and appointed Earl Camperdown their Chairman.

25. The Solicitor reported that the Smoke Nuisance Abatement (Metropolis) Bill was still awaiting second reading in the House of Lords.
26. The Solicitor reported that the second reading in the House of Commons of the Compulsory Purchase of Land Compensation Bill, had been adjourned until the 12th May next.
27. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee on the River Lee had resumed their sittings on Friday and Tuesday last, and that the following further witnesses had been examined—

Dr. Henry John Buck, Medical Practitioner, Hackney;
Dr. Frederick William East, Medical Practitioner, Clapton;
Mr. Thomas Vere Nicoll, Surgeon, North Hackney;
Sir J. W. Bazalgette, C.B.; and
Lieut.-Col. A. S. Jones, C.E., Consulting Engineer for Sewage disposal to the Borough of Wrexham;

and he presented a printed copy of the evidence taken on the two days, and reported that the Committee would meet again this day.

28. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

29. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Ritchie, M.P., had asked a question in the House of Commons as to the construction, by the Board, of a Thames Subway at Shadwell, to which the Chairman had replied and explained the steps which the Board were taking.

30. The Solicitor reported that notice had been given in the House of Commons of the following question by Sir Guyer Hunter—

Sir Guyer Hunter—To ask the Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of whether his attention has been called to the serious accidents which are frequently occurring through the defective and dangerous condition of the Tramway metals in the London streets.

And, whether the time has not arrived when some responsible officer should be charged with the duty of frequently inspecting the numerous Tramway routes in the Metropolis.

31. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £100,000 to the School Board for London, and he suggested that this Board should draw a Cheque for the amount, and also a Cheque for £125 for Stamp-duty, in order to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £100,000 be now drawn in favour of the School Board for London, and also a Cheque for £125 for Stamp-duty on the Mortgage Deed; and Cheques were drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund and the General Working Account accordingly.

32. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period proposed for the re-payment of the Loan of £10,000 to the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, and a Cheque for £12 10s. for Stamp-duty, to enable him to complete the matter.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Saint George, Hanover-square, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry under the first mentioned Act within the said Parish of a sum of Ten thousand pounds for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said Vestry in executing certain wood paving works in Buckingham-palace-road (from Grosvenor Hotel to Ebury Bridge), Pimlico-road, Wilton-road, Conduit-street, Half-moon-street, Queen-street, (May-fair) and in part of Curzon-street (from Half-moon-street to Queen-street) all within the said Parish. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Ten thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given to the borrowing by the said Vestry under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Ten thousand pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest

at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as *may* be within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £10,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and also a Cheque for £12 10s. for Stamp-duty; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital and General Working Accounts accordingly.

33. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Contract with Mr. W. Stubbs, for the formation of carriage and footways, alterations of roads, and other works in connection therewith (South Lambeth Improvement).

Memorial for the registration of the Conveyance by the Board to the East-end Dwellings Company of a site for Artizans' Dwellings, situated in George-street and Thrawle-street, Spitalfields (Flower and Dean-street scheme).

License, in duplicate, to Mr. J. T. Leader, to build over a portion of the Putney to Clapham Relief Sewer in St. John's-road, Putney, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Works and General Purposes Committee of the 29th March last (No. 27).

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

34. Read a Report, as follows—

16th April, 1886.

EAST LONDON WATER BILL.

This Bill has passed the Select Committee presided over by Lord Claud Hamilton, and the powers sought by the Company have been granted subject however to the important condition that a proviso should be added to the effect that although the Debenture Stock is to be issued at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. yet it shall be assumed to carry interest equal to the average percentage of dividend and interest on the whole capital of the Company, and that the difference between the $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. and such average rate of interest shall form a sinking fund to be applied at a future time to the purchase of the undertaking or to extinguishing the share capital of the Company.

(Signed) R. WARD,
Solicitor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received.

35. Read a Report, as follows—

16th April, 1886.

LONDON, CHATHAM AND DOVER RAILWAY.

This is a Bill for extending for two years the period for the Company to execute their Railway, for which a good deal of property has been acquired by the Company, and is as I understand in an unsatisfactory condition. Mr. Bristow, the Vestry Clerk of Greenwich, suggests that the Board should petition the Lords, and the last day for that purpose is next Monday. I believe the Vestry of Greenwich will not petition, and I see no ground upon which the Board could successfully resist the application of the Company for further time, and I may add that as to the condition of the buildings belonging to the Company, the Company is not in my opinion exempt from the general law. I do not, therefore, advise the Board to petition, and I will ask the Board to approve this course.

(Signed) R. WARD,
Solicitor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

36. The Solicitor reported that the Fire Prevention (Metropolis) Bill, which had been introduced by Mr. Howard Spensley, Colonel Duncan, Mr. Spicer, and Mr. Isaacs, and read a first time in the House of Commons on Wednesday last, was appointed for second reading on the 6th May next, and that he had not yet received a copy of the Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a copy of the Bill be sent to each Member of the Board.

37. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 9th instant (No. 4), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Cornbury-street, St. Paul, Deptford	...	...	...	Greenwich.
St. Mark's-road, &c.	...	...	...	Kensington.
Orbel-street, &c., Battersea	...	...	...	} Wandsworth.
Culvert-road, &c., Do.	...	...	...	
Edna-street, &c., Do.	...	...	...	
Henning-street, Do.	...	...	...	
Edward-street	...	...	...	Camberwell.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

38. The Clerk presented a Report, dated 16th April, 1886, stating that Mr. H. F. Moore, one of the Assistants in his Department, was still absent in consequence of illness; submitting a Medical Certificate as to his present condition of health, and stating that Mr. Moore was now on a fair way to recovery, and that he hoped that soon after Easter he would be able to resume his duties.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Report be received.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. McLachlan, District Surveyor for the Western Division of the City of London, dated 10th April, 1886, calling attention to the erection of warehouses at Nos. 51 and 52, Aldersgate-street, and the adjoining site, with excess of cubical contents, and without party-wall divisions, and in other respects contrary to the Building Act, 1855, and asking, in the event of the Board wishing him to take proceedings, that they would grant him legal assistance in doing so.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto, and that the Superintending Architect and the Solicitor do report to the Committee thereon.

40. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Thompson, C.E., dated 12th April, 1886, again asking for compensation in respect of Plans which he submitted to the Commissioners of Sewers in the year 1849, and which he alleged had been utilised by the Board in carrying out the Main Drainage and Embankment Schemes.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Thompson be informed that the Board adhere to the terms of the communication already made to him on the subject.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 12th April, 1886, transmitting a Letter from the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association, calling attention to an alleged breach of the Disused Burial-grounds Act, 1884, by the erection of an Infant School on a portion of the disused Burial-ground of Christ-church, in Blackfriars-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Solicitor do report to the Committee thereon.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. L. Pemberton, Home Office, dated 12th April, 1886, referring to previous correspondence on the subject of the widening of

Gray's-inn-road ; calling attention to the congestion of traffic in the narrow portion of the thoroughfare, between the Town-hall and Elm-street, the widening of which should be postponed, as little as possible ; and expressing the opinion of the Home Secretary that, as the work could not be executed until Artizans' Dwellings had been erected on the sites marked Green on the Plan accompanying the Letter, it would be desirable to dispose of the property in question at as early a date as possible, with a view to the erection of Artizans' Dwellings thereon, and the consequent possibility of the widening of Gray's-inn-road being completed before the power of the Board to execute the work expired in August, 1887.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. H. Church, dated 13th April, 1886, stating that he had received instructions from the authorities of Queen's College, Oxford, to take steps for letting on building lease, or otherwise, to dispose of a piece of ground skirting Bostall-heath, on the North side, and asking whether the Board would be disposed to negotiate for the purchase of the ground, for the purpose of adding it to the Heath.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

44. The Clerk presented a Notice from the New River Company, dated 13th April, 1886, that they would, on and after the 14th day of August and 14th day of December next, give a constant supply of Water in certain districts or areas in the Parish of St. Pancras, described in such Notice.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Notice be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. S. C. Legg, Hon. Secretary of the Association of Public Sanitary Inspectors, dated 12th April, 1886, asking the Board to grant the Association permission to view the Sewage works at Crossness on some Saturday in June or July next.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

46. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Wollheim, dated 12th April, 1886, asking whether the Board had received from the Government Laboratory, Somerset House, the Report on the analysis of the samples of his Sewage experiments, and if so, that he might be supplied with a copy of the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington.

Offices, Town-hall,

Kensington High-street, W.,

12th April, 1886

SIR,—I am instructed by the Vestry of Kensington to request the sanction of the Metropolitan Board of Works to the Vestry borrowing the sum of Five thousand six hundred and fifty pounds (£5,650) for defraying the cost of the undermentioned works ; and further that the Board will be pleased to advance the amount on the security of the General Rate of the Parish, and spread the re-payment over a period of seven years.

Brompton-road—

For re-laying with wood the carriage-way of Brompton-road...	...	£4,600
Carried forward	... ..	£4,60

16 April, 1886.

Brought forward	...	...	...	...	£4,600
Kensington-road (Railway Bridge)—					
For paving with wood the carriage-way of Kensington-road ..				...	696
Silver-street and Church-street—					
For paving with wood the said carriage-ways—Expenditure in excess					
of Loan	...	..	...	...	...
					354
					£5,650

I am, &c.,
(Signed) GEO. C. HARDING,
Clerk to the Vestry.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant, do report to the Committee thereon.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead.

Vestry-hall, Hampstead, N.W.,
13th April, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am desired by the Vestry of this Parish to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works for permission to borrow a Loan of £1,400, being the estimated cost of carrying out certain Sewerage works in various parts of the Parish.

I am also instructed to state that, in the event of such permission being granted, the Vestry will be glad to learn that the Metropolitan Board of Works will be willing to advance the Loan upon the security of the Rates made for the purposes of the Metropolis Local Management Act, and to be re-payable over as long a period as can be granted.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. G. Bowen, Deputy Chief Accountant, Bank of England, dated 13th April, 1886, stating in reply to the Board's Letter, that the Bank had paid to the credit of the Board, with the London and Westminster Bank, the sums of £287 12s. 1d., and £66 4s. being unclaimed dividends on Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, and transmitting a Power of Attorney for enabling the London and Westminster Bank to draw the dividends on "The Unclaimed Stock Account," to which Account had been transferred a sum of £819 5s. 3d., Three and a half per Cent. Stock.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for their information, and that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the Power of Attorney transmitted with the Letter; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Sharp and Co., Limited, dated 14th April, 1886, asking for an opportunity to confer with the Board as to the adoption of a system of ventilation for the Sewers at Bow, and stating that they would be prepared to lay full particulars before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee.

51. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Johnson, Clapham, and Morris, dated 14th April, 1886, asking permission to make a public trial of their Patent Wire Lathing on one of the Board's vacant plots of land, and asking the Board to appoint a suitable person to conduct the trial.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

52. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Marchant, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Paul, Deptford, dated 14th April, 1886, asking the Board to receive a Deputation from the Vestry in favour of the construction of a Subway under the River Thames, between Deptford and Millwall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Deputation be received by the Board on the 7th May next, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

53. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Wandsworth and Clapham Union.

Guardian's Offices, St. John's-hill,

New Wandsworth, S.W.,

15th April, 1886.

LOAN £3,500.

Sir,—Adverting to my Letter, dated 15th January, I beg to inform you that the Guardians have now decided to borrow the sum of £3,500 (referred to therein) for the erection of a Dispensary and Relief Station, for the Parish of Battersea.

I am directed to ask if your Board will be willing to advance this sum, and if so, upon what terms.

Yours, &c.,

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,

(Signed) E. H. TAYLOR,

Metropolitan Board of Works,

Clerk.

Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

54. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. H. Linscott, dated 15th April, 1886, stating, in reply to the Board's Letter declining to admit any liability for his claims for compensation for alleged damage done to his oven and goods in the execution of the Board's works in Shaftesbury-avenue, that he would take legal proceedings in the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

55. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Rosaire, dated 15th April, 1886, stating that he understood that Mr. Wells' Band would not perform in Finsbury-park on Easter Monday, and asking that the Board's permission might be given to him for the ensuing season, or for Easter Monday and Tuesday next, or that should Mr. Wells decide to carry on his Band, he (Mr. Rosaire) might be permitted to place a Band in the Park on some other evening in the week.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

56. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 13th instant, as follows —

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.5	16.7	17.1	10.8	8.6	9.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	None
	Camden	17.2	15.8	16.6	15.4	10.3	12.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	"
	Dalston	16.6	16.1	16.4	11.0	7.4	9.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow	17.2	16.7	16.9	11.3	7.3	9.7	1.0	0.0	0.6	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	16.5	16.0	16.2	12.9	11.9	12.4	0.5	0.1	0.3	"
	(Nine-elms)	16.4	16.2	16.3	12.7	10.7	11.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	Kingsland-road	17.3	16.4	16.8	13.7	9.4	11.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross	17.1	16.5	16.9	15.1	9.8	12.4	0.6	0.3	0.5	"
	St. John's-wood	17.0	16.4	16.6	14.5	11.6	12.9	0.8	0.2	0.5	"
	Lambeth-road	16.2	15.5	15.9	11.7	11.7	11.7	...	...	...	...
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	Station closed for repairs									
	Peckham	17.1	16.2	16.6	12.3	6.1	9.3	0.8	0.0	0.4	"
	Tooley-street... ..	17.3	16.1	16.5	11.8	6.6	9.1	1.2	0.0	0.3	"
	Clapham	17.0	16.4	16.7	14.8	10.7	12.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Lewisham	16.8	16.0	16.4	9.2	6.4	8.3	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford	17.2	16.9	17.1	8.3	6.8	7.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East	17.0	15.8	16.4	15.0	9.9	12.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in St. Charles-square, Notting-hill, on the 13th inst., at 9 p.m., was 3.9 inches.

The pressure of the Gas as supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Upper Baker-street, on the 8th instant, at 8.30 p.m., was 2.3 inches.

The pressure of the Gas as supplied by the Commercial Gas Company, as tested at Ratcliffe-cross, on the 7th instant, at 8.30 p.m., was 2.1 inches.

57. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. T. Allen, on behalf of the Rev. H. Wells, for the consent of the Board to the erection of St. Bartholomew's Church, in Barkworth-road, Rotherhithe-new-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the Church therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

58. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Sinnott, on behalf of Mr. Siggins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of cottages on the North-East side of Harrington-hill, Mount-plesant-hill, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

59. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. Armstrong, on behalf of Mr. R. Benyon, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch to a Mission-hall on the West side of Hertford-road, De Beauvoir-square, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the porch therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, enclosed, altered, or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 60. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. E. Sears, on behalf of Mr. H. J. Kimbell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 381, Hornsey-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 61. LEWISHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Watkins, on behalf of Mr. C. Wilson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shop fronts to Nos. 120, 122, 124, 126 and 128, Beckenham-road, Penge, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 62. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Bulman and Dales, on behalf of the Hon. Mrs. Herbert, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a balcony in front of No. 27, Charles-street, Berkeley-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the balcony therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 63. BETHNAL-GREEN.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Rinder and Morgan, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron building at the Factory in Lyte-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 64. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. Pearson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood, iron and glass studio, at the rear of No. 97, Asylum-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 65. HOLBORN.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Wilson, on behalf of Mr. J. Ogden, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the warehouse at Great Saffron-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 66. LIMEHOUSE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of the Managers of the Darby-street Schools for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron building in Cooper's-row, Upper East Smithfield.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 67. NEWINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Lambert, on behalf of Messrs. Tarn and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the construction of a temporary wood and

iron building recently erected upon land at the rear of houses in Meadow-row, New Kent-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

68. **ROTHERHITHE**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. Chafen, on behalf of Messrs. Dolton and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an open iron shed at Russia Wharf, in Plough-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

69. **ST. MARYLEBONE**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of Mr. J. Y. Carrington, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron studio at the rear of No. 3, Hill-road, St. John's-wood.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

70. **WANDSWORTH**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of Mr. R. A. Valpy, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary iron building at Christ Church Schools, in Falcon-grove, Battersea.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

71. **CHELSEA AND ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. A. Hunt, on behalf of Lord Cadogan, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of streets to lead out of Sloane-square.

It was *moved* by Mr. Webster, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

72. **HACKNEY**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction of two blocks of water closets and urinals, and two open play-sheds at the Schools in Hindle-street, Shacklewell.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

73. **WANDSWORTH**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. H. J. Hansom, District Surveyor, relative to the alleged irregular erection of a temporary wooden and canvas booth, on ground at the rear of Nos. 24, 26 and 28, York-road, Battersea.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto; and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

74. **CLERKENWELL**.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Carter, Paterson and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of warehouse buildings at the rear of premises in Goswell-road, with cubical contents in excess of the limit prescribed by the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 75.** Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, District Surveyor for the Districts of the Northern Division of the City of London, and St. Anne, Limehouse, St. John, Wapping, the Precinct of St. Katharine, and the Hamlet of Ratcliff, for the consent of the Board to the appointment by him of Mr. Frederic Hammond, District Surveyor, as his Deputy, from the 19th instant until the 3rd of May next.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, and that this Board do consent to the appointment by Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, of Mr. Frederic Hammond, District Surveyor, as his Deputy, and for the performance of the duties of District Surveyor in the Districts of the Northern Division of the City of London, and St. Anne, Limehouse, St. John, Wapping, the Precinct of St. Katharine, and the Hamlet of Ratcliff, from the 19th instant until the 3rd May next.

- 76. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. Chafen, on behalf of the Manganese Bronze and Brass Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at St. George's Wharf, Commercial-dock-passage, Deptford.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 77. WESTMINSTER.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Dru Drury, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in certifying that a chimney-breast in the party-wall of No. 59, Tufton-street, might be cut away.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Ten shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

- 78. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, a License and Plan, in respect of the temporary Mission-room erected on the East side of Cornwall-road, Brixton-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License and Plan, in duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

- 79.** Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th April, 1886, stating that Mr. E. H. Wilkinson, a Second-class Clerk in the Dangerous Structures Branch of his Department, was still unable to attend to his duties in consequence of illness.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That one month's leave of absence be granted to Mr. Wilkinson, and that the Superintending Architect do report again at the expiration of that period.

Adjourned until Wednesday next, the 21st instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 16

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Wednesday**, the **21st** day of **April**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

GEORGE JAMES, ESQ.	FREDERICK COX, ESQ.	ALFRED EWIN, ESQ.
JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.	CHARLES MOSSOP, ESQ.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN,
WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY,	ALFRED POCOCK, ESQ.	ESQ.
ESQ.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR-	JOHN JONES, ESQ.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR-	CLOUGH, ESQ.	JOHN LENANTON, ESQ.
RETT, ESQ.	BENJAMIN WEIR, ESQ.	SAMUEL PRICE, ESQ.
THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-	ROBERT FURNISS, ESQ.	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT,
LIAMS, ESQ.	ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, ESQ.	ESQ.
FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER,	THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL,	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, ESQ.
ESQ.	ESQ.	JOHN BONTHRON, ESQ.
JOHN ABBOTT, ESQ.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS,	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.
JOHN TOLHURST, ESQ.	ESQ.	JOHN REDDISH, ESQ.
JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD,	GEORGE HILL, ESQ.	GEORGE BROWN, ESQ.
ESQ.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-	ANDREW CAMERON, ESQ.	ESQ., DEPUTY.
HALL, ESQ.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH-	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER,
GEORGE EDWARDS, ESQ.	ARDSON, ESQ.	ESQ.
EDWIN LAWRENCE, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBSON, ESQ.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, ESQ.

1. The Chairman stated that, in consequence of the Board Meeting being held this day, instead of Friday next, the Minutes of the last Meeting could not be completed in time for signature.

2. Captain Wenborn handed in a Letter, as follows—

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch.

Vestry Offices,
Town-hall, Old-street, E.C.,
21st April, 1886.

SIR,—I am directed by this Vestry to submit to the Metropolitan Board a proposed Improvement in the important thoroughfare of the Hackney-road, which can now be effected as the premises are in course of re-building.

The Vestry has obtained the Report of Mr. Samuel Walker, who considers that the surrender of about 180 feet super., including damage to the remainder and severance, ought to be obtained for £260. The owner has conditionally agreed to accept this sum, the Vestry paying his Surveyor £10 10s.

21 April, 1886.

The Vestry has agreed to make this conditional offer subject to the Board contributing one-half, or say not exceeding £150, and I am to ask to this the Board's favourable consideration.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) E. WALKER,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

It was ~~moved~~ by Captain Wenborn, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 20th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

SOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 3rd April, 1886	...	...	...	...	£25,585	6	5		
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day					352,106	5	1		
								£377,691	11 6
Payments since 3rd April, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	202,023	9 6
Balance on 17th April, 1886	...	{ viz : Cash Balance at Bank		...	£178,128	7	7		
				Less cheques not presented	2,460	5	7		
									175,668 2 -
ES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—									
Balance on 3rd April, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	£634	14	8	
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	...	...	5,267	19	2	
								£5,902	13 10
Payments since 3rd April, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,516	16 1
Balance on 17th April, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		1,385 17 9
Cash Balances on 17th April, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		<u>£177,053 19 9</u>

Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.

of Accounts.	Balances, 3rd April, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.				Balances, 17th April, 1886.		Cheques drawn but not issued.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.			At Debit.	At Credit.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Accounts—									
l ...	28,427 1 2	...	1,180 6 -	10,766 2 -	38,012 17 2	...	241 12 9		
rigade ...	20,536 1 -	...	3,528 9 7	3,457 4 5	20,464 15 10	...	...		
s ...	...	6,794 14 6	9 6 -	399 19 1	...	6,404 1 5	15 5 9		
Accounts—									
l ...	...	459,235 4 8	299,666 13 4	51,647 13 2	...	707,254 4 10	39,000 - -		
rigade ...	2,569 16 5	...	...	2,774 15 1	5,344 11 6	...	...		
s (Act of 1877)	29 7 6	...	...	7,709 15 1	7,724 2 7	...	...		
s (Act of 1881)	20,705 13 3	...	83 5 -	135 2 10	20,757 11 1	...	1,599 13 -		
s (Act of 1883)	5,016 - 3	...	...	1,635 17 8	6,651 17 11	...	9 6 1		
ch Ferry (1885)	...	...	...	- 9 6	- 9 6	...	367 11 -		
Drainage and	32,152 6 4	...	...	774 10 6	32,926 16 10	...	867 17 -		
sewers ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
and Open	134 15 -	...	...	16 19 2	151 14 2	...	...		
es ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
ry Fields ...	60,407 2 6	...	30,000 - -	3 - 3	30,410 2 9	...	307 5 -		
(Act of 1872)...	978 17 8	...	...	9 13 4	988 11 -	...	...		
(Act of 1877)...	55,256 7 3	...	...	3,895 16 7	59,167 3 10	...	19,112 14 9		
street Exten-	6 4 -	...	...	...	6 4 -	...	40 - -		
(Act of 1882) {	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
(Act of 1883)...	65,123 1 1	...	...	7,479 9 3	72,602 10 4	...	9,750 8 4		
(Act of 1884)...	2,895 9 7	...	...	23 14 4	2,919 3 11	...	...		
(Act of 1885)...	8 2 6	...	...	...	8 2 6	...	...		
Street ...	...	134 12 7	10 16 8	...	...	145 9 3	...		
tead Im-	47,348 16 2	...	318 16 6	2,069 19 5	49,099 19 1	...	6,783 - 3		
ments ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Improvement...	942 18 7	...	11 4 7	2,405 3 -	3,336 17 -	...	1,659 3 10		
s Floods Pre-	364 4 8	...	...	77 10 3	441 14 11	...	...		
m ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
reous—									
ing House Im-	2,199 11 5	...	3,963 5 2	6,260 3 8	4,496 9 11	...	4,220 15 2		
ment Fund...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
dated Loans	95,617 6 6	...	13,307 14 5	100,408 - 3	182,717 12 4	...	6,067 16 4		
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
s Savings	...	139 17 6	26 7 10	72 10 8	...	93 14 8	...		
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
	440,719 2 10	466,304 9 3	352,106 5 1	202,023 9 6	538,229 8 2	713,897 10 2	90,042 9 3		
	£25,585 6 5				£175,668 2 -				

INVESTMENTS.

IREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND £3,120 8 5 ... Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 5th to 17th April, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Assessments—											
Inner Temple	...	...	...	...	...	£354	-	-			
Lincoln's-inn	...	...	...	...	...	18	-	-			
									372	-	-
Supplemental assessments, <i>re</i> Government property—											
St. Saviour's District	...	...	...	...	...				5	9	8
Fees—											
<i>Re</i> Construction of buildings (Building Act)	...				...	£6	-	-			
„ Dangerous structures			„	...	...	379	16	2			
„ Gas-meter testing	...	...	...	...	...	30	5	-			
„ Petroleum	...	...	...	...	...	24	15	-			
„ Explosives	...	...	...	...	...	4	7	-			
									445	3	2
Fine—											
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	...	...	...	...	...				10	-	-
Costs recovered—											
<i>Re</i> Loans	...	...	...	...	...	£247	15	6			
Law-costs, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	4	12	4			
									252	7	10
Proceeds of sales of carcases—											
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	...	...	...	...	...				17	3	-
Plans, &c., sold	...	...	...	...	...				29	9	6
Contribution to wages of subway inspector	...	...	...	...	...				46	16	-
Drain-junctions to main sewers	...	...	...	...	...				1	16	10
											1,180 6 -
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.											
Contributions from insurance companies	...	...	...	...	...	3,393	17	7			
Contributions from men towards rent	...	...	...	...	...	103	12	6			
Chimney-fire penalties	...	...	...	...	...	20	19	6			
Subscription for telegraphic communication	...	...	...	...	...	10	-	-			
									3,528	9	7
BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...				9	6	-
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.											
Treasury Bills matured	...	...	...	...	...	99,666	13	4			
Temporary loan	...	...	...	...	...	200,000	-	-			
									299,666	13	4
BRIDGES (ACT OF 1881).											
Sales—											
Putney-bridge (old materials)	...	...	...	...	...				83	5	-
Highbury Fields.											
Contribution from Vestry of St. Mary, Islington	...	...	...	...	...				30,000	-	
Carried forward	...	...	...	...	...				£334,467	19	11

									s. d.	£	s. d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	334,467	19 11

APPOLD STREET.

Rent...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	10 16 8
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HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.

Sales (old materials)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	311 14 -
Rent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7 2 6
									<u>318 16 6</u>

POPLAR IMPROVEMENT.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11 4 7
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DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44 8 10
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Sales—

Goulston-street	...	...	...	...	...	£3,654	-	-
Brook-street (old materials)	...	...	...	...	...	226	5 6	
						<u>3,880</u>	5 6	

Interest, *re* Sales—

Goulston-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38 10 10
								<u>3,963 5</u>

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Rent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,698 10 5
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Loans—

Interest	...	...	...	...	...	£2,636	4 7
Repayments	...	...	...	...	...	1,652	14 4
						<u>4,288</u>	18 11

Sales—

Kentish-town-road	...	...	...	...	...	£1,300	-	-
Southwark-bridge-road (old materials)	...	...	...	...	...	26	10 9	
South Lambeth-road	..	...	...	...	...	7	8 -	
						<u>1,333</u>	18 9	

Interest, *re* sales—

Kentish-town-road	...	...	...	...	...	...	2 4 10
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Return of unclaimed dividends on Metropolitan Consolidated Stock	...	353 16 1
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Discount <i>re</i> Treasury bills	...	...	...	...	...	333 6 8
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Interest from the Vestry of St. Mary, Islington, in respect of Highbury-fields	...	..	...	...	...	...	296 6 1
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Thames Floods Prevention Works—

Interest and repayment	...	...	...	...	...	...	- 12 8
							<u>13,307 14 5</u>

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND.

One-quarter's dividend on £3,120 8s. 5d. Metropolitan Consolidated 3½ per cent. Stock	...	...	...	...	...	...	26 7 10
							<u>£352,106 5 1</u>

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £99,172 3s. 7d., be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 6th July, 1883 (No. 8), your Committee have had before them a Statement of the Salaries which will become payable to the Board's Officers on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £2,945 16s. 8d., which Statement has been approved by your Committee; and they beg to submit the same, and to recommend—

That the Board do pass an Order authorising the Treasurer to pay the several amounts on or after the 22nd instant.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, requesting payment of the Board's contribution towards the cost of the Weston-street Improvement, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 3). The Board on the 22nd May, 1885 (No. 8), agreed to contribute one-half of the net cost, not exceeding £270, of the widening of Weston-street, on the usual Certificate of their Officers. Your Superintending Architect and your Accountant having respectively reported that the works have been satisfactorily completed at a cost of £550, your Committee recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £270 in favour of the Vestry.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of St. Pancras, for permission to borrow, and also for the advance of, a sum of £5,800, referred by the Board on the 26th ultimo (No. 38). The Loan is required towards defraying the cost of certain Local Improvements at Princes-terrace, Mabledon-place, Angler's-lane Woodsome-road, and Kentish-town-road, effected by the Vestry at a total cost of £12,988 19s. 7d., and after crediting the re-couplements and contributions of £5,826 8s. 9d. net. The completion and cost of the several works having been reported upon by your Superintending Architect and your Accountant, and your Committee seeing no objection to the advance, they recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. Pancras, for an advance of a sum of £5,800, towards defraying the cost of certain Improvement works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April within 20 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of Hampstead, for a Loan of a sum of £1,500, referred by the Board on the 8th January last (No. 42). The Guardians have purchased a piece of land for £600, and they propose to erect certain buildings and make alterations at their Workhouse, at a cost of £900. They have obtained the requisite authority to raise the money, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of Hampstead, for a Loan of a sum of £1,500, to purchase land, and for the erection of buildings and alterations at the Workhouse, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within 30 years; that the sum of £5 5s. be charged for Surveyor's Fees; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, for a Loan of a sum of £13,858, referred by the Board

on the 22nd January last (No. 39). The Guardians are making alterations and additions to the Workhouse and Infirmary, at an estimated cost of £11,000, and having a new cooking and heating apparatus and water supply, provided at a probable cost of £2,858, for which they have received the necessary sanction of the Local Government Board. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, for a Loan of a sum of £13,858, to defray the cost of alterations and additions to the Workhouse and Infirmary, and of a new cooking and heating apparatus and water supply, be granted, to the extent of £13,800, on condition that the Loan be taken up, without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April as to £11,000 within 30 years, and as to £2,800 within 10 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 26th February last (No. 53), your Committee have considered the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town, for an advance of a sum of £5,000. The Loan is to defray the cost of providing new Casual Wards, which are being erected at the Workhouse, under an Order of the Local Government Board. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town, for a Loan of a sum of £5,000, to provide new Casual Wards at the Workhouse, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within 20 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of Lambeth, requesting an advance of a sum of £7,000, to defray the cost of making alterations and additions to the Workhouse in Renfrew-road, Kennington, referred by the Board on the 5th ultimo (No. 57). The works are being executed under an Order of the Local Government Board, and your Committee, seeing no objection to the advance, recommend—

That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of Lambeth, for a Loan of a sum of £7,000, towards the cost of making alterations and additions to the Workhouse in Renfrew-road, Kennington, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within 15 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Commissioners of the Poplar Baths and Wash-houses for an advance of a sum of £6,300 to defray the cost of effecting certain alterations and improvements at the Baths, referred by the Board on the 9th instant (No. 47). As the Commissioners appear to have obtained the requisite authority for raising the money, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Commissioners for Public Baths and Wash-houses in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, for a Loan of a sum of £6,300, towards the cost of alterations and improvements at their Baths, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within

20 years ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

In accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 18th December last (No. 45), your Committee have considered the Letter from the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, requesting a further Loan of a sum of £41,612 for the several purposes enumerated in their Letter, comprising drainage and other works at Leavesden Asylum, the execution of works and erection of buildings and alterations at North Wharf, Blackwall, Caterham Asylum, Western Hospital, and West Wharf (Fulham), the construction of a swimming-bath and boathouse off Grays, in connection with the training-ship "Exmouth," the electric lighting of the "Exmouth," and works in connection with the ship "Castalia." Your Engineer and your Superintending Architect have reported fully to your Committee as to the nature and cost of the works, some of which have been already executed, and your Solicitor considering it undesirable that the Board should advance the £2,700 required for the swimming-bath and boathouse, that item has been withdrawn, and £1,664 for the electric lighting has also been omitted. Your Superintending Architect also reports that certain works, the cost of which is included in the sum of £41,612, are not intended to be executed, at all events for the present, and excluding those and making certain other minor reductions the total amount is reduced to £27,324, which is all your Committee are disposed at present to recommend the Board to advance on account of the proposed works, and they therefore recommend—

That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, for a Loan of a sum of £41,612, to defray the cost of certain works of drainage, the erection of and alterations and additions to buildings, electric lighting, and the construction of a floating pier, and other works, be granted to the extent of £27,324, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, as to £17,973 within 30 years, as to £6,408 within 15 years, and as to £2,943 within 10 years, respectively ; that the sum of £52 10s. be charged for Surveyor's Fees ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, asking the Board to accept the immediate re-payment of sums of £4,628 9s. and £4,713 10s., the unexpended balances of Loans in hand, referred by the Board on the 19th February last (No. 35). The sum of £4,628 9s. is part of a Loan of £7,550, granted in January, 1871, at £3 17s. 6d. per centum per annum, and repayable by annual instalments in 59 years. The £4,713 10s. is part of a Loan of £18,200, granted in August, 1880, at £3 15s. per centum per annum, and re-payable by annual instalments in 50 years. Having regard to the loss which the Board would sustain if they accepted the unconditional return of the amounts offered, and to the fact that the Managers are not in a position to re-borrow the amount for a similar period, your Committee are of opinion that it is not [desirable at present to accept re-payment of the money. They therefore recommend—

That the Managers be informed that the Board are not prepared at present to comply with their request.

Your Committee have to report that their attention has been called to the question of the sufficiency of the Board's borrowing powers under the Streets Improvement Act, 1877. It appears that the present limit beyond which the Board may not expend money under that Act is £4,193,507. The expenditure up to the end of 1885 has been £3,898,358, and the power granted for 1886 (£17,000) additional expenditure sanctioned by the Treasury for 1886 (£156,000), and the estimated expenditure in 1887 (£40,000), amount together to £4,111,358, leaving a balance of only £82,149. The Board's Chief Officers have been consulted upon the subject of the sufficiency of that margin to meet the probable future expenditure, and it is thought desirable that further power should be obtained to meet the cost of the acquisition of properties not originally intended to be

taken (although within the limits of deviation), and to prevent delay in the completion of the work by the exhaustion of the expending power prior to the streets being finished. It is not suggested that the power absolutely in the hands of the Board should be increased, but only that the Treasury should have authority to sanction some increase of the Board's borrowing power, if necessary. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the expending power of the Board for the year 1887, under the Streets Improvement Act, 1877, be increased in the Money Bill of the present Session to the entire sum remaining to be provided of the total estimated cost of the Improvements; and that a provision be inserted in the Bill, enabling the Treasury to give their sanction to further expenditure beyond the present total limit of £4,193,507, up to a total of £4,300,000.

In pursuance of the Order of the Board of the 17th April, 1885 (No. 6), your Committee beg to submit a Return showing the amount of Loans granted by this Board to the School Board for London and other public bodies up to the 31st March, 1886.

Your Committee also beg to submit, for the information of the Board, a Return of Gas Meters received to be tested, with the Fees charged for the same, for the quarter ended the 27th March last.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
GEORGE JAMES,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
JOHN TOLHURST.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

		£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
JUDD AND CO.—(1222)—							
6421	Bill for general printing, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	960	9	4	
HOE, R., AND SONS—(1221)—							
6422	Cases and bags, quarter to 31st March, 1886—						
	Sewage experiments	...	...	£2	10	-	
	Office, Spring-gardens	...	...	1	4		
						3	14 -
GARMAN, C. E.—(1150)—							
6423	Medical attendance on men at Abbey-mills Pumping-station, half-year to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...	13	- -
WILLIAMS, SON AND WALLINGTON—(1230)—							
6424	Bill for general jobbing works (Area B), December, 1886	...	...	1,314	19	9	
ROWNSON, DREW AND CO.—(1159)—							
6425	Joists and flange-rails for sewerage experiments at Crossness, February and March, 1886	...	...	...	...	96	7 -
RUTTY, G. G.—(1211)—							
6426	Maintaining, cleansing, and watering carriage and foot-ways, Victoria-embankment, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...	753	4 7
NEW RIVER CO.—(1210)—							
6427	Supplying and fixing hydrants, December, 1885, to February, 1886	...	...	1,049	7	6	
STANDIDGE AND CO.—(1161)—							
6428	Lithography, November, 1885	...	...	...	...	35	10
NEAL, J.—(1070)—							
6429	Brick rubbish and hoggin for Shepherd's-bush-common, December, 1885, to February, 1886	...	...	...	...	89	10
Carried forward		...	...	£5,316	2	2	

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	5,316	2	2	...		
GREENWOOD, J. AND J.—(1066)—											
6430	Repairs at Finsbury-park, December, 1885	...	...	...	...	3	-	-			
MOWLEM, J., AND Co.—(1068)—											
6431	Slating roof of carpenter's shop at Finsbury-park, December, 1885					9	5	2			
HOBMAN, A. T., AND SON—(1067)—											
6432	Carting-work at Southwark-park, Bostall-heath, and Peckham-rye, January and February, 1886	...	...	...	...	9	-	-			
BRASS, W., AND SON—(1216)—											
6433	Shoring, hoarding, &c., dangerous structures	...	...	...	...	66	17	7			
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(1167)—											
	Fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures—										
6434	Ashbridge, A.	...	...	...	...	£2	10	-			
6435	Badger, C. J.	...	...	...	...	6	1	-			
6436	Carritt, E.	...	...	...	...	2	12	6			
6437	Conder, A.	...	...	...	...	2	17	6			
6438	Fletcher, B.	...	...	...	...	9	5	-			
6439	Grose, V. J.	...	...	...	...	3	17	6			
6440	Hammon, H. J.	...	...	...	...	2	7	6			
6441	Hewitt, E. R.	...	...	...	...	3	2	6			
6442	Jennings, J.	...	...	...	...	2	12	6			
6443	Kerr, R.	...	...	...	...	2	-	-			
6444	Lansdown, G.	...	...	...	...	3	-	-			
6445	Legg, H. S.	...	...	...	...	4	17	6			
6446	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	...	6	15	-			
6447	Markham, S. S.	...	...	...	...	3	17	6			
6448	Meeson, F. R.	...	...	...	...	2	12	6			
6449	Notley, R. P.	...	...	...	...	7	17	6			
6450	Oliver, H.	...	...	...	...	9	10	10			
6451	Parsons, H.	...	...	...	...	2	17	6			
6452	Payne, A.	...	...	...	...	3	12	6			
6453	Tanner, A. W.	...	...	...	...	3	15	-			
6454	Wallen, F.	...	...	...	...	2	12	6			
6455	Woodthorpe, E.	...	...	...	...	18	6	10			
									107	1	2
SCOTT, J. A.—(1226)—											
6456	Repair to office furniture, January to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	7	2	6			
ADDIS, W.—(1215)—											
6457	Ironmongery and repairs, office, Spring-gardens, October to December, 1885	...	...	...	...	22	7	7			
TENNANT, C., SONS AND Co.—(1227)—											
6458	Manganate of soda for deodorizing purposes, March, 1886	...	...	...	...	1,480	13	-			
CHRISTOPHERSON, C., AND Co.—(1219)—											
6459	Manganate of soda for deodorizing purposes, February, 1886	...	...	...	...	226	-	-			
H.M. RECEIVER GENERAL—(1224)—											
6460	Rent of offices, Spring-gardens, half-year to 5th April, 1886 (less tax)	...	...	...	...	171	19	4			
SLOPER, J., per F. Kenworthy—(1163)—											
6461	Perforating postage and receipt stamps, July, 1884, to January, 1886					5	19	-			
SMITH, J.—(1208)—											
6462	Poundage for rates collected, Lincoln's-inn and Inner Temple, to meet precepts for 1885	...	...	...	...	18	12	-			
RETIRING ALLOWANCES of late officers—(1165)—											
	Month to 25th April, 1886—										
6463	Fernley, G.	...	...	...	...	£3	15	6			
6464	Kennedy, T.	...	...	...	...	8	17	9			
6465	Welsh, R.	...	...	...	...	4	3	4			
6466	Whitworth, E.	...	...	...	...	5	-	-			
									21	16	7
	Carried forward	...	...	...	...	£7,465	16	1	...		

								£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,465	16	1	...		
COMMERCIAL GAS Co.—(1246)—													
6467	Gas for meter-testing-house, Spitalfields, quarter to Lady-day,												
1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	18	8			
												7,478	14 9

FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.

HORSE-HIRE for drawing engines, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886—(1138)—

2663	Arber, G.	...	...	...	...	£32	10		
2664	Atkins, A.	...	...	...	...	327			
2665	Bridge, I.	...	...	...	...	572	-	-	
2666	Dickinson and Cooper	...	...	...	...	35	-	-	
2667	Jenks, D.	...	...	...	...	37	10	-	
2668	Murray, J.	...	...	...	...	201	10	-	
2669	Nightingale, H. W.	...	...	...	...	29	5	-	
2670	Puddefoot, G.	...	...	...	...	70	-	-	
2671	Smith, J.	...	...	...	...	37	10	-	
2672	Tilling, T.	...	...	...	...	920	-	-	
2673	Williams, Mrs. S.	...	...	...	...	37	10	-	
2674	Wragg, E. J.	...	...	...	...	87	10	-	
						2,387	5	-	

SHAND, MASON AND Co.—(1143)—

2675	Repairs to engine, March, 1886...	...	...	...	...	22	10	-	
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FRASER AND FRASER—(1149)—

2676	Repairs to float "Ajax," March, 1886	...	...	...	...	2	4	8	
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MILLS AND KNIGHT—(1152)—

2677	Repairs to float "Ajax," January to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	122	5	1	
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BRAY, G.—(1139)—

2678	Repairs to moveable station, April, 1886	...	...	...	...	13	17	-	
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MCGREGOR AND Co.—(1151)—

2679	Rubber-lined canvas hose, March, 1886	...	...	...	...	796	4	10	
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DEWRANCE, J., AND Co.—(1140)—

2680	Repairs to pressure-gauges, January to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	3	9	6	
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NORRIS, S. E., AND Co.—(1154)—

2681	Axe pouches, leather for repairs, &c., January to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	86	10	-	
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GREEN, J.—(1145)—

2682	Oil, colours, cotton waste, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...	560	8	4	
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SANDELL, J., AND Co.—(1156)—

2683	Timber for use in workshops, January to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	42	12	11	
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OXLEE, D.—(1155)—

2684	Bedding, repairs to furniture, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...	10	3	6	
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SMALLBONE, C.—(1142)—

2685	Tool-box, furniture for stations, &c., April, 1886...	...	...	...	...	8	8	-	
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BRITTEN AND GILSON—(1157)—

2686	Window glass for repairs, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...	3	4	-	
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MOORE, A.—(1153)—

2687	Lamp, &c., tablets, December, 1885, and January, 1886	...	...	...	...	106	16	6	
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MOWLEM, J., AND Co.—(1069)—

2688	Repairs at Kensington station, December, 1885	...	...	...	...	5	14	1	
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SMITH, J., AND Co.—(1075)—

2689	Stationery, books, &c., November and December, 1885	...	...	...	...	105	2	3	
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ALMOND, G. AND W.—(1146)—

2690	Helmet fittings, December, 1885, to February, 1886	...	...	...	...	21	11	-	
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CHEN, S., AND Co.—(1148)—

2691	Waterproof coats, January to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	7	13	6	
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COTCH, F. H., AND SONS—(1141)—

2692	Boots for firemen, December, 1885, to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	41	18	-	
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Carried forward £4,357 18 2 7,478 14 9

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
	Brought forward	...	...	4,357	18	2	7,478	14	9
GATEHOUSE, R. H.—(1166)—									
2693	Retiring allowance, month ending 25th April, 1886	...	...	16	10	—	4,374	8	2

GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

FREEMAN, G. M.—(1136)—									
6468	Counsel's fees, <i>re</i> Hackney Commons, January, 1886	...	...	87	8	6			
HODGES AND SON—(1137)—									
6469	Short-hand notes, <i>re</i> Hackney Commons, December, 1885, and January, 1886	...	...	35	17	8	123	6	2

BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.

MOWLEM, J., AND Co.—(1082)—									
114	Repairing and cleansing bridges (area A), quarter to Christmas, 1885			763	8	-			
WILLIAMS, SON AND WALLINGTON—(1083)—									
115	Repairing and cleansing bridges (area B), quarter to Christmas, 1885			280	17	10	1,044	5	10

BRIDGES (ACT OF 1881).

WADDELL, J.—(1250)—									
54	Further on account of contract for erection of bridge at Putney (No. 597)	...	...	2,000	-	-			
BURCHELL, W.—(1218)—									
55	Sheriff's fees, <i>re</i> Bowden (Putney), October, 1885	...	...	21	2	-	2,021	2	-

BRIDGES (ACT OF 1883).

AIRY, W.—(1214)—									
13	Services and expenses in examination of ironwork for Hammersmith Bridge, March, 1886	...	...				11	-	

MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.

WADDELL, J.—(1251)—									
1272	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers in Clapham, Battersea, Wandsworth, and Putney (No. 614)			2,000	-	-			
FELTON, G.—(1247)—									
1273	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers at Stamford-brook East, and Bridge-road, Hammersmith (No. 705)	...	...	140	-	-			
RIGBY, W.—(1249)—									
1274	Further on account of contract for construction of relief-lines to the Holloway and Northern High-level sewers (No. 720)	...		3,400	-	-			
NOWELL AND ROBSON (1248)—									
1275	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers in Queen's-road, Dalston (No. 727)	...	...	600	-	-	6,140	-	-

STREETS (ACT OF 1877).

TURNER AND SON—(1077)—									
8772	Balance of amount of contract and extras for paving and other works between Bloomsbury-street and New Oxford-street (No. 728)	...	...	101	6	5			
NEGRETTE AND ZAMBRA—(1135)—									
8773	Photography, <i>re</i> No. 51, Oxford-street, April, 1886	...	...	6	6	-	107	12	5

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

WHITELY, G. C.—(1164)—									
1576	Fees for preparing notices of application for provisional licenses, &c, <i>re</i> "Fountain and Grapes" Public-house (Southwark-bridge-road)	...	...	13	11	4			
PACKER, W. F.—(1207)—									
1577	Return of amount deposited with the Board on execution of tenancy agreement as security for rent and fixtures	...	...	25	-	-			
	Carried forward	...	...	£38	11	4	21,300	9	10

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	38	11	4	21,300	9	10

BANK OF ENGLAND—(1058)—

1578 One-quarter's dividend on 3 per cent. Metropolitan Consolidated

Stock, due 1st May, 1886...	...	...	...	67,500	-	-		
							67,538	11 1

SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.

RADFORD, D., AND CO.—(1243, 876 and 1071)—

1939 Coals and coke, February, 1886—

General Working Account—

Southwark-park £1 2 2

Gas-meter testing-house 3 11 -

4 13 2

Fire Brigade Working Account—

Stations and floats 160 10 1

165 3 3

HODGES AND SON—(1160 and 1144)—

1940 Short-hand notes, January, 1886—

*Streets (Act of 1872)—**Re Bedford Charity (Old-street)* 1 8 -*Dwelling House Improvement Fund—**Re School Board for London (Goulston-street)* £2 2 -

,, North and Wicks (Wells-street, Poplar) ... 2 2 -

4 4 -

5 12 -

ROSSER AND RUSSELL—(1072)—

1941 *Fire Brigade Working Account—*

Repairs to floating-station at Pimlico, December, 1885 ... 8 19 6

Fire Brigade Capital Account—

New street-station at Highgate, December, 1885 ... 191 6 6

200 6 -

MEADOWS-WHITE, F., Q.C.—(1158)—

1942 Counsel's fees, January and February, 1886—

General Working Account 30 8 6*General Capital Account* 127 6 6*Tooley Street Extension (Act of 1882)* 3 5 6*Dwelling House Improvement Fund* 34 13 -

195 13 6

SCADDING, W.—(1085)—

1943 Fees, &c., re transfer of licenses—

*Hampstead Improvements—**Re "Three Horse Shoes" Public-house* 9 6 6*Consolidated Loans Fund—**Re "The Crown" Public-house (Charing-cross)* ... 8 18 -

18 4 6

PHILLIPS, J. AND J.—(1228)—

1944 Fair-copying, stamps, &c., January and February, 1886—

General Working Account 170 10 2*Fire Brigade Capital Account* - 3 -*General Capital Account* 26 1 2*Bridges (Act of 1881)* 53 2 11*Bridges (Act of 1883)* 2 10 7*Woolwich Ferry (Act of 1885)* - 10 5*Main Drainage and Main Sewers* - 13 5*Streets (Act of 1877)* 80 17 10*Tooley Street Extension (Act of 1882)* - 2 11*Streets (Act of 1883)* 90 14 1*Streets (Act of 1884)* 4 1 10*Streets (Act of 1885)* - 4 9*Hampstead Improvements* 17 14 6*Poplar Improvement* - 9 3*Thames Floods Prevention* 10 5 9*Dwelling House Improvement Fund* 81 15 10

539 18 5

Carried forward	...	...	...	£89,963	18	10
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				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	89,963	18	10
SMITH, J., AND EUSTACE, E.—(1229)—									
1945	Commission on rents collected during the quarter to 31st March, 1886—								
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	...	3 16 10			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	2 5 1			
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	- 13 11			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	72 17 11			
							79	13	9
ECONOMIC LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY—(1057)—									
1946	<i>General Working Account</i> —								
	Half-year's interest on balance of loan of £100,000, due 24th								
	April, 1886 (less tax)	...	...	...	...	942 10 -			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i> —								
	Eighteenth instalment in repayment	...	...	...	...	3,333 6 8			
							4,275	16	8
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(1252 and 1253)—									
	Repayment of advances—								
1947	Weekly wages—Two weeks to 14th April, 1886—								
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£1,584 14 2				
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	10 13 9				
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	13 13 -				
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	18 6 -				
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	84 15 -				
	<i>Parks and Open Spaces</i>	...	...	...	18 18 8				
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	21 16 9				
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	2 2 -				
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	2 8 -				
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	40 17 2				
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	3 3 -				
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	68 8 -				
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	21 - -				
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	23 2 -				
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	47 4 -				
						1,961 1 6			
	Firemen's wages—Two weeks to 17th April, 1886—								
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	2,002 14 5			
	Weekly pensions, to 10th April, 1886—								
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	34 10 8			
							3,998	6	7
1948	Petty disbursements, 29th March to 10th April, 1886—								
	<i>a General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£96 16 10				
	<i>b Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	£5 6 7						
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	- 10 10						
					5 17 5				
	<i>c General Working Account</i>	...	£ 2 7						
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	- 10 -						
					- 12 7				
	<i>d Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...		- 8 7				
	<i>e Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...		4 4 4				
	<i>f Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...		2 3 8				
						£110 3 5			
	Retainer to Counsel, re Roberts and others (Putney)—								
	<i>g Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	1 3 6				
	Compensations to tenants on removal—								
	<i>h Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	£5 - -						
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	65 - -						
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	8 - -						
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	9 - -						
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	14 - -						
					101 - -				
	Return of amount of rent overpaid on completion, re Francis (Bethnal-green)—								
	<i>i Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	1 8 10				
	Carried forward	...	£213 15 9				98,317	15	10

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward							98,317	15	10
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &C., ACCOUNT—(continued)	213	15	9						
Property-tax in respect of No. 80, Walworth-road, one year to Lady-day, 1886— <i>j Consolidated Loans Fund</i>		1	18	8					
<i>Firemen's Savings Fund</i> — <i>k Amount withdrawn</i>		1	4	5					
Postages, 29th March to 10th April, 1886— <i>l General Working Account</i>	36	-	-				252	18	10
Rates for station at Sydenham— <i>m Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	£2	12	3						
Insurance for Bishopsgate station— <i>n Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	19	2	6						
Insurance of premises occupied by the Board to Mid-summer, 1887— <i>o General Working Account</i>	£24	16	2						
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	7	16	10						
<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	6	8	1						
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund...</i>	7	15	-						
				46	16	1			
Expenses at fires, March, 1886— <i>p Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	224	13	2				293	4	-
Amounts to be paid through the account— Bills for sums under £2— <i>q General Working Account</i> — Clarkson, A.—Carbolic acid gas for sewage experiments	£-	12	6						
Buckley, J.—Cartage of gas- meter apparatus	-	3	-						
Radford, D., and Co.—Coal for Deptford penstock-house	1	15	6						
Steward, J. H.—Rule for Chemical Department	1	2	6						
				3	13	6			
<i>r Fire Brigade Working Account</i> — Buller, Jobson, and Co., Limited —Name plates	£	5	4						
Marshall and Hatch—Repairs at Holloway station	1	12	-						
Tangyes Limited—Repairs to stable-fittings, Head-quarters	-	6	1						
				2	3	5			
Rates and taxes for premises occupied by the Board or taken for improvements— <i>s General Working Account</i>	10	9	5						
<i>t Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	153	8	3						
<i>u Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	£118	10	11						
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	19	19	5						
				138	10	4			
							308	4	11
									854 7 9
									£99,172 3 7

Examined,
(signed) T. G. FARDELL,
GEORGE JAMES,
JNO. LENANTON,
CHAS. MOSSOP.

Certified,
(signed) A. GUNN,
Accountant.

RETURN showing the number of Gas Meters received by each Inspector, with the amount of Fees charged for the same, for the quarter ending 27th March, 1886, submitted by the Committee.

Week ending	Number of Meters.				Amount of Fees.			
	Mr. Airey.	Mr. Dethridge.	Mr. Mills.	Total.	White Lion-street, Spitalfields.	Southwark-street.	St. Ann-street, Westminster.	Total.
1885.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Jan. 2	171	151	412	734	6 13 6	5 11 -	13 12 -	25 16 6
" 9	705	560	466	1,731	23 19 6	18 16 6	18 6 6	61 2 6
" 16	672	494	868	2,034	22 - 6	19 14 6	31 3 -	72 18 -
" 23	497	752	1,042	2,291	19 4 6	26 2 -	37 19 6	83 6 -
" 30	393	404	687	1,484	13 10 6	15 4 -	26 1 -	54 15 6
Feb. 6	546	576	813	1,935	20 - -	19 19 6	28 17 -	68 16 6
" 13	529	528	614	1,671	18 10 6	16 18 6	22 10 -	57 19 -
" 20	377	397	811	1,585	19 3 -	15 10 6	30 5 6	64 19 -
" 27	555	470	865	1,890	21 6 -	17 18 6	35 4 6	74 9 -
Mar. 6	537	691	576	1,804	20 19 -	22 4 -	21 11 6	64 14 6
" 13	590	632	703	1,925	22 2 -	22 1 -	24 8 -	68 11 -
" 20	359	386	757	1,502	14 3 -	14 17 -	28 4 -	57 4 -
" 27	629	503	639	1,771	22 11 6	16 11 6	23 14 6	62 17 6
	6,560	6,544	9,253	22,357	244 3 6	231 8 6	341 17 -	817 9 -

(Signed) HENRY AIREY, R. DETHRIDGE, G. MILLS,
Inspectors of Gas Meters.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN, Accountant. (Signed) W. J. DIBDIN, Superintendent.

RETURN as to Loans advanced, or in process of advance, up to 31st March, 1886, submitted with the Report—

Borrowers.	Loans Advanced.	Loans in process of advance.
	£	£
School Board	3,440,000	Nil.
Metropolitan Asylum District Managers	1,290,396	Nil.
Vestries and District Boards	1,887,081	102,700
Guardians	1,723,428	19,900
Other Public Bodies, under Loans Acts	479,706	Nil.
Other Public Bodies, under Special Acts	102,942	Nil.
	8,923,553	122,600
	£9,046,153	

The Debt raised by the Board in Metropolitan Consolidated Stock up to the same date was £25,496,644.

(Signed) A. GUNN,
Accountant.

The Statement of Officers' Salaries, submitted with the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £99,172 3s. 7d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Fees specified in the Three summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to C inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being

the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Ashbridge, A. ...	2	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
2	Badger, C. J. ...	7	6 1 -	...	...	6 1 -
3	Carritt, E. ...	2	2 12 6	...	...	2 12 6
4	Conder, A. ...	2	2 17 6	...	...	2 17 6
5	Fletcher, B. ...	9	9 5 -	...	...	9 5 -
6	Grose, V. J. ...	2	3 10 -	1	- 7 6	3 17 6
7	Hammon, H. J. ...	3	2 7 6	...	...	2 7 6
8	Hewitt, E. R. ...	3	2 12 6	1	- 10 -	3 2 6
9	Jennings, J. ...	1	2 12 6	...	...	2 12 6
10	Kerr, R. ...	1	1 2 6	1	- 17 6	2 - -
11	Lansdown, G. ...	3	3 - -	...	...	3 - -
12	Legg, H. S. ...	2	4 17 6	...	...	4 17 6
13	McDonell, G. ...	7	6 7 6	1	- 7 6	6 15 -
14	Markham, S. S. ...	5	3 17 6	...	...	3 17 6
15	Meeson, F. R. ...	3	1 17 6	2	- 15 -	2 12 6
16	Notley, R. P. ...	7	7 10 -	1	- 7 6	7 17 6
17	Oliver, H. ...	6	9 10 10	...	...	9 10 10
18	Parsons, H. ...	3	2 17 6	...	...	2 17 6
19	Payne, A. ...	5	3 12 6	...	...	3 12 6
20	Tanner, A. W. ...	3	3 15 -	...	...	3 15 -
21	Wallen, F. ...	2	2 12 6	...	...	2 12 6
22	Woodthorpe, E. ...	27	18 6 10	...	...	18 6 10
		105	103 16 2	7	3 5 -	107 1 2

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the under-mentioned expenses, incident to shoring and hoarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
32,744 & 32,761	287 and 289, New-cross-road, Deptford ...	8 18 10
32,927	141, Commercial-road East, Mile-end Old-town ...	14 13 9
33,544	34, South-street, St. Marylebone ...	5 13 10
34,270	46, Great College-street, St. Pancras ...	4 8 8
34,372	34, Aylesbury-street, Clerkenwell ...	1 17 4
34,561 & 2	Evans-cottages, Lower Kennington-lane ...	3 10 11
34,697	1, Samuel-street, Woolwich ...	12 19 9
35,035 to 40	Couldery's-cottages, Ladywell ...	13 9 8
34,916	3, Percy-square, Clerkenwell ...	1 4 10
		£66 17 7

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Statement now submitted, showing the Salaries payable to the Officers of the Board on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £2,945 16s. 8d., be approved, and that the Treasurer of the Board, the London and Westminster Bank (Limited), be authorised to pay, on or after the 22nd instant, the several sums specified in such Statement, to the persons entitled to receive the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £270 in favour of the Vestry of Bermondsey, being the amount of the Board's promised contribution towards the Improvement effected at Weston-street.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board

hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. Pancras, for an advance of a sum of £5,800, towards defraying the cost of executing certain Improvement works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Twenty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of Hampstead for a Loan of a sum of £1,500, to purchase land and erect buildings and make alterations at the Workhouse, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Thirty years; that the sum of £5 5s. be charged for Surveyor's Fees; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, for a Loan of a sum of £13,858, to defray the cost of alterations and additions to the Workhouse and Infirmary, and of a new cooking and heating apparatus and water supply, be granted, to the extent of £13,800, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, as to £11,000 within a period of Thirty years, and as to £2,800 within a period of Ten years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town, for a Loan of a sum of £5,000, to provide new Casual Wards at their Workhouse, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Twenty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of Lambeth, for a Loan of a sum of £7,000 towards defraying the cost of making alterations and additions to the Workhouse in Renfrew-road, Kennington, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Fifteen years; that it be

referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Commissioners for Public Baths and Wash-houses in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, for a Loan of a sum of £6,300 towards defraying the cost of alterations and improvements at their Baths, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Twenty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, for a Loan of a sum of £41,612 for certain works of drainage, the erection of and alterations and additions to buildings, electric lighting, and the construction of a floating pier and other works, be granted to the extent of £27,324, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, as to £17,973 within a period of Thirty years, as to £6,408 within a period of Fifteen years, and as to £2,943 within a period of Ten years, respectively; that the sum of £52 10s. be charged for Surveyor's Fees; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District be informed, in reply to their Letter asking the Board to accept immediate re-payment of £4,628 9s. and £4,713 10s., the unexpended balances of Loans of £7,550 and £18,200, that the Board are not prepared at present to comply with their request.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the expending power of the Board for the year 1887, under the Streets Improvement Act, 1877, be increased in the Money Bill of the present Session to the entire sum remaining to be provided of the total estimated cost of the Improvements, and that a provision be inserted in the Bill, enabling the Treasury to give their sanction to further expenditure beyond the present total limit of £4,193,507, up to a total of £4,300,000.

4. Mr. Selway, in the absence of Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 19th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

	<i>Highbury-fields.</i>			£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
Watney, D.—(1168)—									
5 Charges on sale of Highbury-fields	...	...					300	-	-
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>								
<i>Re</i> Peake (Piccadilly)—(1169)—									
Fulton and Pye-Smith—									
8758 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...		10	10	10			
Carried forward	..	...		£10	10	10	300	-	-

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	10	10	10	300	-	-
<i>Re</i> Kingsford (Deptford-bridge)—(1170)—								
	Kingsford, Dorman and Co.—							
8759	Costs of application in order to provide for payment of dividends on Fund in Court	...	3	3	-			
<i>Re</i> Hawes (Charing-cross)—(1171)—								
	Freeman and Dicker—							
8760	Interest on Purchase-money, from 4th February to 22nd March, 1886 (less Tax)	... ..	9	2	9			
<i>Re</i> Coffin (Charing-cross)—(1172)—								
	Coxwell, J. E.—							
8761	Costs of Title and Conveyance	... ..	2	11				
<i>Re</i> Crosse and Blackwell (Charing-cross)—(1173)—								
	Allen and Son—							
8762	Costs of releasing right to construct Cellar under footway of new street	... ..	5	9	2			
<i>Re</i> Stanford (Southwark-bridge-road)—(1174)—								
	Coxwell, J. E.—							
8763	Costs of Title and Conveyance	... ..	2	11	-			
<i>Re</i> Robinson (Charing-cross)—(1175)—								
	Cooke, W. C.—							
8764	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	5	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Southgate (Charing-cross)—(1176)—								
	Southgate, Thomas—							
8765	Purchase-money in respect of yearly Tenancy in second floor of No. 5, White Hart-court	 £160 - -						
8766	Trade compensation	 440 - -						
			600	-	-			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
8767	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	... ..	19	19	-			
<i>Re</i> Delbarre (Charing-cross)—(1177)—								
	Delbarre, J. B.—							
8768	Compensation in respect of monthly Tenancy in wine vaults under No. 5, New Compton-street, Soho	... ..	75	-	-			
	Calvert, G. F.—							
8769	Surveyor's Fee, as per Order of Committee	... ..	5	5	-			
<i>Re</i> Glanfield (Charing-cross)—(1178)—								
	Glanfield, Wm.—							
8770	Compensation for loss of business, fixtures, unexpired term of Licenses, and removal from the "White Lion" Public-house, Hemming's-row	... ..	500	-	-			
<i>Re</i> McFarlane (Southwark-bridge-road)—(1179)—								
	Glover, Brothers—							
8771	Assistance on Trade claim	... ..	6	6	-			
						1,244	17	9
	Carried forward	... ..						
						£1,544	17	9

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward			...	1,544	17	9
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>						
<i>Re Stoneley (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1180)—</i>						
Cooke, W. C.—						
975 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	28	-	-			
<i>Re Collins (Walworth-road)—(1181)—</i>						
Hewitt, A. T.—						
976 One-quarter's Rent of Nos. 94 and 96, Walworth-road, and No. 32, Draper-street, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	53	3	4			
<i>Re Baker (Upper-street, Islington)—(1182)—</i>						
Baker, Mrs. Mary Harriett and Baker, Fred. Walter—						
977 Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 302, Upper-street	£300	-	-			
978 Trade compensation	1,200	-	-			
			1,500	-	-	
Baines, C., and Ball—						
979 Surveyors' Fee, as per Order of Committee	26	5	-			
<i>Re Mercer (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1183)—</i>						
Smith, F. R., and Son—						
980 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	17	11	10			
<i>Re Miles (Upper-street, Islington)—(1184)—</i>						
Thomson and Edwards—						
981 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	5	16	2			
<i>Re Flowers (Upper-street, Islington)—(1185)—</i>						
Flowers, Thos.—						
982 Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 288, Upper-street	1,075	-	-			
Henshaw, J.—						
983 Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	19	19	-			
<i>Re Scholl (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1186)—</i>						
Walker, W.—						
984 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	14	9	2			
<i>Re Faust (Tower-hill)—(1187)—</i>						
Greenop and Sons—						
985 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	8	7	6			
<i>Re Jerman (Bermondsey)—(1209)—</i>						
Coxwell, J. E.—						
986 Costs of Title and Conveyance	2	11	-			
<i>Compensation for loss of business and removal—</i>						
Massey, H. (Bermondsey)—(1188)—						
987 No. 29, Star-corner	50	-	-			
Ames, W. (Bermondsey)—(1189)—						
988 No. 43, Star-corner	30	-	-			
Taylor, J. F. (Bermondsey)—(1190)—						
989 No. 28, Star-corner	15	-	-			
Hird, J. W. (Bermondsey)—(1191)—						
990 No. 38, Star-corner	15	-	-			
Carried forward	£2,861	3	-	1,544	17	9

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		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	2,861	3	-	1,544	17	9
g (Hammersmith)—(1192)—							
A.—							
Assistance on Trade claim	...	10	10	-			
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>							
<i>Re Junkinson (Bermondsey)—(1244)—</i>							
Bank of England—							
992 Amount of valuation under the 85th Section of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845		900	-	-			
<i>Re Street (Bermondsey)—(1245)—</i>							
Bank of England—							
993 Amount of valuation under the 85th Section of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845		100	-	-			
					3,871	13	-
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>							
<i>Re Brittain—(1193 and 1194)—</i>							
Cooke, W. C.—							
349 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	25	-	-			
350 Proportion of tenant's Rent of No. 3, Bradley's-buildings, from 8th February, to 9th April, 1886 (less Tax) and of Queen's Taxes to 5th April, 1886	...	3	2	1			
<i>Re Neil—(1195)—</i>							
Neil, J.—							
351 Compensation for loss of business and removal from No. 4, Holly-bush-vale	...	25	-	-			
					53	2	1
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>							
<i>Re Gilbert—(1196)—</i>							
Gilbert, C. J.—							
11 Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 259, High-street	...	£205	-	-			
12 Trade compensation	...	845	-	-			
					1,050	-	-
Walker and Runtz—							
13 Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	23	2	-			
<i>Re Penner—(1197)—</i>							
Penner, Jno.—							
14 Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 257, High-street	...	£74	-	-			
15 Trade compensation	...	476	-	-			
					550	-	-
Baines, C., and Ball—							
16 Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	15	15	-			
<i>Re Gurney—(1198)—</i>							
Clear, J.—							
17 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	8	17	8			
Carried forward	...	£1,647	14	8	5,469	12	10

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	1,647	14 8	5,469	12 10	
<i>Re</i> Tremain—(1199)—								
	Briant, A. E.—							
18	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	11	9 2	1,659	3 10	
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re</i> Graham's Trustees (Greenwich)—(1200)—								
	Hine-Haycock, Bridgman, and Parker—							
5782	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	...	25	- -			
<i>Re</i> Lea (Windmill-row)—(1201)—								
	Howse, F.—							
5783	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	...	3	8 4	28	8 4	
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>								
<i>Re</i> London Wharf (Limehouse)—(1202)—								
	Salmon, J.—							
1572	Amount of premium for Insurance against fire (repayable by the Board) to Lady-day, 1887			11	- 6			
<i>Re</i> Bashall (Gray's-inn-road)—(1203)—								
	Bashall, Rev. Wm.—							
1573	One-quarter's Rent of No. 190, Gray's-inn-road, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	20	10 10			
<i>Re</i> Massingham (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1204)—								
	Randall, C. R., and Son—							
1574	One-quarter's Rent of No. 55, Green-street, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	12	1 8			
<i>Re</i> Collins (Walworth-road)—(1205)—								
	Collins, Jno.—							
1575	One-quarter's Rent of Nos. 90 and 92, Walworth- road, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	24	3 4	67	16 4	
<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account.</i>								
<i>Re</i> Williams (Battersea)—(1206)—								
	Guscombe, Wadham and Dawe—							
113	Half-quarter's Rent of No. 52, Bridge-road, from Midsummer, 1885 (less Tax)	...	...			4	8 3	
							£7,229	9 7

Your Committee have also to report that they have authorised the Sub-Committee on the examination of Accounts, in the event of further Cheques being required before the Easter recess, to examine the list of proposed payments, and to submit the same to the Board on Wednesday next, in order that Cheques may be drawn for the several amounts required.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the case of Mr. G. Skipper, one of the Special Clerks of Works, which was referred to them on the 27th November last (No. 12). Mr. Skipper has for five months past been unable to work, having been laid up with dropsy and heart disease, and there seems no probability of his recovery. He has been more than 25 years continuously in the service of the Board, and your Solicitor is of opinion that the Board have power to grant him a superannuation allowance. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the further services of Mr. G. Skipper, Special Clerk of Works, who has been in the service of the Board continuously during 25 years, be dispensed with by reason of his permanent infirmity, and that a retiring allowance of £68 5s. a year be granted to him.

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ee have considered a recommendation made by your Solicitor in his officers in his Department on 22nd March last, that Mr. F. A. D. Chilvers, stant now receiving £115 a year, should be placed in the Third Class salary of £120 a year. Your Committee are of opinion that your sal should be adopted, and they recommend—

F. A. D. Chilvers, be placed on the permanent staff, in the Third Class, and that his salary be £120 a year as from Christmas last.

Your Committee have also considered a recommendation made by your Engineer on 22nd March last, that Mr. A. McDougall, a temporary Assistant in his Department, should be appointed on the permanent staff in the Fourth Class of Officers at a commencing salary of £80 a year. Mr. McDougall is now receiving 25s. a week, and your Engineer states that he is rendering useful service. Your Committee recommend—

That the Engineer's suggestion be adopted.

Your Committee have considered a request made by your Engineer in his Report on 22nd March last, that a junior Clerk might be added to his Department. They have also considered the request made to the Board by your Accountant on the 15th instant, and referred to your Committee, for an additional junior Clerk in his Department. Your Committee find, from a Resolution of the Board on 13th November, 1885, that two young men, named W. S. Williams and J. M. Brown, who had passed satisfactorily at the last competitive examination, were to be appointed to junior Clerkships as vacancies occurred. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That Mr. W. S. Williams be appointed a Fourth-class Assistant in the Engineer's Department, at a commencing salary of £80 a year.

That Mr. J. M. Brown be appointed a Fourth-class Assistant in the Accountant's Department, at a commencing salary of £80 a year.

Your Committee have considered a recommendation made by your Engineer on 22nd March last, that in future the hours of attendance of the temporary Assistants in his Department should be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with an allowance of half an hour in the middle of the day for obtaining refreshments, instead of from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. with one hour in the middle of the day, as ordered by the Board on 19th November, 1880. Your Engineer is of opinion that, under the arrangement suggested by him the work of the temporary Assistants would be more satisfactorily superintended, and your Committee relying upon your Engineer's opinion in this matter recommend—

That the alteration of the hours of attendance be agreed to.

In compliance with the reference by the Board of the 26th ultimo (No. 5), your Committee have considered the question as to the alteration made in the gradient of the Northern approach of the Gliddon-road Bridge at Fulham, from the Plan approved by the Board. The Board, on the 15th February, 1884 (No. 6), agreed, provided the District Board paid £1,600, to contribute the sum of £800, on condition that a Bridge of the value of £4,000 was constructed to the satisfaction of your Engineer. Your Accountant has reported that the District Board have paid the £1,600, and your Engineer has stated that the Bridge is completed satisfactorily, except that the Northern approach has a gradient of 1 in 17, for a length of 44 yards, instead of 1 in 25, for a length of 57 yards, as shown upon the Plan approved by the Board. Your Committee have received a further Report from your Engineer in which he states that, although the approach is steeper than that shown upon the Plans approved by the Board, the gradient is shorter in length, and that if it were altered to a gradient of 1 in 25 as shown on the approved Plans, it would be necessary to alter the levels of the side streets, and would interfere to some extent with the access to St. Paul's School, and some of the houses in the side streets. Under all the circumstances your Committee are of opinion that the Board's promised contribution should be paid, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have had before them a Letter from Messrs. P. and E. Abbott, offering to continue their tenancy of the Board's lands at Beckton, 15 acres, and at the Barking Outfall, 20 acres, upon the same terms as in the past year ending 25th

March, 1886. The terms of the tenancy of the 15 acres of grazing land at Beckton were a rental of £30 for the year, but subject to one month's notice. Those for the 20 acres of grass land at the Barking Outfall were £60 free of taxes, and including the cutting and clearing away of the reeds from the reed-beds belonging to the Board. Your Committee, after conference with your Engineer, recommend—

That the offer of Messrs. Abbott be accepted for a period of Three years, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary Agreements.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from the New River Company, referred by the Board on the 19th ultimo (No. 38), stating that a constant supply of Water had been introduced in Shelton-street, Drury-lane, and asking for the instructions of the Board as to the number and position of Fire Hydrants to be fixed. Your Committee, after conference with your Engineer and the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, recommend—

That Three Hydrants be placed in the street as shown by Red circles on the accompanying Plan; the Hydrants to be sluice-valve Hydrants with $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches delivery in the clear, fitted with Mr. W. L. Baker's self acting frost-cock, and furnished with service box, all in accordance with the pattern adopted by the Board; the Hydrant box cover to be not less than 21 inches long by $9\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, attached to the box by $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch chain; the cost of the Hydrants and service box complete, but exclusive of attachments and cost of fixing, not to exceed £2 12s. 6d. each.

Your Committee, in pursuance of the reference by the Board of Friday last, have had before them the Report by your Engineer, stating that, on the 12th instant, a man, whilst leaning against the Eastern parapet of the temporary Bridge at Hammersmith, watching the works of the adjacent permanent structure, had been crushed by a passing van, and that he had been taken to a Hospital, and had since died. Your Committee have also had before them a Letter from Dr. Diplock, the Coroner who held the inquest, forwarding a copy of the verdict of the Jury to the effect that the death was accidentally caused, and also stating their opinion that part of Hammersmith Bridge is dangerous, and should be properly protected. Your Committee think it desirable that the subject should be considered by the Bridges Committee, and they therefore recommend—

That it be referred to that Committee, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
W. R. SELWAY,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEO. EDWARDS,
AND. MIDDLEMASS,
JOHN TOLHURST,
W^M. SHEPHERD.

The Plan submitted with the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report to be made this day by the Sub-Committee appointed by the Works and General Purposes Committee, to examine certain Accounts, be received by the Board, and that Cheques be drawn for the several amounts required.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the further services of Mr. G. Skipper, Special Clerk of Works, be dispensed with by reason of his permanent infirmity, and that a Retiring Allowance of £68 5s. a year be granted to him.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That Mr. F. A. D. Chilvers, a temporary Assistant in the Solicitor's Department, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Third Class of Officers, at a salary of £120 a year, from Christmas last.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That Mr. A. McDougall, a temporary Assistant in the Engineer's Department, now receiving 25s. a week, be placed on the permanent staff in the Fourth Class, at a commencing salary of £80 a year, as from Christmas last.

An *amendment* thereon was *moved* by Mr. Lawrence, and seconded by Mr. J. Jones—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The *amendment* having been put to the vote, there were for it 7, against it 23; and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The *original motion* was then put to the vote, when there were for it 27, against it 6.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—28.

Abbott, J., Esq.	Lenanton, J., Esq.
Andrews, W., Esq.	Mossop, C., Esq.
Bonthron, J., Esq.	Pocock, A., Esq.
Bradfield, J. E., Esq.	Price, S., Esq.
Brown, G., Esq.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Cox, F., Esq.	
Ewin, A., Esq.	Robson, W., Esq.
Fairclough, T. M., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Fardell, T. G., Esq.	Shepherd, W., Esq.
Garrett, W. B., Esq.	Tolhurst, J., Esq.
Hewitt, W. H., Esq.	Weir, B., Esq.
Hill, G., Esq.	Wetenhall, W. J., Esq.
James, G., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

Against the Motion—7.

Baker, F. G., Esq.	Wenborn, Captain.
Furniss, R., Esq.	Williams, T. W., Esq.
Jones, J., Esq.	
Middlemass, A., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Selway.

Teller—Mr. Lawrence.

and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. W. S. Williams be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, a Fourth-class Assistant in the Engineer's Department, at a commencing salary of £80 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. J. M. Brown be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, a Fourth-class Assistant in the Accountant's Department, at a commencing salary of £80 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That, until further order, the hours of attendance of the temporary Assistants in the Engineer's Department be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and that half-an-hour be allowed to each of them in the middle of the day for the purpose of obtaining refreshments.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the alteration in the gradient of the Northern approach to the Gliddon-road Bridge at Fulham, from the Plan sanctioned by the Board, be approved, and that, under the circumstances of the case, the Board's promised contribution of £800 be paid.

At a subsequent part of the day's proceedings,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £800, mentioned in the foregoing Resolution; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account in favour of the Fulham District Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the offer of Messrs. P. and E. Abbott, to continue their tenancy of the Board's lands at Beckton and Barking

Outfall be accepted for a period of Three years, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary Agreements.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the New River Company be required to place in Shelton-street, Drury-lane, Three Hydrants, as shown by red circles on the Plan now submitted; the Hydrants to be sluice-valve Hydrants with 2¼ inches delivery in the clear, fitted with Mr. W. L. Baker's self-acting frost-cock, and furnished with service box, all in accordance with the pattern adopted by the Board; the Hydrant box cover to be not less than 21 inches long by 9½ inches wide, attached to the box by ¼-inch chain; the cost of the Hydrants and service box complete, but exclusive of attachments and cost of fixing, not to exceed £2 12s. 6d. each.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report by the Engineer relative to a fatal accident which occurred on the temporary Bridge at Hammersmith, and the Letter received from the Coroner on the subject, be referred to to the Bridges Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

5. Mr. Fardell brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE ACCOUNTS IN CONNECTION WITH IMPROVEMENTS.

Spring-gardens, 21st April, 1886.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Works and General Purposes Committee of the 19th instant, instructing the Sub-Committee, in the event of further Cheques being required before the Easter Recess, to examine and submit to the Board the list of proposed payments in connection with the Board's Improvements, for which Cheques are required to be drawn before the Board adjourn for the Recess, the Sub-Committee beg to report that they have this day considered a list of payments, and having examined the Vouchers and Certificates of the various principal Officers for the same, and found the Accounts correct, they beg to present a Statement of the amounts, and to recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £2,652 7s. 7d., be paid, and that Cheques be drawn accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
GEORGE JAMES,
WILLIAM B. GARRETT,
JOHN TOLHURST.

The Statement of the Cheques to be drawn, referred to in the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That Cheques be drawn, as follows—

<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re</i> Lamb (Charing-cross)—(1254)—							
Allen and Son—							
8774	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c. ...	...				6	14 2
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>							
<i>Re</i> Mason's Trustees (Green-street, Bethnal-green) —							
(1255)—							
Brown, G., Son and Vardy—							
994	Cost of Investment of Fund in Court ...	...	21	19	7		
	Carried forward ...	...	£21	19	7	6	14 2

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	21	19	7	6	14	2
<i>Re Brown (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1256)—</i>								
Bank of England—								
995	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 25, Green-street	...	220	-	-			
<i>Re Massingham (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1257)—</i>								
Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 55, Green-street								
996	The New Alliance Permanent Benefit Building Society	... £353	-	-				
997	Massingham, Mrs. Mary Ann	... 497	-	-		850	-	-
Baines, C., and Ball—								
998	Surveyors' Fee	... ..	17	17	-			
<i>Re Hope's Trustees (Bermondsey)—(1258)—</i>								
Coxwell, J. E.—								
999	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..	22	-	8			
<i>Re Harding and Rogers (Upper-street, Islington)—(1259)—</i>								
Elcum, H. W.—								
1000	Proportion of Rent of No. 317, Upper-street, from Christmas, 1885, to 15th April, 1886 (less Tax)		20	16	5			
							1,152	13 8
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>								
<i>Re Hitchens—(1260)—</i>								
Hitchens, Alfred—								
19	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 251, High-street, Poplar	 £220	-	-				
20	Trade compensation	 630	-	-		850	-	-
Brown, B.—								
21	Surveyor's Fees, as per Contract	... ..	20	6	-			
							870	6 -
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Merceron (Tench-street)—(1261)—</i>								
Fisher and Fisher—								
5784	Costs of Title and Conveyance	... ..	18	18	-			
<i>Re Heriot's Trustees (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1262 and 1263)—</i>								
Marchant and Benwell—								
5785	Costs of Arbitration	 £13 13	-					
	Costs of Title and Conveyance	 20 10	2			34	3	2
5786	Rent of No. 5, Lower East-street, and shed and stable, from Christmas, 1885, to 16th April, 1886 (less Tax)	... ..	4	16	1			
<i>Re Thompson and Son (Tench-street)—(1264)—</i>								
Thompson and Son—								
5787	Compensation for yearly Tenancy in No. 51, Green-bank	... ..	100	-	-			
Bridgman, H. H.—								
5788	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	... ..	5	5	-			
							163	2 3
	Carried forward	... ..					£2,192	16 1

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	...	...	...	2,192	16	1

Consolidated Loans Fund.

Re Central Bank of London, Limited (Bermondsey)—(1265)—
Saffery, Huntley and Co.—

1579 One-quarter's rent of No. 14, Bermondsey-new-
road, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax) ... 10 17 6

Re Harding (Upper-street, Islington)—(1266)—
Harding, H. B.—

1580 Return of amount deposited with the Board on
execution of Tenancy Agreement ... 8 - -

18 17 6

Streets (Act of 1883).

Re Simons (Bermondsey)—(1267)—
Simons, J.—

1001 Purchase-money and Compensation for Leasehold
interest in No. 1, Grange-road ... 426 - -

Fuller and Fuller—
1002 Surveyors' Fees ... 14 14 -

440 14 -

£2,652 7 7

And Cheques were drawn accordingly.

6. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 20th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that proceedings have been taken against Mr. James Judd, for unlawfully establishing anew, at a Railway arch near South Bermondsey Station, the business of a Manure Manufacturer. The defendant was fined £10 and 2s. costs, with the alternative of one month's imprisonment.

Your Committee submit an application from Mr. H. J. Cadwell for a License for a small Firework Factory, Division "B," at South-fields, Wandsworth, the site of which differs slightly from the site of a Factory for which he now holds a License. The proposed construction and situation of the Factory are in accordance with the provisions of the Order in Council, No. 4, relating to small Firework Factories, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the License be granted.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mrs. M. A. Downs, for renewal of registration, under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 21, Redan-street, Hammersmith. The conditions under which the Infants in the care of the applicant are kept continue satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, and that the Board do make a Bye-law fixing three as the number of Infants allowed to be kept.

Your Committee have further to report that proceedings have been taken against the following persons for the unlawful keeping of Infants at the premises named—

Mrs. Ellen Meredith, No. 39, St. George's-square, Regent's-park-road, St. Pancras.
Mrs. Eliza Mostyn, No. 68, Portnall-road, Harrow-road, Paddington.

A fine of £5 and costs, with the alternative of one month's imprisonment, was imposed in each case.

Your Committee submit a list of 94 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and they recommend—

That in 80 cases Licenses be granted to keep a quantity not exceeding 10 gallons of Petroleum in each case at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91; that in 4 cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named in a store situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90, and that in 10 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named and in the manner described in such Licenses.

Your Committee have also to report that proceedings have been taken against Mr. Thomas Blackwell, of No. 189, Copenhagen-street, Islington, for an unlicensed storage of Petroleum, and he was fined £10 and 2s. costs, with the alternative of fourteen day's imprisonment.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
F. M. WENBORN.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. J. Cadwell, for a License for a small Firework Factory, Division "B," at South-fields, Wandsworth, be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the registration of Mrs. M. A. Downs, under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 21, Redan-street, Masbro'-road, Hammersmith, be renewed, and that the Board do hereby make a Bye-law fixing three as the number of Infants to be kept at such premises.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the Ninety-four persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

7. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 20th April, 1886.

Your Committee have had under consideration, in connection with the Board's Various Powers Bill, the terms of a proposed arrangement with the Governors of Dulwich College, with reference to the proposed Dulwich-park. On the 12th March last your Committee reported that an arrangement which it was originally proposed to make with the Governors of the College, under which the Board was to surrender to the Governors about $1\frac{3}{4}$ acres of ground on condition that the Governors made a road 40 feet wide, was at an end, in consequence of the Governors having declined to make the road. Your Committee added that, as it was necessary to maintain a right-of-way across the ground, your Solicitor had been instructed to arrange for the formation of a new foot-path, 20 feet wide, in substitution for the existing footpath. The Board will probably agree that it is very desirable that the whole of the proposed Park should be included in one fence, and the arrangement originally proposed having fallen to the ground, a further proposal has been made by the Governors for a small exchange of land between

them and the Board which would secure the attainment of that object. The area to be given up by the Board to the Governors is 2 roods 35 perches, and the area to be surrendered by the Governors is 1 rood 19 perches, the difference being, as will be perceived, very small. Your Committee think it desirable on all grounds that this arrangement should be adopted. It is further proposed that the fence surrounding the Park should be an oak fence with four entrances for roads 30 feet wide, and that any difference between the Board and the Governors respecting the character of the proposed fence should be settled by Sir Henry A. Hunt. It is further proposed that there should be two short private roads, 15 feet wide, to afford back entrances to premises abutting on the Park which are now possessed of such accommodation. Your Committee recommend—

That the terms of the arrangement referred to in this Report be approved.

Your Committee have considered your Solicitor's Report, referred on Friday last, on the subject of the proceedings before the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill. By the Bill as introduced by the Government it was proposed that it should be left to the Board to decide by what authority the roads should be maintained, and how the cost of maintenance should be defrayed. The Select Committee of the House of Commons, however, decided that the roads should be maintained by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and that the Board should pay to the Vestry one-half of the expense incurred. Your Committee consider that there are no good grounds for charging the Metropolis at large with any portion of the cost of maintaining these new roads, especially when it is remembered that towards the cost of their formation the Board paid out of the Metropolitan funds £20,000, equal to four-fifths of the cost of the whole Improvement. Your Committee are unable to advise the Board to acquiesce in this decision. The question appears to them to be of sufficient importance to be argued before a second tribunal, that is to say, before a Select Committee of the House of Lords. They accordingly recommend—

That a Petition against the Bill be presented to the House of Lords.

With respect to the Bexley-heath Railway Bill, it was reported to the Board on 19th March last, that a Select Committee of the House of Lords had decided against the Bill far as it would authorise the formation of a new Railway. Your Committee now find that another proposal in the Bill, which is for the formation of a new road, is to be proceeded with. Your Committee do not suggest any objection to the formation of the road, but they are of opinion that a Clause should be inserted, providing that the width and formation of the proposed road, and the construction of the Sewer, so far as it is within the limits of the Metropolis, should be subject to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Acts. They recommend—

That a Petition be presented to the House of Commons with a view to the insertion of a Clause to that effect

The attention of your Committee has been directed to three Electric Lighting Bills, introduced into the House of Lords by different Members of that House, and which have all been referred to a Select Committee. The Board's jurisdiction under the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, being very limited, and extending only to the thoroughfares in respect of which the Board is the lighting authority, your Committee are not able to recommend the Board to incur any expenditure in appearing before the Select Committee. They think, however, that it may be desirable for the Board to watch the proceedings, and, perhaps, for some Member of the Board to give evidence as to the Board's views. To enable the Board to appear at all, it will be necessary for Petitions to be presented, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That Petitions be presented against the three Bills.

Your Committee have to report with respect to the Lee River Purification Bill, against which the Board has petitioned, that they have for some time past been in communication with the Hackney District Board, the body promoting the Bill, and, through the District Board, with the Local Board of Tottenham, with the Sewage of

which place the provisions of the Bill are concerned. Your Committee may mention that the communications between them and the two bodies above-mentioned arose out of a Letter from the Hackney District Board requesting a conference, which Letter was presented to the Board on the 26th February, and referred to your Committee with authority to receive the Deputation from the District Board. The negotiations have not yet resulted in an agreement which would enable the Board to allow the Bill to proceed without opposition, and it is therefore necessary for the Board to be prepared fully to support its Petition before the Select Committee to which the Bill may be referred. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the Board do authorise the employment of three Counsel and two Engineering Witnesses in support of its Petition.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

W. R. SELWAY,
GEO. EDWARDS,
JOHN TOLHURST.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the terms of the arrangement proposed to be made with the Governors of Dulwich College, with respect to the Park to be formed at Dulwich as described in the Report, be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That a Petition be presented to the House of Lords against the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill.

The motion having been put to the vote, there were for it 24, against it 2, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented to the House of Commons against the Bexley-heath Railway Bill, with a view to the insertion of a Clause providing that the width and formation of the proposed road, and the construction of the Sewer, so far as it is within the limits of the Metropolis, shall be subject to the operation of the Metropolis Management Acts.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That Petitions be presented against the three Electric Lighting Bills now before the House of Lords, in order that the Board may have the right to offer evidence before the Select Committee to which the Bills have been referred.

After discussion, the *motion* was put to the vote, when there were for it 20, against it 2, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That the Board do authorise the employment of three Counsel and two Engineering Witnesses in support of the Board's Petition against the Lee River Purification Bill.

After discussion, the *motion* was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

3. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 13th April, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 8th January last (No. 6), referring back, for further consideration and report, the Letter from Messrs. Vallance and Co., forwarding a numerous signed Memorial, requesting that George-yard, Lombard-street, might be re-named "Lombard-avenue," and stating that there were eight George-yards in the City of London Directory. George-yard, Lombard-street, is one of the oldest and best known thoroughfares in the City, and on the 16th December last your Committee were informed by the Commissioners of Sewers that a majority of the inhabitants were opposed to any change.

Two of the other streets named George-yard, within the limits of the City, have recently been re-named. Your Committee having re-considered the subject, recommend—

That no alteration be made in the name of George-yard, Lombard-street, and that Messrs. Vallance and Co. be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have also to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.
22nd April, 1882.	Vestry of Bethnal-green, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Parish.
13th August, 1885.	Vestry of Islington, for re-numbering the houses in Manorville-road.
2nd October, 1885.	Wandsworth District Board, for re-numbering the houses on the Northern side of Battersea-park-road.
9th July, 1885.	Hackney District Board, for re-numbering the houses in Maury-road.
6th October, 1885.	Postmaster-General, forwarding applications for re-numbering the houses in Dresden-road, Hornsey-lane.
31st March, 1886.	Inhabitants of Dieppe-street, Fulham, that the Order of the Board of the 12th February, 1886, abolishing the name "Beaumont-place" may be rescinded, or that Dieppe-street may be re-named "Beaumont-street."
27th March, 1886.	Lewisham District Board, that the portion of Brockley-lane extending from High-street, Lewisham, to Brockley-green, may be re-named "Ladywell-road, S.E."

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the houses in Busby-street, Bethnal-green, be re-numbered, and that the name "New King-street" be abolished.

That the houses in Medhurst-road, Bethnal-green, be re-numbered.

That Manorville-road and Ashbrook-road, Upper Holloway, be incorporated under the name "Ashbrook-road, N.," the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in Battersea-park-road be abolished, and the houses re-numbered where necessary.

That the subsidiary names in Maury-road, Hackney, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in Dresden-road, Hornsey-lane, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the inhabitants of Dieppe-street, Fulham, who have petitioned the Board that the Order of the 12th February, 1886, abolishing the name "Beaumont-place," may be rescinded, or that Dieppe-street may be re-named "Beaumont-street," be informed that the Board are unable to comply with their request.

That the portion of Brockley-lane extending, from High-street, Lewisham to Brockley-green, be re-named "Ladywell-road, S.E."

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. SHEPHERD,
W. R. SELWAY.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Furniss, and resolved—That no alteration be made in the name of George-yard, Lombard-street, and that Messrs. Vallance and Co. be informed accordingly.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 13th day of April, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Furniss—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of New King-street and Busby-street, in the Parish of St. Matthew, Bethnal-green, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,683, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 35, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 48, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the name New King-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Busby-street, E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Bethnal-green, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 13th day of April, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Furniss—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several irregularly numbered houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Medhurst-road, in the Parish of St. Matthew, Bethnal-green, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,684, in lieu of the existing irregular numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 11, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side; and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 12, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Medhurst-road, E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Bethnal-green, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 13th day of April, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Furniss—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Ashbrook-road and Manorville-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,685, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan, the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the South-Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 62, to those on the North-Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Fairbridge-road; that the names Manorville-road, Wills-terrace, Providence-place, and Austin-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Ashbrook-road and Manorville-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Ashbrook-road, N.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 13th day of April, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Furniss—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, certain houses and premises on the Southern side, and the several houses and premises on the Northern side of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Battersea-park-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,686, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 567 and ending with 573, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 356, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Dorcas-terrace, St. Saviour's-residences, Brigade-terrace, Napier-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Battersea-park-road, and the existing irregular numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Battersea-park-road, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 13th day of April, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Furniss—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Maury-road, in the Parish of Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,687, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 83, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 78, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Alma-villas, Mayfield-villas, Stuart-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Maury-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Maury-road, N.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 13th day of April, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Furniss—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Dresden-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,688, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 87, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 92, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Cavendish-villas, Moore-terrace, East-terrace, Dresden-terrace, Landmore-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Dresden-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Dresden-road, N.," and that notice of this Order be

given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Furniss, and *resolved*—That the inhabitants of Dieppe-street, Fulham, who have petitioned the Board that the Order of the 12th February, 1886, abolishing the name Beaumont-place, may be rescinded, or that Dieppe-street may be re-named Beaumont-street, be informed that the Board are unable to comply with their request.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 13th day of April, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby *resolved* and *ordered*, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Furniss—That the portion of Brockley-lane, extending from High-street, Lewisham, to Brockley-green, in the Parish of Lewisham, in the County of Kent, be re-named "Ladywell-road, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

9. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Treasury Chambers,
20th April, 1886.

SIR,—The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have had before them your Letter of the 20th ultimo, transmitting the estimate of the sums which the Metropolitan Board of Works propose to raise by rate during the year 1886-7.

My Lords have also before them the valuation of the surplus lands in the hands of the Board on the 31st December last. This valuation shows, after deducting for sales £159,249, and for depreciation £27,285, and allowing for additions and improved value £140,311, that lands and ground-rents, to a net value of £2,170,858, are in the hands of your Board, as against £2,217,381 last year, or a net decrease of £42,523.

My Lords accept generally this valuation. Their observations upon it will be contained in a separate Letter shortly to be addressed to you.

Their Lordships have also received from your Auditor a statement certifying to the payment of the instalments of principal and interest due on account of Loans made to subordinate authorities.

My Lords have carefully considered the estimate contained in your Letter, and, having regard to the foregoing considerations, they are pleased to approve it so far as it affects—

- (a) The dividend and sinking fund receivable in respect of the charge for Bridge expenses, viz., £111,141.
- (b) The dividend and sinking fund receivable in respect of the charge for the Dwelling House Improvement Fund, viz., £72,040 9s. 4d.
- (c) The sum which it is proposed to set aside for the redemption of debt; and the sum to be charged in consequence on the rate to make up the amount required for redemption, viz., £353,000.

The Chairman,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) R. E. WELBY.

10. The Board proceeded to consider as to issuing the Precepts for the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, for the year 1886.

The Accountant laid before the Board the Apportionment on the several Parishes, Districts, and Parts, of the sums required to be raised by the Board for the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, for the year ending 31st December, 1886, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 19th ultimo (No. 36).

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, pursuant to notice, seconded, and *resolved*—That the several columns in the Apportionment, now submitted to the Board, headed—

"Ratable Annual Value of Property in the Metropolis, £30,537,188";

“Amount of rate Rate at 1d. in the pound, £127,238 5s. 8d.”;

“Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, Securities granted before passing of Act 32 and 33 Vict., c. 102, and the Dividends on, and the sums required for the redemption of, Metropolitan Consolidated Stock—

“Main Drainage, £149,105 3s. 2d.;

“Fire Brigade, £22,468 7s. 2d.;

“Bridge Expenses, £110,427 2s. 6d.;

“General Improvements, and under various Acts, £263,063 2s. 10d.;

Total £545,063 15s. 8d.;

“For all other purposes of the Board—

“Fire Brigade.—Working Expenses for the year, £77,096 4s. 10d.;

“Bridge Expenses, £5,421 19s.;

“General Charges.—Sewerage and other works; Establishment charges, &c., £249,308 14s. 2d.;

Total, £331,826 18s.;

Amounts required from each Parish, District, or Part for the year 1886, £876,890 13s. 8d.”;

be, and the same are, respectively approved and adopted.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That this Board do, pursuant to the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, and the Acts therein referred to, assess a Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, and they do hereby ascertain that the amounts contained in the Apportionment presented this day are the sums which ought, in their judgment, to be included in the said Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, to be assessed and raised upon the City of London, and the several parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, for defraying the expenses of the said Board in the execution of the said Act, and the Acts for amending, extending, and varying the same; and also the sums which ought respectively to be paid by the Hornsey Local Board, under the Hornsey Local Board Act, 1871, and the Act amending the same; by the South Hornsey Local Board, under the Metropolitan Board of Works Act, 1874; and by the Beckenham Local Board of Health, under the Beckenham Sewerage Act, 1873, and also the sums required for Bridge Expenses under the Metropolis Toll Bridges Act, 1877, for the year ending 31st December, 1886, under and pursuant to the said Acts; and it is ~~ordered~~—That such sums be assessed, and they are hereby assessed, as shown in the following Schedule in the column headed—“Amounts required from each Parish, District, or Part, for the year 1886;” and it is further ~~ordered~~—That Precepts, under the Common Seal of the Board, do issue for obtaining payment of such sums—

21 April, 1886.

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FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES OF THE BOARD.																	
Number.	PARISHES, DISTRICTS, AND PARTS.	WORKING EXPENSES of the year.	GENERAL CHARGES.														
			BRIDGE EXPENSES.	Sewerage and other works, Establishment charges, &c.				TOTAL.	AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM EACH PARISH, DISTRICT, OR PART, FOR THE YEAR 1886.								
				£	s.	d.	£		s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
		s. d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
		5 4 10	5,421	19	-	249,308	14	2	331,826	18	-	876,890	13	8			
		s. d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1	CITY OF LONDON	5 2 2	661	9	3	30,129	6	9	40,175	18	2	97,902	3	6			
2	ST. MARYLEBONE	5 10 8	253	8	2	11,594	2	1	15,443	-	11	41,356	2	8			
3	ST. PANCRAS	7 19 9	281	1	6	12,797	8	11	17,066	10	2	45,807	19	11			
4	LAMBETH	4 12 4	259	12	10	11,806	2	-	15,750	8	2	42,305	10	1			
5	ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE	3 6 11	309	12	11	14,143	1	4	18,846	1	2	50,508	19	5			
6	ISLINGTON, ST. MARY ...	8 10 9	284	12	9	12,997	7	1	17,320	10	7	46,426	6	6			
7	SHOREDITCH, ST. LEONARD	2 17 5	115	1	8	5,231	3	9	6,979	2	10	18,747	5	5			
8	PADDINGTON	1 12 7	226	7	2	10,339	4	3	13,777	4	-	36,923	9	5			
9	ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN	2 2 2	70	19	7	3,228	4	8	4,306	6	5	11,564	11	3			
10	ST. MARY, NEWINGTON, SURREY	9 11 6	79	12	3	3,618	7	6	4,827	11	3	12,968	8	9			
11	CAMBERWELL	8 11 1	175	7	10	7,962	10	9	10,626	9	8	28,561	10	5			
12	ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER...	2 12 6	123	10	6	5,648	1	1	7,524	4	1	20,155	8	2			
13	ST. JAMES & ST. JOHN, CLERKEN	11 10 10	62	6	11	2,840	-	5	3,786	19	2	10,162	4	9			
14	CHELSEA	19 - -	104	17	5	4,741	9	10	6,334	6	3	17,057	19	7			
15	KENSINGTON, ST. MARY ABBOT	16 - -	326	6	3	14,861	-	5	19,817	2	8	53,184	3	10			
16	ST. LUKE, MIDDLESEX ..	16 1 -	51	15	9	2,359	18	8	3,146	10	6	8,442	5	7			
17	ST. GEORGE-THE MARTYR, SOUTH	- 3 -	46	13	2	2,120	3	7	2,828	17	-	7,599	19	9			
18	BERMONDSEY	2 2 9	71	6	9	3,268	12	6	4,352	2	-	11,646	11	11			
19	ST. GEORGE-IN-THE-EAST ...	7 - 3	33	12	5	1,556	11	6	2,067	4	2	5,505	-	8			
20	ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS	7 18 1	83	-	5	3,751	4	7	5,012	3	1	13,501	6	8			
21	HAMLET OF MILE END OLD TOWN	7 1 -	64	13	1	2,938	13	3	3,920	13	5	10,532	-	-			
22	WOOLWICH	5 7 1	24	8	3	1,103	-	10	1,473	16	2	3,969	19	10			
23	ROTHERHITHE	7 17 6	36	10	-	1,670	6	3	2,224	13	9	5,957	-	6			
24	ST. JOHN, HAMPSTEAD ...	8 9 2	99	5	4	4,479	-	11	5,986	15	5	16,137	10	8			
25	HAMMERSMITH... ..	8 10 11	85	10	7	3,858	16	10	5,157	18	4	13,903	19	10			
26	FULHAM	2 13 9	59	7	10	2,650	15	2	3,552	16	9	9,626	1	4			
27	WHITECHAPEL DISTRICT—																
	St. Mary, Whitechapel ...	4 4 -	30	16	4	1,406	5	11	1,874	6	7	5,025	7	7			
	Christchurch, Spitalfields	9 11 -	13	12	9	627	10	5	834	13	1	2,229	3	3			
	St. Botolph Without, Aldgate	3 1 -	7	18	-	362	7	2	482	8	3	1,290	13	7			
	Holy Trinity, Minories ...	18 2 -	1	9	6	68	2	8	90	10	4	241	3	10			
	Precinct of St. Katharine	7 - -	3	2	6	143	9	-	190	18	6	510	11	4			
	Hamlet of Mile End New Town	10 9 -	5	10	9	252	1	7	336	3	1	902	3	7			
	Liberty of Norton Folgate	3 8 -	1	19	9	91	6	5	121	9	10	324	12	2			
	Old Artillery Ground ...	17 1 -	1	9	5	67	8	4	89	14	10	240	-	11			
	District of the Tower ...	9 3 -	-	19	-	43	-	1	57	8	4	154	9	1			
		3 3 -	66	18	-	3,061	11	7	4,077	12	10	10,918	5	4			
28	WESTMINSTER DISTRICT—																
	St. Margaret and	2 10 6	121	8	1	5,508	7	10	7,352	6	5	19,766	11	8			
	St. John-the-Evangelist ...																
	Carried forward	13 4 -	4,178	17	8	190,264	14	4	253,735	5	4	671,138	17	5			

SCHEDULE REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING ORDER.

Number.	PARISHES, DISTRICTS, AND PARTS.	Rateable Annual Value of Property in the Metropolis. £ 30,537,188	Amount of Rate at 1d. in the £. £ s. d. 127,238 5 8	PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF, AND SINKING FUND FOR, LOANS RAISED BEFORE PASSING OF ACT, 32 AND 33 VICT., C. 102, AND THE DIVIDENDS ON, AND THE SUMS REQUIRED FOR, THE REDEMPTION OF METROPOLITAN CONSOLIDATED STOCK.										FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES OF THE BOARD.										AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM EACH PARISH, DISTRICT, OR PART, FOR THE YEAR 1886. £ s. d. 876,890 13 8
				MAIN DRAINAGE.		FIRE BRIGADE.		BRIDGE EXPENSES.		GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS, AND UNDER VARIOUS ACTS.		TOTAL.		FIRE BRIGADE. Working Expenses for the Year.		BRIDGE EXPENSES.		Sewerage and other works, Establishment charges, &c.		TOTAL.				
				£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.					
				149,105 3 2	22,468 7 2	110,427 2 6	263,063 2 10	545,063 15 8					77,096 4 10	5,421 19 -	249,308 14 2	331,826 18 -								
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	CITY OF LONDON	3,717,365	15,489 - 5	18,150 18 7	2,735 2 6	13,471 16 10	23,368 7 5	57,726 5 4	9,385 2 2	661 9 3	30,129 6 9	40,175 18 2	97,902 3 6											
2	ST. MARYLEBONE	1,424,162	5,934 - 2	6,953 16 3	1,047 17 2	5,161 4 2	12,750 4 2	25,913 1 9	3,595 10 8	253 8 2	11,594 2 1	15,443 - 11	41,356 2 8											
3	ST. PANCRAS	1,579,609	6,581 14 1	7,712 16 5	1,162 4 7	5,724 10 11	14,141 17 10	28,741 9 9	3,987 19 9	281 1 6	12,797 8 11	17,066 10 2	45,807 19 11											
4	LAMBETH	1,459,446	6,081 - 6	7,126 2 -	1,073 16 5	5,289 1 7	13,066 1 11	26,555 1 11	3,684 12 4	259 12 10	11,806 2 -	15,750 8 2	42,305 10 1											
5	ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE	1,740,168	7,250 14 -	8,496 15 10	1,280 7 3	6,306 8 5	15,579 6 9	31,662 18 3	4,393 6 11	309 12 11	14,143 1 4	18,846 1 2	50,508 19 5											
6	ISLINGTON, ST. MARY	1,599,631	6,665 2 7	7,810 11 7	1,176 19 3	5,797 2 3	14,321 2 10	29,105 15 11	4,038 10 9	284 12 9	12,997 7 1	17,320 10 7	46,426 6 6											
7	SHOREDITCH, ST. LEONARD	646,767	2,694 17 3	3,157 19 10	475 17 5	2,343 18 1	5,790 7 3	11,768 2 7	1,632 17 5	115 1 8	5,231 3 9	6,979 2 10	18,747 5 5											
8	PADDINGTON	1,272,100	5,300 8 4	6,211 6 10	935 19 5	4,610 2 7	11,388 16 7	23,146 5 5	3,211 12 7	226 7 2	10,339 4 3	13,777 4 -	36,923 9 5											
9	ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN	398,907	1,662 2 3	1,947 15 2	293 10 1	1,445 13 1	3,571 6 6	7,258 4 10	1,007 2 2	70 19 7	3,228 4 8	4,306 6 5	11,564 11 3											
10	ST. MARY, NEWINGTON, SURREY	447,416	1,864 4 8	2,184 12 3	329 3 10	1,621 9 1	4,005 12 4	8,140 17 6	1,129 11 6	79 12 3	3,618 7 6	4,827 11 3	12,968 8 9											
11	CAMBERWELL	985,695	4,107 1 3	4,812 17 10	725 4 10	3,572 3 10	8,824 14 3	17,935 - 9	2,488 11 1	175 7 10	7,962 10 9	10,626 9 8	28,561 10 5											
12	ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER	694,201	2,892 10 1	3,389 12 -	510 15 5	2,515 16 1	6,215 - 7	12,631 4 1	1,752 12 6	123 10 6	5,648 1 1	7,524 4 1	20,155 8 2											
13	ST. JAMES & ST. JOHN, CLERKENWELL	350,380	1,459 18 4	1,710 16 5	257 16 0	1,269 15 8	3,136 17 6	6,375 5 7	884 11 10	62 6 11	2,840 - 5	3,786 19 2	10,162 4 9											
14	CHELSEA	589,364	2,455 13 8	2,877 14 3	433 12 8	2,135 17 6	5,276 8 11	10,723 13 4	1,487 19 -	104 17 5	4,741 9 10	6,334 6 3	17,057 19 7											
15	KENSINGTON, ST. MARY ABBOTTS	1,833,827	7,640 18 11	8,954 2 -	1,349 5 6	6,645 16 9	16,417 16 11	33,367 1 2	4,629 16 -	326 6 3	14,861 - 5	19,817 2 8	53,184 3 10											
16	ST. LUKE, MIDDLESEX	291,050	1,212 14 2	1,421 2 5	214 2 11	1,054 15 7	2,605 14 2	5,295 15 1	734 16 1	51 15 9	2,359 18 8	3,146 10 6	8,442 5 7											
17	ST. GEORGE-THE MARTYR, SOUTHWARK	262,218	1,092 11 6	1,280 6 10	192 18 7	950 5 9	2,347 11 7	4,771 2 9	662 - 3	46 13 2	2,120 3 7	2,828 17 -	7,599 19 9											
18	BERMONDSEY	400,899	1,670 8 3	1,957 9 10	294 19 5	1,452 17 5	3,589 3 3	7,294 9 11	1,012 2 9	71 6 9	3,268 12 6	4,352 2 -	11,646 11 11											
19	ST. GEORGE-IN-THE-EAST	188,940	787 5 -	922 10 9	139 - 5	684 14 7	1,691 10 9	3,437 16 6	477 - 3	33 12 5	1,556 11 6	2,067 4 2	5,505 - 8											
20	ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS	466,558	1,943 19 10	2,278 1 7	343 5 8	1,690 16 6	4,176 19 10	8,489 3 7	1,177 18 1	83 - 5	3,751 4 7	5,012 3 1	13,501 6 8											
21	HAMLET OF MILE END OLD TOWN	363,357	1,513 19 9	1,774 3 7	267 7 -	1,316 14 11	3,253 1 1	6,611 6 7	917 7 1	64 13 1	2,938 13 3	3,920 13 5	10,532 - -											
22	WOOLWICH	137,188	571 12 4	669 17 -	100 18 10	497 3 6	1,228 4 4	2,496 3 8	346 7 1	24 8 3	1,103 - 10	1,473 16 2	3,969 19 10											
23	ROTHERHITHE	205,126	854 13 10	1,001 11 7	150 18 6	743 7 8	1,836 9 -	3,732 6 9	517 17 6	36 10 -	1,670 6 3	2,224 13 9	5,957 - 6											
24	ST. JOHN, HAMPESTEAD	557,878	2,324 9 10	2,723 19 4	410 9 5	2,021 15 4	4,994 11 2	10,150 15 3	1,408 9 2	99 5 4	4,479 - 11	5,986 15 5	16,137 10 8											
25	HAMMERSMITH	480,677	2,002 16 5	2,347 - 5	353 13 5	1,741 19 9	4,303 7 11	8,746 1 6	1,213 10 11	85 10 7	3,858 16 10	5,157 18 4	13,903 19 10											
26	FULHAM	333,780	1,390 15 -	1,629 15 2	245 11 8	1,209 12 7	2,988 5 2	6,073 4 7	842 13 9	59 7 10	2,650 15 2	3,552 16 9	9,626 1 4											
27	WHITECHAPEL DISTRICT--																							
	St. Mary, Whitechapel	£173,179		845 11 10	127 8 5	627 12 1	1,550 8 8	3,151 1 -	437 4 4	30 16 4	1,406 5 11	1,874 6 7	5,025 7 7											
	Christchurch, Spitalfields	76,641		374 4 5	56 7 10	277 14 11	686 3 -	1,394 10 2	193 9 11	13 12 9	627 10 5	834 13 1	2,229 3 3											
	St. Botolph Without, Aldgate	44,422		216 18 -	32 13 8	160 19 9	397 13 11	808 5 4	112 3 1	7 18 -	362 7 2	482 8 3	1,290 13 7											
	Holy Trinity, Minories	8,281		40 8 7	6 1 10	30 - 3	74 2 10	150 13 6	20 18 2	1 9 6	68 2 8	90 10 4	241 3 10											
	Precinct of St. Katharine	17,567		85 15 7	12 18 6	63 13 3	157 5 6	319 12 10	44 7 -	3 2 6	143 9 -	190 18 6	510 11 4											
	Hamlet of Mile End New Town	31,108		151 17 10	22 17 10	112 14 9	278 10 1	566 - 6	78 10 9	5 10 9	252 1 7	336 3 1	902 3 7											
	Liberty of Norton Folgate	11,163		54 10 2	8 4 3	40 9 1	99 18 10	203 2 4	28 3 8	1 19 9	91 6 5	121 9 10	324 12 2											
	Old Artillery Ground	8,261		40 6 7	6 1 7	29 18 9	73 19 2	150 6 1	20 17 1	1 9 5	67 8 4	89 14 10	240 - 11											
	District of the Tower	5,333		26 - 10	3 18 5	19 6 7	47 14 11	97 - 9	13 9 3	- 19 -	43 - 1	57 8 4	154 9 1											
			375,955	1,566 9 7	1,835 13 10	276 12 4	1,362 9 5	3,365 16 11	6,840 12 6	949 3 3	66 18 -	3,061 11 7	4,077 12 10	10,918 5 4										
28	WESTMINSTER DISTRICT--																							
	St. Margaret and		682,278	2,842 16 6	3,331 7 7	502 - -	2,472 12 -	6,108 5 8	12,414 5 3	1,722 10 6	121 8 1	5,508 7 10	7,352 6 5	19,766 11 8										
	St. John-the-Evangelist																							
	Carried forward	£	23,484,942	97,853 18 6	114,670 17 2	17,279 10 6	85,110 1 10	200,343 2 7	417,403 12 1	59,291 13 4	4,178 17 8	190,264 14 4	253,735 5 4	671,138 17 5										

Number.	PARISHES DISTRICTS, AND PARTS.	FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES OF THE BOARD.								AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM EACH PARISH, DISTRICT, OR PART, FOR THE YEAR 1886.	
		FIRE BRIGADE.	GENERAL CHARGES.								
			Working expenses for the year.	BRIDGE EXPENSES.	Sewerage and other works, Establishment charges, &c.		TOTAL.				
		s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
		6 4 10	5,421	19 -	249,308	14 2	331,826	18 -	876,890	13 8	
	Brought forward	1 13 4	4,178	17 8	190,264	14 4	253,735	5 4	671,138	17 5	
29	GREENWICH DISTRICT—										
	St Paul, Deptford, including										
	Hatcham £421,394	3 17 7	74	19 8	3,405	9 8	4,544	6 11	12,211	15 1	
	St. Nicholas, Deptford 52,620	2 17 -	9	7 3	430	8 8	572	12 11	1,530	1 7	
	Greenwich 245,921	0 17 4	43	15 2	1,985	19 10	2,650	12 4	7,125	4 7	
		7 11 11	128	2 1	5,821	18 2	7,767	12 2	20,867	1 3	
30	WANDSWORTH DISTRICT—										
	Clapham £243,276	1 3 10	43	5 9	1,974	2 10	2,631	12 5	7,058	2 -	
	Tooting Graveney 22,836	7 13 1	4	1 3	185	10 5	247	4 9	662	14 10	
	Streatham 258,140	14 4	45	18 8	2,064	17 2	2,762	10 2	7,459	8 11	
	St. Mary, Battersea, excluding Penge 630,246	3 3	112	2 11	5,072	6 4	6,775	12 6	18,243	3 2	
	Wandsworth 212,554	12 7	37	16 5	1,699	19 9	2,274	8 9	6,141	18 7	
	Putney, including Roehampton ... 123,415	11 7	21	19 3	1,003	2 7	1,336	13 5	3,582	4 11	
		18 8	265	4 3	11,999	19 1	16,028	2 -	43,147	12 5	
31	HACKNEY DISTRICT—										
	Hackney £902,170	13 7	160	10 8	7,292	10 7	9,730	14 10	26,146	- 2	
	St. Mary, Stoke Newington ... 161,984	19 1	28	16 6	1,317	14 9	1,755	10 4	4,702	17 2	
		12 8	189	7 2	8,610	5 4	11,486	5 2	30,848	17 4	
32	ST. GILES DISTRICT—										
	St. Giles-in-the-Fields and } St. George, Bloomsbury ... }	19 7	68	- 3	3,101	13 5	4,134	13 3	11,089	5 6	
33	HOLBORN DISTRICT—										
	St. Andrew, Holborn above Bars, and St. George-the-Martyr ... £205,961	19 8	36	13 -	1,653	18 7	2,210	11 3	5,958	1 8	
	St. Sepulchre, Middlesex ... 42,325	17 2	7	10 8	346	10 8	460	18 6	1,231	- 9	
	Saffron Hill, &c. 74,520	2 9	13	5 2	599	9 3	800	17 2	2,156	15 5	
	Liberty of Glasshouse Yard ... 8,838	6 3	1	11 5	71	16 4	95	14 -	256	10 1	
		5 10	59	- 3	2,671	14 10	3,568	- 11	9,602	7 11	
34	STRAND DISTRICT—										
	St. Anne, Soho £120,531	6 -	21	8 10	977	10 11	1,303	5 9	3,496	7 10	
	St. Paul, Covent Garden 89,185	3 3	15	17 5	727	1 7	968	2 3	2,590	17 4	
	Precinct of the Savoy 17,538	5 7	3	2 5	142	15 -	190	3 -	509	5 1	
	St. Mary-le-Strand 39,765	7 10	7	1 7	322	4 4	429	13 9	1,153	4 5	
	St. Clement Danes 165,101	16 6	29	7 7	1,328	10 -	1,774	14 1	4,778	16 3	
	Liberty of the Rolls 39,883	13 10	7	1 11	321	11 11	429	7 8	1,155	1 5	
		13 -	83	19 9	3,819	13 9	5,095	6 6	13,683	12 4	
35	LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT—										
	St. Anne, Limehouse £132,770	4 -	23	12 6	1,080	17 3	1,439	13 9	3,855	9 8	
	St. John, Wapping 61,339	17 3	10	18 3	512	1 4	677	16 10	1,793	18 6	
	St. Paul, Shadwell 50,694	19 8	9	- 5	420	14 1	557	14 2	1,480	2 1	
	Hamlet of Ratchiff 64,711	7 6	11	10 4	526	18 11	701	16 9	1,879	5 3	
		8 5	55	1 6	2,540	11 7	3,377	1 6	9,008	15 6	
	Carried forward	3 5	5,027	12 11	228,830	10 6	305,192	6 10	809,386	9 8	

Number.	PARISHES DISTRICTS, AND PARTS.	Rateable Annual Value of Property in the Metropolis. £ 30,537,188	Amount of Rate at 1d. in the £. £ s. d. 127,238 5 8	PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF, AND SINKING FUND FOR, LOANS RAISED BEFORE PASSING OF ACT, 32 AND 33 VICT., c. 102, AND THE DIVIDENDS ON, AND THE SUMS REQUIRED FOR, THE REDEMPTION OF METROPOLITAN CONSOLIDATED STOCK.					FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES OF THE BOARD.					AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM EACH PARISH, DISTRICT, OR PART, FOR THE YEAR 1886. £ s. d. 876,890 13 8
				MAIN DRAINAGE. £ s. d. 149,105 3 2	FIRE BRIGADE. £ s. d. 22,468 7 2	BRIDGE EXPENSES. £ s. d. 110,427 2 6	GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS, AND UNDER VARIOUS ACTS. £ s. d. 263,063 2 10	Total. £ s. d. 545,063 15 8	FIRE BRIGADE. Working Expenses for the Year. £ s. d. 77,096 4 10	BRIDGE EXPENSES. £ s. d. 5,421 19 -	GENERAL CHARGES. Sewerage and other works, Establishment charges, &c. £ s. d. 249,308 14 2	TOTAL. £ s. d. 331,826 18 -		
	Brought forward	£ 23 484,942	£ s. d. 97,853 18 6	£ s. d. 114,670 17 2	£ s. d. 17,279 10 6	£ s. d. 85,110 1 10	£ s. d. 200,343 2 7	£ s. d. 417,403 12 1	£ s. d. 59,291 13 4	£ s. d. 4,178 17 8	£ s. d. 190,264 14 4	£ s. d. 253,735 5 4	£ s. d. 671,138 17 5	
29	GREENWICH DISTRICT— St. Paul, Deptford, including Hatcham £421,394 St. Nicholas, Deptford 52,620 Greenwich 245,921			2,057 11 3 256 18 7 1,200 15 5	310 1 - 38 14 3 180 18 10	1,527 2 11 190 13 11 891 4 6	3,772 13 - 471 1 11 2,201 13 6	7,667 8 2 957 8 8 4,474 12 3	1,063 17 7 132 17 - 620 17 4	74 19 8 9 7 3 43 15 2	3,405 9 8 430 8 8 1,985 19 10	4,544 6 11 572 12 11 2,650 12 4	12,211 15 1 1,530 1 7 7,125 4 7	
		719,935	2,999 14 7	3,515 5 3	529 14 1	2,609 1 4	6,445 8 5	13,099 9 1	1,817 11 11	128 2 1	5,821 18 2	7,767 12 2	20,867 1 3	
30	WANDSWORTH DISTRICT— Clapham £243,276 Tooting Graveney 22,836 Streatham 258,140 St. Mary, Battersea, excluding Penge 630,246 Wandsworth 212,554 Putney, including Roehampton ... 123,415			1,187 17 - 111 10 - 1,260 8 7 3,077 6 7 1,037 17 - 602 12 -	178 19 11 16 16 - 189 18 7 463 14 5 156 7 10 90 16 1	881 12 9 82 15 2 935 10 2 2,284 - 7 770 6 - 447 5 3	2,177 19 11 204 8 11 4,696 18 9 5,642 9 1 1,902 19 - 1,104 18 2	4,426 9 7 415 10 1 4,696 18 9 11,467 10 8 3,867 9 10 2,245 11 6	614 3 10 57 13 1 651 14 4 1,591 3 3 536 12 7 311 11 7	43 5 9 4 1 3 45 18 8 112 2 11 37 16 5 21 19 3	1,974 2 10 185 10 5 2,064 17 2 5,072 6 4 1,699 19 9 1,003 2 7	2,631 12 5 247 4 9 2,762 10 2 6,775 12 6 2,274 8 9 1,336 13 5	7,058 2 - 662 14 10 7,459 8 11 18,243 3 2 6,141 18 7 3,582 4 11	
		1,490,467	6,210 5 7	7,277 11 2	1,096 12 10	5,401 9 11	13,343 16 6	27,119 10 5	3,762 18 8	265 4 3	11,999 19 1	16,028 2 -	43,147 12 5	
31	HACKNEY DISTRICT— Hackney £902,170 St. Mary, Stoke Newington ... 161,984			4,405 1 2 790 18 5	663 15 10 119 3 7	3,269 9 9 587 - 9	8,076 18 7 1,450 4 1	16,415 5 4 2,947 6 10	2,277 13 7 408 19 1	160 10 8 28 16 6	7,292 10 7 1,317 14 9	9,730 14 10 1,755 10 4	26,146 - 2 4,702 17 2	
		1,064,154	4,433 19 6	5,195 19 7	782 19 5	3,856 10 6	9,527 2 8	19,362 12 2	2,686 12 8	189 7 2	8,610 5 4	11,486 5 2	30,848 17 4	
32	ST. GILES DISTRICT— St. Giles-in-the-Fields and St. George, Bloomsbury ... }	382,220	1,592 11 8	1,866 5 7	281 4 6	1,335 3 6	3,421 18 8	6,954 12 3	964 19 7	68 - 3	3,101 13 5	4,134 13 3	11,089 5 6	
33	HOLBORN DISTRICT— St. Andrew, Holborn above Bars, and St. George-the-Martyr ... £205,961 St. Sepulchre, Middlesex 42,325 Saffron Hill, &c. 74,520 Liberty of Glasshouse Yard 8,838			1,005 13 - 206 13 2 1,63 17 2 43 3 -	151 10 10 31 2 10 54 16 7 6 10 -	746 8 2 153 7 9 270 1 3 32 - 7	1,843 18 5 378 18 6 667 3 3 79 2 6	3,747 10 5 770 2 3 1,355 18 3 160 16 1	519 19 8 106 17 2 188 2 9 22 6 3	36 13 - 7 10 8 13 5 2 1 11 5	1,653 18 7 346 10 8 599 9 3 71 16 4	2,210 11 3 460 18 6 800 17 2 95 14 -	5,958 1 8 1,231 - 9 2,156 15 5 256 10 1	
		331,644	1,381 17 -	1,619 6 4	244 - 3	1,201 17 9	2,969 2 8	6,034 7 -	837 5 10	59 - 3	2,671 14 10	3,568 - 11	9,602 7 11	
34	STRAND DISTRICT— St. Anne, Soho £120,531 St. Paul, Covent Garden 89,185 Precinct of the Savoy 17,538 St. Mary-le-Strand 39,765 St. Clement Danes 165,101 Liberty of the Rolls 39,883			588 10 5 435 9 5 85 12 7 194 3 2 806 3 10 194 14 10	88 13 8 65 12 5 12 18 - 29 5 3 121 9 6 29 6 10	436 16 3 323 4 2 63 11 2 144 2 2 598 6 7 144 10 9	1,079 1 9 798 9 1 157 - 4 356 - 1 1,478 2 3 357 1 4	2,193 2 1 1,622 15 1 319 2 1 723 10 8 3,004 2 2 725 13 9	304 6 - 225 3 3 44 5 7 100 7 10 416 16 6 100 13 10	21 8 10 15 17 5 3 2 5 7 1 7 29 7 7 7 1 11	977 10 11 727 1 7 142 15 - 322 4 4 1,328 10 - 321 11 11	1,303 5 9 968 2 3 190 3 - 429 13 9 1,774 14 1 429 7 8	3,496 7 10 2,590 17 4 509 5 1 1,153 4 5 4,778 16 3 1,155 1 5	
		472,003	1,966 13 7	2,304 14 3	347 5 8	1,710 11 1	4,225 14 10	8,588 5 10	1,191 13 -	83 19 9	3,819 13 9	5,095 6 6	13,683 12 4	
35	LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT— St. Anne, Limehouse £132,770 St. John, Wapping 61,339 St. Paul, Shadwell 50,694 Hamlet of Ratchiff 64,711			648 5 7 299 10 - 247 10 7 315 19 2	97 13 10 45 2 8 37 6 - 47 12 3	481 3 3 222 5 11 183 14 4 234 10 3	1,188 13 3 549 3 1 453 17 - 579 6 10	2,415 15 11 1,116 1 8 922 7 11 1,177 8 6	335 4 - 154 17 3 127 19 8 163 7 6	23 12 6 10 18 3 9 - 5 11 10 4	1,080 17 3 512 1 4 420 14 1 526 18 11	1,439 13 9 677 16 10 557 14 2 701 16 9	3,855 9 8 1,793 18 6 1,480 2 1 1,879 5 3	
		309,514	1,289 12 10	1,511 5 4	227 14 9	1,121 13 9	2,771 - 2	5,631 14 -	781 8 5	55 1 6	2,540 11 7	3,377 1 6	9,008 15 6	
	Carried forward	28,254,879	117,728 13 3	137,961 4 8	20,789 2 -	102,396 9 8	243,047 6 6	504,194 2 10	71,334 3 5	5,027 12 11	228,830 10 6	305,192 6 10	809,386 9 8	

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		FIRE BRIGADE.	BRIDGE EXPENSES.	GENERAL CHARGES.	TOTAL	
		Working expenses for the year.		Sewerage and other works, Establishment charges, &c.		
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
		6 4 10	5,421 19 -	249,308 14 2	111,826 18 -	876,890 13 8
	Brought forward ...	4 3 5	5,027 12 11	228,830 10 6	305,192 6 10	809,386 9 8
36	POPLAR DISTRICT—					
	All Saints' Poplar ...	£3 19 2	60 5 2	2,763 7 9	3,678 12 1	9,840 5 10
	St. Mary, Stratford-le-Bow ...	1 3 2	26 4 7	1,199 1 11	1,597 9 8	4,279 12 8
	St. Leonard, Bromley ...	1 7 4	40 5 5	1,839 5 2	2,450 17 11	6,568 15 2
		8 9 8	126 15 2	5,801 14 10	7,726 19 8	20,688 13 8
37	ST. SAVIOUR'S DISTRICT—					
	Christchurch ...	£1 1 1	18 12 3	838 7 10	1,121 1 2	3,024 2 4
	St. Saviour, incl. Liberty of Clerk	2 6 6	39 7 -	1,802 - 8	2,399 14 2	6,423 11 -
		2 7 7	57 19 3	2,640 8 6	3,520 15 4	9,447 13 4
38	PLUMSTEAD DISTRICT—					
	Charlton next Woolwich ...	£1 9 8	9 12 5	437 14 8	583 16 9	1,567 9 7
	Plumstead ...	10 10	18 14 4	846 6 9	1,130 11 11	3,044 7 4
	Eltham ...	17 -	7 7 10	339 - 6	451 5 4	1,206 18 8
	Lee... ..	1 4 9	23 4 1	1,059 13 9	1,412 2 7	3,784 19 2
	Kidbrooke ...	2 5 -	3 13 8	168 12 1	224 10 9	601 1 10
		5 7 3	62 12 4	2,851 7 9	3,802 7 4	10,204 16 7
39	LEWISHAM DISTRICT—					
	Lewisham, including Sydenham					
	Chapelry ...	£44 13 11	78 18 4	3,590 5 8	4,788 17 11	12,858 11 2
	Hamlet of Penge ...	10 4	29 8 6	1,345 5 7	1,792 4 5	4,801 5 5
		4 3	108 6 10	4,935 11 3	6,581 2 4	17,659 16 7
40	ST. OLAVE DISTRICT—					
	St Olave ...	£10 14 -	18 6 1	851 - 1	1,129 - 2	3,000 13 -
	St. Thomas, Southwark ...	1 15 6	2 13 3	121 15 5	162 4 2	434 8 10
	St. John, Horselydown...	7 19 6	13 7 9	615 7 9	818 15 -	2,187 18 7
		9 -	34 7 1	1,588 3 3	2,109 19 4	5,623 - 5
41	THE CHARTERHOUSE ...					
42	GRAY'S INN ...	1 4	1 8 3	69 8 9	90 18 4	235 10 11
		11 3	2 17 2	130 3 3	173 11 8	465 18 5
43	THE CLOSE OF THE COLLEGE					
	CHURCH OF ST. PETER ...					
44	INNER TEMPLE...	7 2	...	18 6 2	27 13 4	58 7 8
45	MIDDLE TEMPLE ...	7 1	...	122 11 4	179 18 5	368 2 7
46	LINCOLN'S INN ...	- 7	...	74 7 1	109 7 8	224 6 9
47	STAPLE INN ...	10 1	...	105 7 6	154 17 7	317 6 8
48	FURNIVAL'S INN ...	10 8	...	14 2 5	20 13 1	42 1 8
		15 6	...	20 17 6	30 13 -	62 14 8
Carried forward ...				34,973		897 9 3
				34,973		897 9 3

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				MAIN DRAINAGE.	FIRE BRIGADE.	BRIDGE EXPENSES.	GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS, AND UNDER VARIOUS ACTS.	TOTAL.	FIRE BRIGADE. Working Expenses for the year.	BRIDGE EXPENSES.	GENERAL CHARGES.		TOTAL					
											Sewerage and other works, Establishment charges, &c.							
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
		30,537,188	127,238 5 8	149,105 3 2	22,468 7 2	110,427 2 6	263,063 2 10	545,063 15 8		77,096 4 10	5,421 19 -	249,308 14 2	111,826 18 -		876,890 13			
	Brought forward	£ 28,254,879	117,728 13 3	137,961 4 8	20,789 2 -	102,396 9 8	243,047 6 6	504,194 2 10		£ 71,334 3 5	£ 5,027 12 11	£ 228,830 10 6	£ 305,192 6 10		£ 809,386 9 8			
36	POPLAR DISTRICT— All Saints, Poplar £338,641 St. Mary, Stratford-le-Bow ... 147,409 St. Leonard, Bromley 226,314			1,653 10 - 719 15 2 1,105 - 10	249 3 3 108 9 2 166 10 3	1,227 4 11 534 4 3 820 3 5	3,031 15 7 1,319 14 5 2,026 2 9	6,161 13 9 2,682 3 - 4,117 17 3		854 19 2 372 3 2 571 7 4	60 5 2 26 4 7 40 5 5	2,763 7 9 1,199 1 11 1,839 5 2	3,678 12 1 1,597 9 8 2,450 17 11		9,840 5 10 4,279 12 8 6,568 15 2			
		712,364	2,968 3 8	3,478 6 -	524 2 8	2,581 12 7	6,377 12 9	12,961 14 -		1,798 9 8	126 15 2	5,801 14 10	7,726 19 8		20,688 13 8			
37	ST. SAVIOUR'S DISTRICT— Christchurch £104,590 St. Saviour, incl. Liberty of Cl n k 221,147			510 13 10 1,079 16 2	70 8 1 301 8 10	379 - 9 801 8 10	936 7 6 1,979 17 7	1,903 1 2 4,023 16 10		264 1 1 558 6 6	18 12 3 39 7 -	838 7 10 1,802 - 8	1,121 1 2 2,399 14 2		3,024 2 4 6,423 11 -			
		325,737	1,357 4 9	1,590 10 -	70 8 1	1,180 9 7	2,916 5 1	5,926 18 -		822 7 7	57 19 3	2,640 8 6	3,520 15 4		9,447 13 4			
38	PLUMSTEAD DISTRICT— Charlton next Woolwich ... £54,060 Plumstead 105,179 Eltham 41,531 Lee... .. 130,409 Kidbrooke 20,695			263 19 2 513 11 3 202 15 7 636 15 - 101 1 -	39 15 7 77 7 10 30 11 2 95 19 - 15 4 7	195 18 4 381 3 5 150 10 3 472 12 1 75 - -	483 19 9 941 12 11 371 16 4 1,167 10 6 185 5 6	983 12 10 1,913 15 5 755 13 4 2,372 16 7 376 11 1		136 9 8 265 10 10 104 17 - 329 4 9 52 5 -	9 12 5 18 14 4 7 7 10 23 4 1 3 13 8	437 14 8 846 6 9 339 - 6 1,059 13 9 168 12 1	583 16 9 1,130 11 11 451 5 4 1,412 2 7 224 10 9		1,567 9 7 3,044 7 4 1,206 18 8 3,784 19 2 601 1 10			
		351,874	1,466 2 10	1,718 2 -	258 18 2	1,275 4 1	3,150 5 -	6,402 9 3		888 7 3	62 12 4	2,851 7 9	3,802 7 4		10,204 16 7			
39	LEWISHAM DISTRICT— Lewisham, including Sydenham Chapelry £443,502 Hamlet of Penge 165,375			2,165 10 2 807 9 7	326 6 3 121 13 7	1,607 5 4 599 6 6	3,970 11 6 1,480 11 4	8,069 13 3 3,009 1 -		1,119 13 11 417 10 4	78 18 4 29 8 6	3,590 5 8 1,345 5 7	4,788 17 11 1,792 4 5		12,858 11 2 4,801 5 5			
		608,877	2,536 19 9	2,972 19 9	447 19 10	2,206 11 10	5,451 2 10	11,078 14 3		1,537 4 3	108 6 10	4,935 11 3	6,581 2 4		17,659 16 7			
40	ST. OLAVE DISTRICT— St Olave £102,864 St. Thomas, Southwark ... 14,962 St. John, Horselydown... .. 75,249			502 5 2 73 1 - 367 8 5	75 13 8 11 - 3 55 7 3	372 15 8 54 4 5 272 14 1	920 18 4 133 19 - 673 13 10	1,871 12 10 272 4 8 1,369 3 7		259 14 - 37 15 6 189 19 6	18 6 1 2 13 3 13 7 9	851 - 1 121 15 5 615 7 9	1,129 - 2 162 4 2 818 15 -		3,000 13 - 434 8 10 2,187 18 7			
		193,075	804 9 7	942 14 7	142 1 2	699 14 2	1,728 11 2	3,513 1 1		487 9 -	34 7 1	1,588 3 3	2,109 19 4		5,623 - 5			
41	THE CHARTERHOUSE	7,949	33 2 5	38 16 2	5 17 -	28 16 1	71 3 4	144 12 7		20 1 4	1 8 3	69 8 9	90 18 4		235 10 11			
42	GRAY'S INN	16,067	66 18 11	78 9 -	11 16 5	58 4 6	143 16 10	292 6 9		40 11 3	2 17 2	130 3 3	173 11 8		465 18 5			
43	THE CLOSE OF THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER	3,707	15 8 11	18 2 -	2 14 7	...	9 17 9	30 14 4		9 7 2	...	18 6 2	27 13 4		58 7 8			
44	INNER TEMPLE... ..	22,717	94 13 1	110 18 5	16 14 3	...	60 11 6	188 4 2		57 7 1	...	122 11 4	179 18 5		368 2 7			
45	MIDDLE TEMPLE	13,875	57 16 3	67 15 -	10 4 2	...	36 19 11	114 19 1		35 - 7	...	74 7 1	109 7 8		224 6 9			
46	LINCOLN'S INN	19,608	81 14 -	95 14 10	14 8 7	...	52 5 8	162 9 1		49 10 1	...	105 7 6	154 17 7		317 6 8			
47	STAPLE INN	2,587	10 15 7	12 12 7	1 18 -	...	6 18 -	21 8 7		6 10 8	...	14 2 5	20 13 1		42 1 8			
48	FURNIVAL'S INN	3,872	16 2 8	18 18 2	2 17 -	...	10 6 6	32 1 8		9 15 6	...	20 17 6	30 13 -		62 14 8			
		£30,537,188	127,238 5 8															
EXTRA METROPOLITAN DISTRICTS— For Assessment to the Main Drainage portion of the Board's annual expenditure, in addition to charges for Main Drainage Debt.*																		
49	HORNSEY LOCAL BOARD			...	...	...	...	...		...	...	1,385 12 5	1,385 12 5		1,385 12 5			
50	SOUTH HORNSEY LOCAL BOARD			...	...	...	...	...		...	...	491 1 4	491 1 4		491 1 4			
51	BECKENHAM LOCAL BOARD			...	...	...	...	...		...	...	229 - 4	229 - 4		229 - 4			
				£ 149,105 3 2	22,468 7 2	110,427 2 6	263,063 2 10	545,063 15 8		77,096 4 10	5,421 19 -	249,308 14 2	331,826 18 -					

Carried forward £876,890 13 8

£ s. d.
Brought forward ... 876,890 13 8

And that the following further charges on extra Metropolitan Districts for Interest on, and re-payment of, Main Drainage debt, to be carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund—be approved and included in the before-mentioned Precepts—

Hornsey Local Board ...	...	£1,808 4 10	
South Hornsey Local Board ...	...	637 14 1	
Beckenham Local Board ...	...	313 7 8	
			2,759 6 7
			<u>£879,650 - 3</u>

Note—

The Total amounts payable by the extra Metropolitan Districts, are as follows—

	Interest on, and Instalments for Re-payment of Main Drainage Loans.			Contributions to Working Expenses, for Main Drainage system.			T T A.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Hornsey Local Board...	1,808	4	10	1,385	12	5	3,193	17	3
South Hornsey ...	637	14	1	491	1	4	1,128	15	5
Beckenham ...	313	7	8	229	-	4	542	8	-
	<u>2,759</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>2,105</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4,865</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8</u>

The Accountant laid before the Board the Precepts to the City of London, and the several Parishes, Districts, &c., prepared in accordance with the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Precepts now presented be approved, and that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the same; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That application be made to the Chamberlain of the City of London, and to the undermentioned Vestries and District Boards, for payment of that portion of the Government contribution, to be received by them in the year 1886, which represents the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate in respect of Government property not included in the Valuation Lists, as follows—

Parishes, &c.	Ratable value.	Amounts receivable.			
	£	£	s.	d.	£ s. d.
City of London—					
Allhallows, Barking ...	£1,292	34	0	7	
Allhallows, Staining ...	564	14	17	1	
St. Ann and St. Agnes ...	1,980	52	3	2	
St. Benet Fink ...	1,526	40	3	11	
St. Bennet, Paul's Wharf ...	2,834	74	12	10	
St. Botolph, Aldersgate ...	372	9	15	10	
St. Bride ...	625	16	9	3	
Christchurch, Newgate-street ...	3,030	79	15	11	
St. Dunstan-in-the-East ...	3,212	84	12	0	
St. Dunstan-in-the-West ...	754	19	17	2	
St. Giles, Cripplegate ...	1,667	43	19	3	
St. Gregory by St. Paul ...	834	21	19	3	
St. James, Duke-place ...	24	-	12	8	
St. John Zachary ...	515	13	11	4	
St. Katharine Cree Church ...	150	3	19	1	
St. Leonard, Eastcheap ...	100	2	12	8	
St. Leonard, Foster-lane ...	4,486	118	3	2	
St. Margaret, Lothbury ...	635	16	14	6	
St. Mary, Aldermary ...	334	8	15	10	
St. Mary-at-Hill ...	2,132	56	3	-	
St. Mary Magdalen, Fish-street ...	2,000	52	13	6	
St. Mary Woolnoth ...	625	16	9	3	
St. Michael Bassishaw ...	1,250	32	18	5	
St. Michael, Cornhill ...	504	13	5	5	
St. Michael le Queen ...	305	8	-	8	
St. Olave, Hart-street ...	59	1	11	-	
St. Olave, Old Jewry ...	1,280	33	14	3	
St. Peter, Paul's Wharf ...	584	15	7	7	
St. Sepulchre ...	400	10	10	8	
		<u>34,073</u>			897 9 3
Carried forward ...		34,073			897 9 3

Parishes, &c.				Rateable value.		Amounts receivable.					
				£	£	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				...	34,073	...	...	...	897	9	3
St. Marylebone	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	95	18	3
St. Pancras	...	...	...	...	3,264	...	...	...	48	19	5
Lambeth	...	...	...	...	1,670	...	...	...	40	16	10
St. George, Hanover-square	...	...	...	...	1,390	...	...	...	162	2	11
St. Mary, Islington	...	...	...	...	5,518	...	...	...	98	14	1
St. Matthew, Bethnal-green	...	...	...	...	3,359	...	...	...	8	16	4
Camberwell	...	...	...	...	300	...	...	...	9	10	8
St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell	...	...	...	...	325	...	...	...	86	11	3
St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark	...	...	...	...	2,946	...	...	...	19	1	4
St. George-in-the-East	...	...	...	...	650	...	...	...	8	16	4
Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town	...	...	...	...	300	...	...	...	5	11	5
Woolwich...	...	...	...	...	190	...	...	...	1,207	19	
Rotherhithe	...	...	...	...	41,111	...	...	...	8	9	5
Westminster District—				...	287	...	...	...	1,662	3	10
St. Margaret and St. John the Evangelist	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Greenwich District—				...	56,566	...	...	...			
St. Paul, Deptford, including Hatcham	...	...	...	6,787	...	199	8	8			
St. Nicholas, Deptford	...	...	...	2,200	...	64	12	10			
Greenwich	...	...	...	9,125	...	268	2	8			
					11,325				532	4	2
Wandsworth District											
Clapham	...	...	...	80	...	2	7	0			
St. Mary, Battersea	...	...	...	140	...	4	2	2			
Wandsworth	...	...	...	110	...	3	4	8			
					330				9	12	10
Hackney District—				...	92	...	...	...	2	14	-
Hackney	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Strand District—				...	917	...	...	...	27	1	8
St. Anne, Soho	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
St. Saviour's District—				...	150	...	...	...	4	8	2
St. Saviour	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Plumstead District—				...	1,558	45	17	7			
Charlton	...	...	...	21,760	...	639	8	0			
Plumstead	...	...	...	41	...	1	5	11			
Eltham	...	...	...	2,000	...	58	15	4			
Kidbrooke	...	...	...		25,362				745	6	10
Lewisham District—				...	72	...	...	...	2	2	3
Lewisham	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
					£196,984	£	5,684	11	3		

11. The Clerk presented a Report, as follows—

Spring-gardens, 21st April, 1886.

I present copies of the following Annual Reports of Vestries and District Boards for the year ending 25th March, 1885, sent to the Board's office pursuant to the 198th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, which Reports had not been received at the date of my last Report, viz.—

Bethnal-green Vestry.
Clerkenwell Vestry.
Fulham District Board.
Hackney District Board.
Islington Vestry.
Lambeth Vestry.
Lewisham District Board.
Limehouse District Board.
Mile-end Old-town Vestry.
Paddington Vestry.
Plumstead District Board.

Rotherhithe Vestry.
St. George, Hanover-square, Vestry.
St. George-the-Martyr Vestry.
St. Luke, Middlesex, Vestry.
St. Martin-in-the-Fields Vestry.
St. Marylebone Vestry.
St. Olave District Board.
St. Pancras Vestry.
Shoreditch Vestry.
Strand District Board.

The only Vestry which has not sent in its Report for the year ending the 25th March, 1885, is the Vestry of Newington. I have made three special applications for the Report, but at present all that I have been able to obtain is a promise that it shall be published at the earliest possible date.

(Signed) J. E. WAKEFIELD,
Clerk of the Board.

It was moved, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st April, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Materials.	
NEWINGTON.				
Larissa-street, Walworth ... |	160	| 12-inch	| pipe	| Recommended as applied for.
GREENWICH.				
A new road out of Clifton-road |	320	| 12 "	| "	| Recommended as applied for.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st April, 1886, on applications from the following Vestries, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of Applications	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
HAMPSTEAD.					
1886. 17th April.	Fleet-road, from Park-road to Pond-street	Paving	3 weeks	3 weeks	Park and London Roads
ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.					
20th "	Rupert-street, Upper Rupert-street, Archer-street, Great Windmill-street, upper part of, Lexington-street, Regent - place, Norris-street, Market-street, Carlton-street	Re-paving carriage-ways	2 weeks each	3 weeks each	These are unimportant streets as regards the general carriage traffic through them.
CAMBERWELL.					
20th "	Lyndhurst-grove, between Lyndhurst and Talfourd Roads	Sewerage	2 weeks	2 weeks	

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestries, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

14. The Engineer presented a Report and Return, as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring-gardens,
21st April, 1886.

SPECIAL CLERKS OF WORKS.

In compliance with the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd May, 1874 (No. 22), I submit herewith a Return showing the names of the several Special Clerks of Works in the employ of the Board, the wages paid to them and the works upon which they are at present engaged.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Names.	Wages per Week.	Works engaged upon.
MR. LOVICK'S DISTRICT.		
Fisk, G. T.	£3 3 0	Assisting in sewerage and drainage, and Thames-floods prevention works, and in general duties in the Eastern part of the District.
Panter, T.	3 3 0	Holloway and Northern High Level Sewers Relief Lines.
Larkin, G.	3 3 0	
Wighton, T.	3 3 0	
Driffield, J.	3 3 0	
Boyden, J.	3 3 0	
Pope, J.	3 3 0	Queen's-road, Dalston, &c., Sewer.
Fixter, J.	3 3 0	
Carter, J.	3 3 0	
Lake, J.	3 3 0	
Hewett, E., Jun.	2 16 0	Finchley-road Sewer Ventilation.
MR. GRANT'S DISTRICT.		
Noble, H. A.	4 4 0	{ Assisting in sewerage and drainage works, and in general duties in the Southern part of the District.
Johnson, T.	3 3 0	
Bedloe, C.	3 3 0	{ Clapham to Putney Sewers.
Judd, J.	3 3 0	
Daw, H.	3 3 0	
MR. BAZALGETTE'S DISTRICT (BRIDGES).		
Carey, T. M.	3 3 0	{ Hammersmith (new) Bridge.
Rice, H.	3 3 0	
Boag, A.	3 3 0	{ Putney (new) Bridge.
Gooding, J.	3 3 0	
Beecher, H.	3 3 0	Lambeth Bridge, Painting, &c., works.
Bastable, F.	3 3 0	
Hewett, E., Sen.	2 2 0	Albert Bridge, strengthening works; and Bridge, general works. Slopping and cleansing roads, &c., of the various Bridges under the control of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report and Return be received, and that they be printed, and be circulated among the Members of the Board.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st April, 1886, stating that Mr. J. McDougall, a Surveyor in his Department, was still absent from his duties, in consequence of illness, and recommending that he be granted leave of absence for a month, and submitting a Medical Certificate as to his state of health.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That one month's further leave of absence be granted to Mr. McDougall, and that the Engineer do report further at the end of that period, if necessary.

16. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee on the River Lee had met again on the 16th instant, and that the undermentioned further witnesses had been examined—

Mr. George Eades Eachus, C.E., Engineer to the Edmonton Local Board of Health,

Mr. W. A. H. De Pape, C.E., Surveyor to the Tottenham Local Board of Health,

and he presented a printed copy of the evidence taken, and reported that the Committee would meet again on the 14th May next.

17. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

18. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to appoint Arbitrators or issue Jury Warrants on behalf of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman or Deputy-Chairman of the Board, or the late Deputy-Chairman of the Board, be authorised to do the following acts, that is to say, to give directions for the appointment of Arbitrators, and to affix the Seal of the Board to any Jury Warrants, appointments of Arbitrators, offers of Compensation, Deeds, Agreements and Documents which it may be necessary, as matters of emergency, to seal before the next Meeting of the Board, and to make application to the Board of Trade, and to appoint an Umpire in all cases of emergency, and, in all cases where that course may be proper, to authorise the Clerk to sign the above mentioned documents, or any of them.

19. The Solicitor reported that the arrangements for the undermentioned Loans had been completed, and that the Cheques had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities.

					AMOUNT OF LOAN.
Guardians of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union	...	...	...	...	£13,700
Do.	do.	do.	...	...	6,200
School Board for London	...	...	...	...	100,000

20. The Solicitor read a Report, as follows—

21st April, 1886.

MOORE v. THE LAMBETH WATERWORKS COMPANY.

I annex Report from the "Times" of the trial of this important case before the Court of Appeal, consisting of Lord Esher and Lords Justices Lindley and Lopes, on the 17th instant, I would remind the Board that it involved the question whether the Lambeth Water Company was responsible for an accident, which occurred in consequence of one of the fire-plugs at Streatham-green projecting about $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch above the foot pavement which was made of asphalte. The case was tried before Mr. Justice Day, when a verdict was given for the Plaintiff with £600 damages. It was not suggested that the fire-plug was out of order, but it appeared that the asphalte paving had by some cause worn away. This was an appeal from Mr. Justice Day's ruling that the Water Company was responsible, and the Court of Appeal has now reversed this decision, holding the Water Company not liable. Whether the Local Authority responsible for the repair of the roads and footways incurred liability was not under discussion.

The Board probably would wish to refer this Report to the Works and General Purposes Committee, who have under consideration certain points as to Hydrants and Fire-plugs in the Metropolis.

(Signed) R. WARD,
Solicitor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for information.

21. The Solicitor presented, for sealing, a Contract with Mr. H. Farmer, for letting the sheep grazing in Finsbury-park for one year, from 25th March, 1886, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 9th instant, (No. 6).

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Agreement; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

22. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 9th instant (No. 4), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Brunswick-street, Homerton	...	...	...	...	} Hackney.
Retreat-place, &c.	...	...	...	...	
Lomond-street...	...	...	...	...	} St. Pancras.
Little Brook-street, &c.	...	...	...	...	
Mansfield-road (part)	...	...	...	...	

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

23. The Clerk reported, with reference to the sanction granted by the Board on the 26th May, 1882, to Mr. Josiah Culpeck to establish anew the business of a Fellmonger, at premises on the Western side of Hyson-road, Galley-wall-road, Bermondsey, that the alterations which the Board required to be made to the premises had been satisfactorily completed; that Mr. Culpeck had given the undertaking required by the Board as to the proper conduct of the business, and that the Board's formal consent, under Seal, might be issued.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the usual form of Order, and that it be issued to Mr. Culpeck.

The Clerk then laid before the Board the form of Order accordingly, and the Seal of the Board was affixed thereto.

24. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. G. Calcraft, Board of Trade, dated 15th April, 1886, stating that the Promoters of the South Metropolitan Tramway Scheme were not in a position to proceed further with their application for a Provisional Order, and that the Order would consequently not be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

25. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. S. B. Provis, Local Government Board, dated 15th April, 1886, again asking for an approximate estimate of the Board's outstanding debts at the end of the year 1884, in respect of Street Improvements and Embankments.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

26. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. W. Marsden, Clerk to the Vestry of Camberwell, dated 15th April, 1886, transmitting a Memorial asking that a Fire Engine Station, Fire-escape, and Fire-alarm posts might be established at Nunhead, and expressing the hope of the Vestry that the Board would comply with the application of the Memorialists.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter and Memorial be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration and report.

27. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

St. Paul's, Deptford.

Vestry Clerk's Offices,

20, Tanner's-hill, Broadway, Deptford, S.E.

16th April, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I have to inform you that at a Meeting of my Vestry last evening, duly convened by notice to consider the advisability of making application to your Board to alter the numbers of representatives at the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, elected by the several Parishes in the said District, the following Resolution was unanimously carried—

“That this Vestry do apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works to alter the number
“of representatives at the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, elected by
“the Vestry of this Parish, in accordance with the results of the Census of 1881.”

I am further directed by my Vestry to submit to your Board the opinion of my Vestry that, having regard to the results shown by the Census of 1881, the number of representatives elected by this Parish ought to be increased from 42 to 57.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. W. MARCHANT,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

28. The Clerk presented Letters, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Westminster District.

Town-hall, Westminster, S.W.

16th April, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by this Board to make application to the Metropolitan Board of Works for authority to borrow and for the advance of £2,800 to defray the cost of paving with wood the carriage ways of the following thoroughfares—

Caxton-street ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£1,000
Chapter-street ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,100
Moreton-street ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	360
Palmer-street ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	400

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. E. SMITH,

Clerk to the Board.

The Clerk to the
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

The Board of Works for the Westminster District.

Town-hall, Westminster, S.W.,

16th April, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by this Board to make application to the Metropolitan Board of Works for authority to borrow, and for the advance of, £2,400, to defray the cost of paving with asphalt the undermentioned places—

Little George-street (James-street) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£450
Union-court ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	112
Romney-place ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	173
Laundry-yard ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100
Hide-place ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	300
Delahay-street ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	600
St. Anne's-street ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	250
Coburg-row ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	440

Should the request be acceded to, I am to request that the re-payment of the Loan be extended over as long a period as possible.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. E. SMITH,

Clerk to the Board.

The Clerk to the
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letters be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

29. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. R. Paget, Clerk to the Vestry of Clerkenwell, dated 16th April, 1886, expressing the opinion of the Vestry that the Coal and Wine Duties would form a suitable fund to be appropriated to the preservation of Open Spaces, and hoping that the Duties might be continued.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

30. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. Heath, Secretary of the Leather-lane Improvement Committee, dated 19th April, 1886, asking the Board to receive a Deputation of the Committee, and of householders, on the subject of the widening of the narrow entrance to the Lane from Holborn.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Deputation be received by the Board on the 7th May next at Twelve o'clock at noon.

31. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. Parish, Clerk to the Erith Local Board, dated 19th April, 1886, urging with regard to the Metropolitan Sewage Discharge that

the works proposed by the Board, which the Local Board were of opinion would be only a temporary remedy for the purification of the Thames, should be completed by the end of 1887.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

32. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead.

Vestry-hall, Hampstead, N.W.,
17th April, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to my Letter to you of the 15th instant on the subject of constructing a new road through the grounds of the Blind School near the Swiss-cottage and Belsize-park, and asking the Metropolitan Board of Works to contribute one-half of the cost of acquiring the necessary land for the purpose, estimated at £4,682, I omitted to state that, in addition to the cost of the land, the Vestry (subject to the approval of the Plan and the contribution by the Metropolitan Board) will have to bear the expense of making the road and the necessary Sewer estimated at £2,115.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

33. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Dewey, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 19th April, 1886, stating that the Vestry had passed a Resolution that the conversion of the footpath between the two Northern portions of Highbury-fields into a carriage-road would be detrimental to the public and that they had accordingly directed that the footpath should be tar-paved and column lamps erected down the centre thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration and report.

34. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Bray, Contractor for Wheels for the Fire Brigade, dated 21st April, 1886, asking for a payment of £200 on account of his bills for repairs and new Wheels for the two quarters ended the 31st March last.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Robson, and *resolved*—That the application be acceded to, and that a Cheque for £200 be now drawn in favour of Mr. Bray; and a Cheque was drawn on the Fire Brigade Working Account accordingly.

35. Mr. Shepherd handed in a Letter from Mr. J. Harrison, Clerk to the Vestry of Bermondsey, dated 20th April, 1886, with a copy of a Report of the General Purposes Committee, adopted by the Vestry, on the subject of the cleansing and ventilation of Sewers, and the Report made by the Committee of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter and Report be referred to the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee.

36. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

141, Greenwich-road,
Greenwich, S.E.,
21st April, 1886.

SIR,—This Board is purchasing of the Metropolitan Board of Works a piece of land at Deptford Bridge for £3,000. This Board has sold two portions of the land for £2,050, and will lay out the remainder as a road. I am instructed to ask the Metropolitan Board of Works to

advance the difference between these two amounts, £950, re-payable in instalments extending over as long a period as the regulations of the Metropolitan Board will allow.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. SPENCER,
Clerk of the Board.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor, the Superintending Architect and the Accountant, do report to the Committee thereon.

37. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Bath, dated 20th April, 1886, stating that Mr. Gard, of Dunstable, was desirous of submitting his patent for the treatment of Sewage to a trial by the Board, and asking for the necessary instructions.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. W. Beal, dated 20th April, 1886, enquiring on behalf of the Committee for Accounts, and for General Purposes, appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions for the County of Middlesex, whether this Board consider that the County could borrow from them, under their Money Acts, upon mortgage of the County Rates.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

39. CHELSEA.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st April, 1886, relative to the decease of Mr. S. Wood, late District Surveyor for the District of Chelsea.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the question of the arrangements to be made for filling the vacancy be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That Mr. William Alfred Large be, and he is hereby appointed to act as temporary substitute in the District of Chelsea.

40. BERMONDSEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. L. R. Ford, on behalf of Messrs. M. C. Duffy and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey building at the rear of No. 80, Stork's-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the building therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

41. CHELSEA.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. M. James, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on a portion of the forecourt of No. 97, King's-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

42. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Hards, on behalf of Mr. W. Moody, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house on the South side of Lower Woolwich-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 43. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Eve, on behalf of Mr. J. Loat, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the South side of Acre-lane, Brixton, at the corner of Strathleven-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 44. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Muggeridge and Powell, on behalf of Mr. W. Dunham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop upon land adjoining No. 119, Kennington-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 45. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Phillips and Son, on behalf of Captain J. F. Sandeman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch to the front entrance of No. 31, Chesham-street, Eaton-square, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the porch therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 46. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. B. Worthington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourt of Dukes' Wharf, Buckingham-palace-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 47. ST. MARYLEBONE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Payne, on behalf of Mr. W. M. Baker, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open stone portico, and a bay-window on the first and second floors of No. 11, Harley-street, Cavendish-square, to the lines shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the portico and bay-window therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, further enclosed, altered, or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 48. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Harbrow, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of two temporary wood and iron cricket pavilions upon vacant land adjoining Priory Farm, Honor-oak.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the

License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the buildings, and that the whole of the work be to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 49. LEWISHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. J. Clifton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wooden green-house at the rear of No. 16, Dacres-road, Forest-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 50. ST. LUKE, OLD-STREET.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Burgess, on behalf of Messrs. J. S. Fry and Sons, for approval by the Board of a Plan for a proposed alteration in the position of Cross-street, Lever-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 51. ST. OLAVE, SOUTHWARK.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Dunnage, on behalf of the Proprietors of Hays Wharf, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of warehouses extending over part of Counter-street, Tooley-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Tolhurst, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted.

- 52. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on a Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, asking this Board to re-consider their decision, sanctioning the formation of Weiss-road, Lower Richmond-road, Putney.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 53. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. B. F'Anson, on behalf of the Trustees of the Bowyer Estate, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of High-street, Clapham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 54. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of stables, with dwelling rooms over the same, in Kingsgate-mews, Quex-road, Kilburn, without the open space at the rear thereof, required by the Metropolis Management Amendment Act and the Metropolitan Building Act.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 55. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on a further Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, relative to proceedings taken by him with reference to the construction of a flue at a house in Ravenshaw-street, and asking the opinion of the Board as to the advisability of an appeal against the Magistrate's decision in the case.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 56. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Payne, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of Fees for special services performed by him in certifying that the chimney-breasts in the party-walls between the following premises might be cut away—

Nos. 58 and 58A, Lauriston-road; Nos. 202 and 204, Well-street; Nos. 204 and 206, Well-street; Nos. 198 and 200 Well-street (two chimney-breasts); and Nos. 39 and 40, Valentine-street (two chimney-breasts).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Ten shillings in respect of each of the first three cases, and a Fee of Twenty shillings in each of the other two cases referred to.

- 57. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on a Letter from Messrs. Warburton and De Paula, requesting to be informed of the Board's reasons for not approving the Plan submitted by Messrs. Dyke and Miller for the formation of a 20 feet paved foot-way to lead out of Stoke Newington-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

- 58. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of the Rev. L. Egan, D.D., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Church on vacant land adjoining No. 258, Cambridge-road, South Hackney.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

Adjourned until Friday, the 7th May next, at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 17.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **7th** day of **May**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, ESQ., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.	FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER, ESQ.	COLONEL MUNRO.
WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, ESQ.	JOHN BONTHRON, ESQ.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, ESQ.
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JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD, ESQ.	RETT, ESQ.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND-
ALFRED EWIN, ESQ.	EDWIN LAWRENCE, ESQ.	SAY, ESQ.
EDWARD RIDER COOK, ESQ., M.P.	BENJAMIN WEIR, ESQ.	HENRY HARBEN, ESQ.
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FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQ., F.R.C.S., Eng.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.	ARDSON, ESQ.
GEORGE PHILLIPS, ESQ.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, ESQ.	ROBERT JONES, ESQ.
FREDERICK COX, ESQ.	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, ESQ.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR-
	JOHN REDDISH, ESQ.	CLOUGH, ESQ.
	JOHN JONES, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBSON, ESQ.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board, held on the 16th and 21st April last, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings respectively.
2. A Deputation from the Vestry of St. Paul, Deptford, introduced by Mr. Andrews, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. A. J. Dickinson, Mr. R. Wallbutton, Mr. E. J. Brennan, Mr. J. D. Smith, Mr. E. G. G. Bax, Mr. H. Keylock, Mr. J. W. Schwern, Mr. H. Hawkes, Mr. P. Channell, Mr. E. Knight, Mr. G. Porter, Mr. W. S. Morley, Mr. J. Orsman, Mr. H. Lowe, Mr. J. Webster, and Mr. W. T. Hunt,

Jun., accompanied by Mr. T. W. Marchant, the Vestry Clerk, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the Counties of Kent and Surrey,

SHEWETH,—

That, considering the large population, and the vast amount of trade and manufacturing industry in the riverside districts below London Bridge, and especially having regard to the outlay of public moneys to free the Toll Bridges in the upper portion of the River, your Memorialists submit that it is reasonable that means of free intercommunication across the Thames should be provided, at the public expense, at one or more points below London Bridge.

That, taking into account the trade and population of their own Parish, and the Districts immediately adjacent, your Memorialists consider that no more suitable line of communication across the River Thames could be chosen than one between Deptford and Millwall.

That such a communication would, on the South side of the Thames, be at a convenient point of convergence for the roads leading from the adjacent districts, and would open on the North side upon a populous district and main lines of thoroughfare.

That, while your Memorialists would desire to abstain from unduly pressing their own view of the nature of the communication to be provided, they respectfully submit the desirability of a Subway for passengers and vehicles as affording convenient means of access by day and night without liability to interruption by fog or frost, and without that interference with the general traffic of the Thames, which would be the necessary result of the use of Ferry boats of the exceptional size calculated to carry vehicles as well as foot passengers.

(Signed) ARTHUR J. DICKINSON,
Churchwarden,
St Paul's, Deptford,
On behalf of the Vestry.

The Deputation having been heard in support of the Memorial,

It was moved by Mr. Andrews, seconded, and resolved—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

3. A Deputation from the Leather-lane Improvement Committee, introduced by Mr. Phillips, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Colonel Duncan, M.P., Mr. M. M. Hanly, Mr. C. Heath, Mr. A. Gillett, Mr. P. Kavanagh, Mr. S. Jacobs, Mr. T. Whitehead, Mr. S. Roberts, Mr. A. W. Vokins, Mr. G. A. Pinner, Mr. G. Baldaci, Mr. W. Edney, Mr. A. Rombach, and Mr. T. Licence, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, as follows—

To the Chairman and Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—We the undersigned inhabitants of Leather-lane, and its vicinity, beg, on public grounds, respectfully to invite your attention to the condition of the narrow entrance of Leather-lane from Holborn, caused by a few houses on the East side being built out into the space which should form the road-way.

Also to the great danger to the public, who have to pass up and down on one side (there being no path on the other), the width of the existing path being only 26 inches at one portion, pedestrians are frequently forced into the road-way; whereas, if these houses were thrown back, to continue the line of other buildings, a double path and a wider road-way could be obtained.

In a sanitary respect it would be a boon to the neighbourhood.

We herewith beg to hand you a copy of the Memorial originally presented to our Local Board, which is signed by nearly all the inhabitants of Leather-lane.

Signed this 7th day of May, 1886, on behalf of the Ratepayers and Committee,

(Signed) M. M. HANLY, Chairman,
(„) CHARLES HEATH, Secretary,

The copy Memorial referred to was laid before the Board.

The Deputation having been heard in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Phillips, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

4. This being the day appointed for receiving Tenders for the construction of a Bridge across the Thames at Battersea,

The Clerk laid before the Board sixteen Tenders which he had received pursuant to the Advertisement.

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Tenders be now opened.

The Tenders were then opened, as follows—

	£	s.	d.
Mr. G. B. Godfrey, No. 6, Queen Ann's-gate, Westminster ...	130,000	0	0
Messrs. J. Williams, Son, and Wallington, No. 132, Shepherd's-bush-road ...	143,000	0	0
Messrs. T. Vernon and Co., No. 7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street ...	143,113	0	0
Messrs. Whitaker Brothers, Horsforth, near Leeds ...	144,900	0	0
Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., No. 19, Grosvenor Wharf ...	146,000	0	0
Mr. W. Webster, No. 8, St. Martin's-place ...	148,385	0	0
Messrs. Kirk and Randall, Warren-lane Works, Woolwich ...	149,760	0	0
Messrs. W. Scott and Co., Victoria-buildings, Newcastle-on-Tyne	151,740	0	0
Messrs. Martin, Wells and Co., No. 58, Buckingham-palace-road	156,000	0	0
Messrs. Perry and Co., Tredegar Works, Bow ...	158,000	0	0
Mr. J. Jackson, No. 9, Victoria Chambers, Westminster ...	159,700	0	0
Messrs. Lucas and Aird, No. 37, Great George-street, Westminster ...	162,500	0	0
Messrs. J. Waddell and Sons, No. 4, St. Andrew-square, Edinburgh ...	167,534	18	6
Messrs. Pethick Brothers, Norley Building Yard, Plymouth, Devon ...	174,211	0	0
Messrs. E. Gibb, Skipton, Yorkshire ...	178,767	0	0
Messrs. C. Ingreby and Co., No. 49, Queen Victoria-street ...	192,311	0	0

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do now resolve into a Committee to consider the Tenders, and do meet again at this place at the rising of such Committee.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **7th** day of **May**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

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		JOHN BONTHRON, ESQ.
		ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, ESQ.

1. Mr. Fowler brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD.

Spring-gardens, 7th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the several Tenders for the construction of a Bridge across the Thames at Battersea, referred to them this day, and beg to recommend—

That the Tender of Mr. G. B. Godfrey, for the execution of the works for a sum of £130,000 be accepted, subject to the result of enquiries being satisfactory, and to the names of the Ironfounders to be employed being approved by the Engineer of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
HENRY HARBEN,
W^M. SHEPHERD.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and *resolved*—That the Tender of Mr. G. B. Godfrey, for the construction of a Bridge across the Thames at Battersea, for a sum of £130,000 be accepted, subject to the result of the usual enquiries being satisfactory, and to the names of the Ironfounders to be employed being approved by the Engineer of the Board.

Mr. Godfrey was then called in and informed by the Chairman of the foregoing Resolution, and, in reply to a question, he stated that he was prepared to execute the works in accordance with the Board's Specification, and on the conditions named in the Resolution, and for the amount of his Tender.

2. The Board proceeded to consider the matter of Disagreement between Messrs. Oliver and Leeson, Architects, and Mr. H. Jarvis, District Surveyor, relative to the construction of two staircases at the Alleyn Boys' School, in Townley-road, Dulwich.

Mr. John Robinson, the representative of Messrs. Oliver and Leeson, and Mr. H. Jarvis, the District Surveyor, attended the Board.

Read a Report, as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department,
Spring-gardens,
6th May, 1886.

Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, Sec. 30.

In the matter of a Disagreement between Mr. Henry Jarvis, District Surveyor for St. Giles, Camberwell, and Messrs. Oliver and Leeson, Architects, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, with regard to the construction of two staircases at the Alleyn Boys' School, in Townley-road, Lordship-lane, Dulwich. (35,631.)

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These staircases are respectively 3 feet 9 inches wide, and extend from the basement to the second floor of the School building. The steps are of solid oak, 11½ inches by 9 inches, of spandril section, and have a bearing at one end of 9 inches upon brick walls 18 inches thick.

The landings of the staircases are of solid oak, 6 inches thick, and are pinned into the walls in the same manner as the steps, and are set in cement.

The floors of the corridors leading from the staircases are of concrete on iron girders.

The District Surveyor objects to the staircases as not being in conformity with Section 22 of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, which requires the landings and flights of stairs in every public building to be of stone or other fire-proof material, carried by supports of a fire-proof material.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

Mr. Robinson and Mr. Jarvis addressed the Board, and the Board having considered the statements made by them, and all the facts of the case,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Deputy Saunders, and *resolved*—That the said staircases be approved.

It was thereupon *resolved* and *ordered*, as follows—

Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, Section 30.

Whereas a Disagreement arose between Mr. Henry Jarvis, District Surveyor for the District of St. Giles, Camberwell, and Messrs. Oliver and Leeson, Architects, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, with respect to the construction of a portion of a Public Building—that is to say, two staircases at the Alleyn Boys' School, in Townley-road, Lordship-lane, Dulwich, within the District aforesaid, and it was alleged by the District Surveyor that the construction of the said staircases was not such as could be approved by him. **And Whereas** the Architects have insisted to the contrary, and the Metropolitan Board of Works have been applied to, pursuant to the 30th Section of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, to determine the matter in difference. **And whereas** the parties

7 May, 1886.

have appeared before, and have been heard by this Board on the said matter. Now, this Board, having duly considered the allegations of the said parties respectively, and all that has been stated and proved before them in relation to the said matter of Disagreement, do, in exercise of the powers vested in them by the said Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, hereby ~~order~~ and direct that the said two staircases be constructed in the manner proposed by Messrs. Oliver and Leeson, and described in the foregoing Report by the Superintending Architect.

3. Mr. Deputy Saunders handed in a Letter, as follows—

London, Sewers' Office, Guildhall,
22nd April, 1886.

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—Circumstances have recently come to the knowledge of the Commissioners of Sewers which, in their opinion, render the present an opportune time to extend the Improvement which for some years past they have been gradually effecting in Gracechurch-street, by setting back the premises No. 62 therein, as shown by the red tint upon the accompanying Plan.

For this purpose they have given notice to acquire the said premises, and they will hereafter submit to your Honourable Board an estimate of the expense which will be incurred in setting back the said property, in the confident expectation that you will liberally assist them in effecting this Improvement in one of the most important thoroughfares for traffic in London.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) H^Y. BLAKE,
Principal Clerk.

The Plan referred to was laid before the Board.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Deputy Saunders, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter and Plan be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

4. Mr. Wetenhall handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of Saint Pancras,
General Business Department,
Vestry-hall, Pancras-road,
6th May, 1886.

ASCHAM-STREET AND DUNOLLIE-ROAD.

SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry to refer to the Order of your Board of the 12th February last for the incorporation of Ascham-street with Dunollie-road, and to inform you that in consequence of the Vestry having received a Memorial from the inhabitants of Ascham-street against the proposed incorporation of that thoroughfare, they have re-considered the matter, and have arrived at the conclusion that it would be more expedient for Dunollie-road to be incorporated with Ascham-street, than that the original suggestion should be carried out.

I am therefore to request your Board to revoke their Order of the 12th February last relating to the subject of this Letter, and to issue one in lieu thereof for the incorporation of Dunollie-road with Ascham-street, as the Vestry are of opinion that the streets should be known by one name.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. ECCLESTON GIBB,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

The Clerk laid before the Board a Memorial from Owners of property and householders in Dunollie-road, requesting that when the recommendation of the Vestry of St. Pancras, for the reversal of the Order of the Board of the 12th February last, incorporating Ascham-street, &c., with Dunollie-road, shall be under consideration, due regard might be had to the Act regulating such Orders, and that, as the time for carrying out the Order had elapsed, the Order might not be renewed.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Wetenhall, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Letter and Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

5. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 3rd May, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the Notice from the New River Company, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 44), to the effect that the Company would, on and after the 14th August and the 14th December next, give a constant supply of Water in certain districts or areas in the Parish of Saint Pancras, as described in the Notice. Upon the several previous similar Notices received from the New River Company, and other Water Companies, the Board have decided not to dissent from the proposals, and your Committee recommend a similar course with regard to the present Notice.

Your Committee submit, for the information of the Board, a list of claims settled by them during the three months ended 31st March last.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN TOLHURST,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. SHEPHERD,
J. E. BRADFIELD.

LIST OF CLAIMS SETTLED IN RESPECT OF PROPERTIES TAKEN UNDER THE METROPOLIS LOCAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1855; THE METROPOLITAN STREET IMPROVEMENTS ACTS, 1877 AND 1883; THE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (BRIDGES, &C.) ACTS, 1883 AND 1884; THE ARTIZANS' AND LABOURERS' DWELLINGS IMPROVEMENT ACTS, 1875 TO 1882; AND THE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (VARIOUS POWERS) ACT, 1884, FROM THE 1ST JANUARY TO THE 31ST MARCH, 1886 (INCLUSIVE).

No. on Plan.	Name of Claimant.	Locality.	Nature of Claim.	Amount claimed.	Amount agreed on.	By whom settled.
<i>Bermondsey Improvement.</i>						
40	T. Chase	No. 6, Bermondsey-square ...	Yearly Tenancy ...	£ s. d. 15 0 0	£ s. d. 12 0 0	Architect
45	H. Naylor	Stable and yard at the rear of the "Five Bells" Public-house, Bermondsey-square... ..	Leasehold	137 10 0	100 0 0	Do.
61 and 62	The Central Bank of London	Nos. 14 and 15, Bermondsey New-road	Do.	225 19 11	75 0 0	Do.
56	J. E. Armfield	No. 8, Bermondsey New-road...	Leasehold & Business	5,060 0 0	2,750 0 0	Do. Jury Notice served.
53	A. J. Gauntlett	No. 5, Bermondsey New-road...	Do.	3,644 14 0	925 0 0	Architect.
32	C. Callon	No. 23, Star-corner	Yearly Tenancy and Business	440 0 0	220 0 0	Do.
19	M. Jerman	No. 34, Star-corner	Do.	208 0 0	130 0 0	Do.
42	J. A. Newth	No. 4, Bermondsey-square, &c. ...	Yearly Tenancy ...	276 10 0	75 0 0	Do.
41	A. Hall	No. 5, Bermondsey-square ...	Yearly Tenancy and Business	114 0 0	80 0 0	Do.
20	H. R. Ward	No. 33, Star-corner	Do.	262 0 0	200 0 0	Do.
52	J. Vernon	Nos 3 and 4, Bermondsey New-road	Leasehold & Business	4,523 19 2	1,200 0 0	Do. Jury Notice served.
Part 43	T. Williams	Part of No. 4, Bermondsey-square	Yearly Tenancy ...	100 0 0	80 0 0	Architect
61	Alexr. Burton	No. 14, Bermondsey New-road	Leasehold & Business	2,365 0 0	700 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice served.
48	Isaac Beer	No. 3, Grange-road	Do.	1,014 0 0	350 0 0	Do.
<i>Hampstead Improvement.</i>						
89 to 95 Part of 131	T. Foxwell	Nos. 1 to 7, Yorkshire-grey-yard	Copyhold	1,200 0 0	950 0 0	Architect.
	J. Ralph	No. 52, High-street	Yearly Tenancy and Business	220 0 0	200 0 0	Do.
74, 115 to 121, parts of 122 and 123, 124, 126 to 129	C. B. King	No. 53, High-street, &c. ...	Leasehold & Business	7,081 0 0	4,600 0 0	Do. Jury Notice served.
69	Lord of Manor.. ...	No. 55, High-street (Martin's copyhold)	Enfranchisement of Copyhold... ..	1,134 0 0	935 0 0	Architect.

No. on Plan.	Name of Claimant.	Locality.	Nature of Claim.	Amount claimed.	Amount agreed on.	By whom settled.
<i>Hampstead Improvement—(continued).</i>						
115 to 130	S. Haward ...	No. 51, High-street, &c. and cottages and house over archway in and at rear of Hollybush-vale-yard ...	Copyhold ...	3,000 0 0	2,550 0 0	Architect.
80	W. H. Creed ...	No. 4, Bradley's-buildings ...	Do. ...	467 0 0	400 0 0	Do.
38 to 41 and 47	Lord of Manor...	No. 8, Little Church-row, No. 59, High-street, and Nos. 1 to 4, Baker's-row ...	Redemption of Rent Charge ...	581 0 0	581 0 0	Do.
57 and 58	Ditto ...	Nos. 63 and 64, High-street ...	Do. ...	303 0 0	303 0 0	Do.
56	Ditto ...	"Three Horseshoes" public-house ...	Enfranchisement of Copyhold... ..	815 0 0	700 0 0	Do.
32	Ditto ...	Chapel and two houses adjoining in Little Church-row ...	Do. ...	749 0 0	572 0 0	Do.
42	Ditto ...	Premises in Bradley's-buildings ...	Do. ...	115 0 0	110 0 0	Do.
110	H. J. Gotts ...	No. 1, Church-row ...	Yearly tenancy ...	50 0 0	40 0 0	Do.
27	Lord of Manor...	No. 1, Little Church-row, &c. ...	Enfranchisement of Copyhold... ..	617 0 0	400 0 0	Do.
56	Ditto ...	Premises at the rear of "Three Horseshoes" public-house...	Do. ...	280 0 0	215 0 0	Do.
18 to 23	Ditto ...	Oriel-house, &c., No. 4, Little Church-row, and Nos. 1 to 7, Oriel-cottages ...	Do. ...	1,617 0 0	1,100 0 0	Do.
46	H. C. and J. W. Arrow-smith ...	No. 58, High-street ...	Leasehold & Business	5,133 2 8	1,500 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice served.
125 and 130	John Potter ...	No. 51, High-street and premises in Hollybush-vale-yard ...	Do. ...	1,883 10 0	915 0 0	Verdict of Jury.

Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement.

Part 117	E. Carter ...	Coach-house, &c., in Crown-place ...	Yearly Tenancy ...	50 0 0	35 0 0	Architect.
75	H. E. Clarke ...	Stable, &c., in Crown-place ...	Yearly Tenancy and Business ...	95 0 0	60 0 0	Do.
75a	M. Fanning ...	House at end of court, Crown-place ...	Do. ...	150 0 0	75 0 0	Do.
59	J. H. Lilley ...	No. 18, Denmark-street ...	Freehold ...	1,760 0 0	1,760 0 0	Do.
40	R. Mead ...	No. 63, Crown-street ...	Yearly tenancy ...	108 15 0	100 0 0	Do.
117 (part of)	J. Reynolds ...	Stable, &c., in Crown-place ...	Do. ...	70 0 0	60 0 0	Do.
171	J. Shadford ...	No. 13, Cecil-court ...	Quarterly tenancy ...	25 0 0	20 0 0	Do.
117 (part of)	A. W. Waters ...	Stable, &c., in Crown-place ...	Yearly tenancy ...	60 0 0	40 0 0	Do.
16 (part of)	J. Watson ...	No. 4, New Compton-street ...	Yearly Tenancy and Business ...	197 0 0	100 0 0	Do.
41	J. R. Wilson ...	No. 61, Crown-street ...	Do. ...	436 9 0	275 0 0	Do.
Part of 4	A. Nagle ...	No. 42, Cranbourne-street ...	Do. ...	540 0 0	350 0 0	Do.
" 18	Denman and Burgess	Cellar under Bloomsbury Chapel and Mission Hall ...	Leasehold & Business	548 5 0	450 0 0	Do.
290	B. Lamb ...	No. 2, Crown-street ...	Yearly tenancy and business ...	400 0 0	400 0 0	Do.
27	T. W. J. Coffin ...	No. 79, Crown-street ...	Do. ...	279 0 0	180 0 0	Do.
Part 288	J. Raphael ...	Part of No. 3, Oxford-street ...	Agreement and business ...	635 0 0	250 0 0	Do.
" 288	J. H. L. Pickard ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	770 0 0	650 0 0	Do.
" 152	W. Robinson ...	Part of No. 5, White Hart-court	Yearly tenancy and business ...	433 0 0	286 0 0	Do.
158	Wm. Dray ...	No. 27, Castle-street ...	Leasehold & Business	9,897 0 0	5,000 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice served.
61 and 65	Trustees of Hy. France	No. 16, Denmark-street, and No. 37, Crown-street ...	Freehold ...	3,432 0 0	2,635 0 0	Do.
91	Ditto	No. 34, High-street, St. Giles...	Do. ...	4,246 0 0	2,565 0 0	Verdict of Jury

Southwark-bridge-road to Great Dover-street Communication.

75, 76 and part of 77	W. Nicholson ...	No. 82 and part of No. 84, Red Cross-street ...	Leasehold, Weekly tenancy and Business ...	718 9 0	350 0 0	Architect.
52	W. Stanford ...	Building-ground, &c., corner of King-street and Mint-street	Yearly tenancy and Business ...	227 0 0	65 0 0	Do.
86 and 87	E. E. Willis ...	Nos. 20 and 22, Mint-street ...	Leasehold & Business	5,387 5 8	1,000 0 0	Verdict of Jury by consent.
150, 152, 153 and 154	Trustees of the Bridge House Estate ...	Nos. 107, 108 and 109, Blackman-street and the "Fountain and Grapes" Public-house, Nos. 111 and 112, Blackman-street ...	Freehold ...	No amount stated.	10,375 0 0	Award of Sir H. A. Hunt.

Upper-street, Islington, Improvement.

35	J. Russell ...	No. 318, Upper-street ...	Leasehold & Business	2,511 12 0	1,200 0 0	Architect. Jury Notice sealed.
112	J. Nugent ...	Nos. 162 and 163, Upper-street	No. 163—Freehold £1,530 0 0 No. 162—Leasehold & Business 3,500 0 0	8,030 0 0 3,740 0 0 3,811 9 0	4,800 0 0 3,630 0 0 500 0 0	Architect. Do. Do.
112	J. Nugent's Executors	No. 162, Upper-street ...	Freehold ...	3,740 0 0	3,630 0 0	Do.
56	Islington Dispensary...	No. 303, Upper-street ...	Leasehold & Business	3,811 9 0	500 0 0	Do.
80 to 82	Price and Grimsdell ...	No. 288, Upper-street, &c. ...	Leasehold ...	336 11 3	and site. 328 0 0	Do.
72 to 74	Trustees of Islington Parochial Schools...	Nos. 289 and 290, Upper-street, and No. 79, Cross-street ...	Freehold ...	Consols to produce £180 per annum.	4,710 0 0	Do.
62, 63 and 68	Benjamin Thompson...	Nos. 294, 299, and 300, Upper-street ...	Leasehold & Business	7,407 0 0	2,500 0 0	Verdict of Jury.

No. on Plan.	Name of Claimant.	Locality.	Nature of Claim.	Amount claimed.	Amount agreed on.	By whom settled.
<i>Gray's-inn-road Improvement.</i>						
288	Francis and Co. ...	No. 174, Gray's-inn-road ...	Leasehold & Business	6,460 0 0	5,200 0 0	Architect. Jury Notice served.
288	H. L. Westmoreland and others ...	No. 174, Gray's-inn-road ...	Freehold ...	7,000 0 0	4,530 0 0	Architect. Arbitrators appointed.
<i>Tower-hill Improvement.</i>						
9, part 19, 20, and part 21	Smith and Ebbs ...	Nos. 20 to 23, George-street, and No. 5, Postern-row ...	Leasehold & Business	15,000 0 0	6,400 0 0	Architect. Do.
4	C. Faust... ...	No. 4, Postern-row ...	Do.	1,221 0 0	790 0 0	Jury Notice served.
<i>Green-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement.</i>						
52	G. Bass ...	No. 55, Green-street ...	Leasehold & Business	1,617 0 0	700 0 0	Architect. Jury Notice served.
24	G. A. and C. Simmonds	No. 27, Green-street ...	Do.	1,504 0 0	802 0 0	Solicitor. Jury Notice served.
53	F. A. Scholl ...	No. 57, Green-street ...	Do.	2,320 0 0	1,120 0 0	Do.
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>						
7	I. Gurney ...	No. 261, High-street ...	Leasehold & Business	904 0 0	450 0 0	Architect.
5	J. Penner ...	No. 257, High-street ...	Do.	811 0 0	550 0 0	Do.
3 and 4	H. Trem in ...	Nos. 253 and 255, High-street	Do.	3,045 0 0	1,900 0 0	Do.
<i>South Lambeth Improvement.</i>						
1	A. Kent ...	No. 180, South Lambeth-road...	Leasehold & Business	5,381 4 0	2,700 0 0	Architect. Jury Notice served.
<i>Woolwich Ferry.</i>						
24	S. Lockyer ...	No. 4, Surgeon-street ...	Freehold ...	463 8 4	275 0 0	Architect.
11 and 12	E. F. Leach ...	Nos. 20 and 21, Nile-street ...	Do.	506 0 0	356 0 0	Do.
<i>New Battersea Bridge.</i>						
14	R. Goose ...	No. 40, Battersea Bridge-road	Leasehold & Business	2,040 0 0	1,520 0 0	Architect.
30	R. J. and D. Garland...	No. 32, Battersea Bridge-road	Do.	2,683 11 3	1,106 0 0	Verdict of Jury.
28	F. Alexander ...	The "Two Brewers," No. 23, Battersea Bridge-road	Do.	1,930 10 0	500 0 0	Solicitor. Jury notice served.
Part of 4	W. F. Watson ...	Part of house and gateway, Battersea Bridge-road ...	Freehold ...	2,500 0 0	1,000 0 0	Do.
<i>Hammersmith Improvement.</i>						
13 to 15	R. B. Hughes ...	Nos. 206, 208, 210 and 212, Hammersmith-road ...	Freehold ...	5,225 0 0	4,400 0 0	Architect. Jury notice served.
15	T. G. Taylor ...	No. 204, Hammersmith-road ...	Leasehold & Business	520 0 0	350 0 0	Architect.
<i>Walworth-road Improvement.</i>						
.1	Timothy Line ...	No. 92, Walworth-road...	Leasehold & Business	2,794 4 0	900 0 0	Solicitor. Arbitrators appointed.
6	Elizth. Cotterell ...	No. 98, Walworth-road, and No. 2, Hampton-street ...	Do.	1,197 6 0	600 0 0	Solicitor. Jury notice served.
<i>Supplemental Main Drainage—Isle of Dogs Pumping Station.</i>						
1	Merchant Shipping Co.	Piece of land in Samuda-street	Leasehold ...	1,000 0 0	850 0 0	Architect.

No. on Plan.	Name of Claimant.	Locality.	Nature of Claim.	Amount claimed.	Amount agreed on.	By whom settled.
<i>Hughes-fields, Deptford, Scheme.</i>						
'72 to '77	Bassett's Trustees ...	Private passage, and Nos. 1 to 5, Mussett's-buildings ...	Freehold ...	620 0 0	500 0 0	Architect.
225 to 230, 261 to 267	W. Tebb ...	Nos. 1 to 6, Rope-walk, and Nos. 10 to 13, Rope-walk ...	Do.	900 0 0	750 0 0	Do.
38 to 40	T. Walker ...	Nos. 15, 16 and 17, Elliott's-square ...	Do.	262 10 0	240 0 0	Do.
1 to 21	T. W. Francis ...	Nos. 1 to 7, Glebe-court, and Nos. 49 to 60, Butcher-row ...	Do.	4,300 0 0	3,000 0 0	Do.
35	C. Howe ...	No. 22, Butcher-row ...	Do.	243 0 0	175 0 0	Do.
302	G. Huggett ...	No. 33, Wellington-street, and 1A, New-street ...	Freehold & Business	3,380 0 0	1,150 0 0	Do.
303	E. Roberts ...	No. 35, Wellington-street ...	Freehold ...	810 0 0	760 0 0	Do.
243 to 245	H. Kelly ...	Nos. 1 to 6, Rope-walk ...	Leasehold ...	600 0 0	226 0 0	Do.
235	A. A. Hiscock ...	No. 4, Fishing Smack-alley ...	Freehold ...	245 0 0	115 0 0	Do.
17 and 17 ^a	G. C. Paterson ...	No. 9, Butcher-row ...	Yearly tenancy ...	188 11 0	80 0 0	Do.
38 to 40	G. H. Powell ...	Nos. 15 to 17, Elliott's-square ...	Leasehold ...	452 0 0	350 0 0	Do.
97 to 107	M. and M. A. Sandom	Nos. 27 to 47 (odd numbers), Frenches'-fields ...	Freehold ...	1,033 11 0	750 0 0	Do.
161	W. Andrews ...	Nos. 71 and 72, New-street ...	Do.	2,150 0 0	1,500 0 0	Do.
108	W. Baldry ...	A piece of land ...	Do.	60 0 0	50 0 0	Do.
287 and 268	H. Wells, Junr. ...	No. 20, New-street, and a piece of land ...	Do.	270 0 0	200 0 0	Do.
<i>Tabard-street, Newington, Scheme.</i>						
56	H. H. Gibbon ...	No. 212, Great Dover-street ...	Leaschold ...	385 0 0	355 0 0	Architect.
15 and 16	D. A. Mead ...	No. 18, Tabard-street, and private court ...	Freehold ...	915 0 0	630 0 0	Do.
9	L'ewellyn's Trustees...	No. 14, Tabard-street ...	Do.	960 0 0	750 0 0	Do.
<i>Wells-street, Poplar, Scheme.</i>						
258	Walker and Sewell ...	Right-of-way over Sun and Sawyer's-court ...	Freehold ...	300 0 0	200 0 0	Architect.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Board do not dissent from the proposal of the New River Company to give a constant supply of Water in certain districts or areas in the Parish of St. Pancras, described in the Notice received from the Company.

6. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 4th May, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, forwarding a Memorial by inhabitants of Nunhead, on the subject of the arrangements for protection from fire in that neighbourhood, the Letter having been referred by the Board on 21st April last (No. 26). The Memorialists ask that further provision for protection from fire may be made in the neighbourhood of Nunhead, and the Vestry express the hope that the Board will comply with the request of the Memorialists, and place a Fire-escape and Fire-alarm posts in that part of the Parish. Your Committee regret to be under the necessity of making the same recommendation in this case as they have had recently to make with respect to all other applications for an extension of the arrangements for extinguishing fires—namely, that, in the present state of the Fire Brigade finances, it is impossible for the Board to increase the number of Fire-engine or Fire-escape Stations in any part of the Metropolis. They recommend—

That the Vestry of Camberwell be so informed.

Your Committee have to report that Fourth-class Fireman Thomas E. O. Boyle has withdrawn from the service, and that his name has accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Third-class Fireman Jerome Moon, and Fourth-class Firemen William Gatehouse, George H. Cooke, and John Baldwin have been reported to your Committee for various acts of misconduct, which renders it undesirable that they should be retained in the Brigade. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That they be dismissed.

Your Committee have further to recommend—

That the following promotions be made, viz.—Third-class Fireman George L. Frankham to the Second Class ; Fourth-class Firemen Samuel H. Smallden and David H. Moore to the Third Class.

That Howard Beckwith, Walter E. Edwards, and Gilmore Howard be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to report, for the Board's information, that, acting under the authority of the Board of 19th February last (No. 2), they have accepted, subject to the usual conditions, the Tender of Messrs. Lonergan Brothers, of Plumstead, for the erection of the new Fire Brigade Station in Sun-street, Woolwich, for the sum of £4,750.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

GEO. HILL,
W. R. SELWAY,
GEO. PHILLIPS,
AND. MIDDLEMASS,
W. J. WETENHALL.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of Camberwell be informed that in the present state of the Fire Brigade finances it is impossible for the Board to add to the number of Fire-engine or Fire-escape Stations in the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Third-class Fireman Jerome Moon, and Fourth-class Firemen William Gatehouse, George H. Cooke, and John Baldwin be dismissed for misconduct.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following promotions be made, viz.—Third-class Fireman George L. Frankham to the Second Class, and Fourth-class Firemen Samuel H. Smallden and David H. Moore to the Third Class.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Howard Beckwith, Walter E. Edwards, and Gilmore Howard be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

7. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 4th May, 1886.

Your Committee beg to submit herewith three Reports which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under Magistrates' Orders at the premises therein mentioned, the same being Dangerous Structures, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrates to be done at the following premises, the same being Dangerous Structures, viz.—

- No. 83, Rotherhithe-street, Rotherhithe.
- „ 14, Linwood-place, Newington.
- „ 174, Gray's-inn-road, St. Andrew, Holborn.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Newington, stating that buildings were in course of erection in York-mews, York-street, Walworth, and asking the Board to take steps for preventing the mews being built upon and opened for carriage traffic, with a less width than 40 feet, referred by the Board on the 19th March last (No. 51). Your Superintending Architect has prepared Plans from actual admeasurement, from which it appears that the new road approved by the Board is being formed of the full width of 40 feet, and that the flank wall of the building nearest

York-mews is being erected at a distance of 20 feet 6 inches from the centre of the mews. The buildings are as yet incomplete, but as the mews is now being made of the necessary width, your Committee recommend—

That the Vestry of Newington be informed, in reply to their Letter, that no action will be taken by the Board in the matter.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Home Secretary, transmitting a Letter from the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association, calling attention to an alleged breach of the Disused Burial-grounds Act, 1884, by the erection of an Infant school on a portion of the disused Burial-ground of Christchurch, in Blackfriars-road, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 41). Lord Brabazon, as Chairman of the Association, informed the Secretary of State, on the 9th February last, that they had offered to lay out the disused Burial-ground as a public recreation-ground, but had been refused the necessary permission by the Vestry. In February, 1885, the Vestry obtained the sanction of the Board to the erection of the Infant School in question, as a temporary building, and permission for its use was granted from the 20th of that month, for a period of two years. The building is of wood and iron, and is placed upon a thick bed of concrete, and when the application was made to the Board, the land was shown upon the Plan as being separated from the Churchyard by a wall. Your Committee recommend—

That the Home Secretary be informed that the building in question is of a temporary nature, and that the License which was granted by the Board for its retention will expire in February, 1887.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from the Vestry of Paddington, relative to the erection of a wooden structure in front of No. 172, Queen's-road, Bayswater, and requesting the Board to take steps to cause the removal of such structure, referred by the Board on the 9th ultimo (No. 63). The structure, which is 6 feet in height, and projects 4 feet, is placed upon the edge of the raised pavement in front of No. 172, Queen's-road. The pavement is not used by the public, but goods are exposed for sale upon it. The Board in 1881 sanctioned the erection of shop additions, but it was then agreed that the space in front of Nos. 166 to 172 should be given up to the public. Your Committee, having conferred with your Solicitor and your Superintending Architect, recommend—

That the Vestry be informed that the matter is within their own jurisdiction.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, stating that complaint had been made to them that Mr. W. W. Tanner had erected a structure at No. 81, Meeting-house-lane, without a License from the Board, and asking whether the Board would take proceedings to compel him to comply with the Statute, referred by the Board on the 5th February, last (No. 5). The Board, on the 19th March last, instructed their Solicitor to take proceedings, and a Penal Notice was accordingly served upon the builder. Your Superintending Architect has now reported that the structure has been removed, with the exception of the two iron pillars in front. Your Committee recommend—

That no further action be taken in the matter, and that the substance of the Solicitor's Report be communicated to the Vestry.

Your Committee have also considered the joint application of Messrs. Christopher and White and Mr. M. L. Saunders, on behalf of Sir H. P. T. Barron, Bart., and Mr. Ruck, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Woolwich Lower-road, Greenwich, and for the widening of that road, referred by the Board on the 9th ultimo (No. 68). The Board, on the 11th December last, declined to sanction the formation of roads upon the Estate. The present amended Plan shows that additional outlets have been formed, and that the roads will be of the width of 40 feet. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names

" Halstow-road, S.E.," " Chevening-road, S.E.," and " Kemsing-road, S.E.," be approved for the same.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. H. A. Hunt, on behalf of Earl Cadogan, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of streets to lead out of Sloane-square, Chelsea, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 71). The applicant proposes, in connection with the Estate, to lay out Lower Sloane-street of a uniform width of 50 feet, to form a square or gardens, to alter the position of Lower George-street, making it 50 feet in width for part of its length, and to stop the present outlet of Lower George-street at its Southern end, and also an adjacent alley. It is intended to form a new street, 40 feet in width, from Queen's-road East to the Sloane-square Station of the Metropolitan District Railway, and a mews 30 feet in width. The Vestries of St. George, Hanover-square, and Chelsea offer no objection to the proposal. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that no barriers [be] at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the roads.

Your Committee have further considered the subject of the preparation of new Bye-laws to regulate the use of concrete in buildings. Your Committee, on the 22nd January last, submitted to the Board Bye-laws relating to concrete walls, together with Clauses as to the duties and remuneration of the District Surveyors, and on the same day the Board formally approved them, subject to confirmation by the Secretary of State. The 16th Section of the Act of 1878 provides that copies of the Bye-laws made by the Board shall be forwarded to the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Institution of Surveyors, and that the Bye-laws shall be advertised in the manner therein described. Your Committee have received from the two bodies above mentioned certain suggested modifications, but they are of opinion that the Bye-laws as approved by the Board are adequate for the purpose, and require no alteration. The two months' time prescribed by the 16th Section of the Act having elapsed, and the requirements of the Act having been complied with, your Committee recommend—

That the Bye-laws which were approved by the Board on the 22nd January last be forwarded to the Secretary of State for confirmation.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs Williams and Gritten, on behalf of Sir G. E. Hodgkinson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of the Girls' Home, at the corner of Chenies-street and Huntley-street, Tottenham-court-road, with projecting bay-windows, and a porch and angle turret, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 19th February last (No. 49). In the erection of the building, two bay-windows and a porch will be constructed to front Chenies-street, and two bay-windows to front Huntley-street, and there will be a turret at the angle of the two streets. There will be areas in front of the building, similar to the existing areas in those streets. Your Committee have had before them an amended Plan, submitted by the applicant in accordance with suggestions made by them, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the building therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 7th May, 1886, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. C. Bentley, on behalf of Mr. E. Robinson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads, and the widening of an existing road, on an Estate situated to the South-East of Highbury-place, Islington, referred by the Board on the 12th March last (No. 89.) It is proposed to lay out the Estate by forming new roads of the width of 40 and 45 feet respectively, having communication with Highbury-place and Highbury-grove, and to open up and widen Highbury-mews, for the greater part of its length. The subject has also been considered by the Parks, &c., Committee, and the locality has been viewed. The Vestry of Islington consider the Plan in its

present form to be objectionable, and your Committee concurring in that view—recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. J. E. Sears, on behalf of Mr. H. J. Kimbell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 381, Hornsey-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 60). Various applications have been made from time to time for permission to extend the premises, and on the 27th November, 1885, the Board sanctioned a Plan then submitted for an addition at the rear, fronting Marlborough-road. The applicant now desires to bring forward a one-storey shop on the forecourt next Hornsey-road, and to give up to the public way a strip of land, so as to widen that road from 40 to 45 feet. Your Committee consider the proposal objectionable, and recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. E. Watkins, on behalf of Mr. C. Wilson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shop fronts to Nos. 120, 122, 124, 126 and 128, Beckenham-road, Penge, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 61). It is proposed to extend the shop fronts to these houses, which have large forecourts, 18 inches beyond the external face of the wall. The Lewisham District Board have no objection to the proposal, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to be commenced within Six months and be completed within Eighteen months from the 7th May, 1886, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground separating the proposed shops from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of^f the Managers of the Darby-street Schools, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron building in Cooper's-row, Upper East Smithfield, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 66). It is desired to use the proposed structure during the re-building of the present schools. It will be 60 feet by 27 feet, and 9 feet high to the eaves. The construction proposed is for the most part similar to that usually adopted in the erection of this class of building. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of One year, from the 7th May, 1886, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of Mr. R. A. Valpy, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary iron building at Christ Church Schools, in Falcon-grove, Battersea, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 70). It is intended to use the structure as a gymnasium, in connection with the schools, and to erect it in the playground fronting upon Lubeck-street. It will measure 48 feet by 28 feet, and will be 21 feet high. It is constructed almost entirely of iron framework, but one side is enclosed with a brick wall, and the only woodwork used in its construction is in the roof. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of Two years, from the 7th May, 1886, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction

of two blocks of water closets and urinals, and two open play-sheds at the Schools in Hindle-street, Shacklewell, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 72). The blocks are divided by brick walls, and are again sub-divided by wooden partitions with glass roofs. The open sheds measure about 55 feet by 20 feet, and are 6½ feet high to the eaves. The construction is similar to that of many other buildings approved by the Board for the various Board Schools in the Metropolis. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Carter, Paterson and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of warehouse buildings at the rear of premises in Goswell-road, Clerkenwell, with cubical contents in excess of the limit prescribed by the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 74). The buildings practically form one large warehouse, the cubical contents of the whole being about 826,146 feet, or 610,146 feet in excess of the limit prescribed by the Building Act for buildings of this description. The applicants propose to construct the premises, with the exception of the roof, the stalls for stables, and the doors, of fire-resisting materials, the walls being of brickwork, and the floors of iron and concrete, supported upon iron columns. The approaches to the various floors are by slopes formed inside the building. The mode of planning the building appears to be necessary for the purpose of carrying on the business, and your Committee consider the proposed construction satisfactory. The Board, however, have no discretionary power, and your Committee have only to recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. E. Burgess, on behalf of Messrs. J. S. Fry and Sons, for approval by the Board of a Plan for a proposed alteration in the position of Cross-street, Lever-street, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 50). An arrangement has been entered into between the Vestry of St. Luke and the applicant for the diversion of Cross-street from its present position to the end of Little Nelson-street. By this arrangement the applicant's premises will be brought together and will form one block, and an objectionable *cul de sac* at the end of Little Nelson-street will also be removed. Your Committee are of opinion that the Board have no power to deal with the matter, and they recommend—

That Mr. Burgess be so informed.

The Board, on the 21st April last (No. 52), referred to your Committee a Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, asking this Board to re-consider their decision, sanctioning the formation of Weiss-road, Lower Richmond-road, Putney. The Board, upon the recommendation of your Committee, on the 19th March last, approved of the formation of the road. The District Board now ask that the matter should be re-considered, as it is not intended to set back the building at the North-West corner of the land 20 feet from the centre of Lower Richmond-road. The Plan first submitted to the Board appeared to show Lower Richmond-road set back up to Biggs-row, and included the removal of the house referred to. Your Committee see no reason to re-open the matter, which received careful consideration at the time, and they recommend—

That the Wandsworth District Board be informed, that the Board are unable to take any action in the matter.

Your Committee have considered a Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of stables, with dwelling rooms over the same, in Kingsgate-mews, Quex-road, Kilburn, without the open space at the rear thereof required by the Metropolis Management Amendment Act and the Metropolitan Building Act, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo, (No. 54). The Board, on the 19th March last, informed the District Surveyor, in reply to his Letter, that they considered it to be his duty to take proceedings against the builder of the stables, which had been erected

without open spaces at the rear. The District Surveyor states in reply that the builder has produced a Plan showing that a portion of the site of the stables was occupied by buildings prior to 1883, and that he cannot, in his opinion, successfully take proceedings under the Act of 1882, to compel the provision of an area at the back. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Blashill be informed that, in the opinion of the Board, it is his duty to take the necessary legal proceedings.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of the Rev. L. Egan, D.D., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Church on vacant land adjoining No. 258, Cambridge-road, South Hackney, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 58). The building measures 40 feet by 20 feet, and is of the total height of 17 feet. In front there is a small porch, and at the rear an addition measuring 20 feet by 10 feet. The construction is similar to that usually adopted in the erection of this class of building, and appears to be satisfactory. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of Two years, from the 7th May, 1886, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

A. EWIN,
W. R. SELWAY,
WM. SHEPHERD,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. DEBENHAM,
DONALD MUNRO.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 83, Rotherhithe-street, Rotherhithe, had failed to comply with the Order made by Henry Bullock Marsham, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Greenwich Police-court, on the 26th day of March last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin—
—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the front wall and chimney stacks of the premises, No. 83, Rotherhithe-street, Rotherhithe, to the level of the roof.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure No. 14, Linwood-place, Newington, had failed to comply with the Order made by Wyndham Slade, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Southwark Police-court, on the 11th day of January last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin—
That the Contractors, Messrs Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the back and flank walls of the structure No. 14, Linwood-place, Newington, where the same are bulged, defective and dangerous, and also the parapets of the party-wall.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure No. 174, Gray's-inn-road, St. Andrew, Holborn, had failed to comply with the Order made by John Hosack, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Clerkenwell Police-court, on the 6th day of April last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down all such portions of the front, back and flank walls of the Structure, No. 174, Gray's-inn-road, St. Andrew, Holborn, as are loose, cracked, bulged, defective, or out of the upright.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That no further action be taken with reference to the Letter from the Vestry of Newington, stating that buildings were in course of erection in York-mews, York-street, Walworth, and asking the Board to take steps in the matter, and that the Vestry be informed that the mews is now being formed of the necessary width.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Home Secretary, transmitting a Letter from the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association, calling attention to an alleged breach of the Disused Burial-grounds Act, 1884, by the erection of an Infant School on a portion of the Disused Burial-ground of Christ-church, in Blackfriars-road, be approved, and that the Home Secretary be informed that the building is of a temporary nature, and that the License which was granted by the Board for its retention will expire in February, 1887.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Vestry of Paddington, as to the erection of a wooden structure in front of No. 172, Queen's-road, Bayswater, and requesting the Board to take steps to cause the removal of such structure, be approved, and that the Vestry be informed that the matter is within their jurisdiction.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, stating that complaint had been made to them that Mr. W. Tanner had erected a structure at No. 81, Meeting-house-lane, without a License, be approved; that no further action be taken in the matter, and that the substance of the Solicitor's Report on the subject be communicated to the Vestry.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the joint application of Messrs. Christopher and White and Mr. M. L. Saunders, on behalf of Sir H. P. T. Barron, Bart., and Mr. Ruck, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Woolwich Lower-road, Greenwich, and for the widening of that road, be granted on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Halstow-road, S.E.," "Chevening-road, S.E." and "Kemsing-road, S.E.," be approved for the same.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. H. A. Hunt, on behalf of Earl Cadogan, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of streets to lead out of Sloane-square, Chelsea, be granted, on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the roads.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Bye-laws relating to

concrete buildings which were submitted to and approved by the Board on the 22nd January last, be now forwarded to the Secretary of State for confirmation.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Williams and Gritten, on behalf of Sir G. E. Hodgkinson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of the Girls' Home, at the corner of Chenies-street and Huntley-street, Tottenham-court-road, with projecting bay-windows, and a porch and angle turret, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the building therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. C. Bentley, on behalf of Mr. E. Robinson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads, and the widening of an existing road, on an Estate situated to the South-East of Highbury-place, Islington, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. E. Sears, on behalf of Mr. H. J. Kimbell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 381, Hornsey-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. E. Watkins, on behalf of Mr. C. Wilson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shop fronts to Nos. 120, 122, 124, 126 and 128, Beckenham-road, Penge, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground separating the proposed shops from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of the Managers of the Darby-street Schools, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron building in Cooper's-row, Upper East Smithfield, be granted for a period of One year from this date, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of Mr. R. A. Valpy, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary iron building at Christchurch Schools, in Falcon-grove, Battersea, be granted for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction of two blocks of water-closets and urinals, and two open play-sheds at the Schools in Hindle-street, Shacklewell, be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken by the Board with reference to the application of Messrs. Carter, Paterson, and Co., for

approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of warehouse buildings at the rear of premises in Goswell-road, Clerkenwell, with cubical contents in excess of the limit prescribed by the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. E. Burgess be informed, in reply to his application on behalf of Messrs. J. S. Fry and Sons, for approval by the Board of a Plan for a proposed alteration in the position of Cross-street, Lever-street St. Luke, that the Board have no power to deal with the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, asking this Board to reconsider their decision, sanctioning the formation of Weiss-road, Lower Richmond-road, Putney, be approved, and that the District Board be informed that this Board are unable to take any action in the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, as to the erection of stables, with dwelling-rooms over the same, in Kingsgate-mews, Quex-road, Kilburn, without the open space at the rear thereof required by the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, be approved, and that Mr. Blashill be informed, that, in the opinion of the Board, it is his duty to take the necessary legal proceedings.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of the Rev. L. Egan, D.D., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Church on vacant land adjoining No. 258, Cambridge-road, South Hackney, be granted for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

8. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 5th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the applications made to them by the Park Superintendents for additional labour and horse-hire in connection with the Board's Parks, Gardens, and Open Spaces, and they beg to recommend—

That the following labour and horse-hire be sanctioned—

Finsbury-park—2 labourers for 5 months, to assist in general work of Park.

Hackney-downs—15 labourers for two weeks, to complete levelling and sowing, &c.

Hampstead-heath—2 labourers for 4 weeks, to cut down dead furze.

Southwark-park—3 labourers for 4 weeks, to tar-paint the paths.

Clapham-common—3 labourers for 2 weeks to prepare for sowing.

Blackheath—2 labourers for 2 weeks, to prepare for sowing.

Peckham-rye—3 labourers for 2 weeks, to prepare for sowing.

Victoria Embankment-gardens, &c.—Horse and van for 30 days, for bringing bedding-out plants from Finsbury-park.

Hampstead-heath—1 horse for 6 days.

Wormwood-scrubs—4 horses and a roller for 6 days, for rolling the surface.

Southern Open Spaces—Horse and water-cart for two weeks, to water newly planted trees.

Your Committee have to report that the following articles are required for use in Finsbury-park, 15 cwt. of whiting, 40 bundles of stakes, $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. of cart grease, 2 dozen scythe blades, 2 dozen sneaths, 6 dozen wedges, 2 dozen rings, 12 dozen birch brooms, 3 dozen wooden rakes, 1 dozen mops, and 6 bill-hooks. Your Committee recommend—

That the articles be obtained at an estimated cost of £15.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the condition of the paths in Southwark-park. Your Committee consider that immediate steps should be taken for painting the paths with tar and grit, and as your Committee have a quantity of grit in stock they propose to carry out the work forthwith, in the event of the Board approving of the necessary expenditure for tar. Your Committee recommend—

That 30 barrels of tar be obtained for the above-named purpose, at an estimated cost of £15.

Your Committee have had before them a Letter from the Vestry of Islington, referred to them on the 21st ultimo (No. 33), respecting the public footpath which now divides the two Northernmost parts of Highbury-fields. The Vestry have, by a Resolution expressed their opinion—"That it would be detrimental to the due enjoyment of "Highbury-fields by the parishioners and the public if a carriage road were to be formed "between Highbury-place and Christ Church," and in this view your Committee coincide. They, therefore, recommend the Board to adopt a like view, and to inform the Vestry accordingly.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the state of the boundary fence of Highbury-fields, and they are of opinion that so far as the existing iron fence is concerned it should be repaired and painted, the estimated cost of the work is £167; and they recommend accordingly.

The two Northern portions of Highbury-fields are at present enclosed by a close and unsightly wooden fence, and your Committee are of opinion that it should be removed and that an open fence of a similar description to that on the Easternmost portion of the lower part of the Fields, should be erected around the margin of these portions of the Fields. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the work be executed at an estimated cost of £612.

There is at the Northernmost point of Highbury-fields a narrow strip of land lying between a brick wall and the public footpath, leading from Christ Church to Highbury-place, which is too narrow for public recreation. Your Committee consider that the best mode of dealing with the ground would be to enclose it with unclimbable hurdles, and plant shrubs within the enclosure so formed. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That an expenditure of £30 be sanctioned for the purchase of the necessary hurdles.

There are at present no seats on Highbury-fields, and as the Fields are now much frequented by the public, your Committee recommend, that 48 seats, with backs, of a description similar to those in use on the Board's other Open Spaces, be obtained and placed on the Fields, the ground around each seat being laid with tar-paving. The estimated cost of the seats with the tar-paving work is £192, and your Committee recommend—

That the expenditure of that sum be sanctioned.

Your Committee have to report that James Smith, one of the persons licensed by the Board to let animals on hire on Clapham-common, neglected to wear his badge on Easter Monday, and also to keep his animals within the stand when they were not

being used. Your Committee consider that the Regulations of the Board should be strictly enforced, particularly at holiday times, and they, therefore, recommend—

That the License of James Smith be revoked.

Your Committee have further to report that Abraham Lee, junr., of No. 6, Marlborough-cottages, Stafford-street, Peckham-rye, who is licensed to let animals on hire on Peckham-rye was in the stand on Monday last without his badge, and stated in reply to the Board's Superintendent that he did not possess a License. Your Committee consider that an example should be made of Lee, and they therefore recommend—

That his License be revoked.

Your Committee have to report that it is very desirable that tar-paving should be laid around the seats on Eel-brook-common and Parson's-green, and they recommend—

That the work be executed at an estimated cost of £60.

Your Committee have also to report that a similar course is requisite with regard to the seats on Brook-green. Your Committee recommend—

That the work be executed at an estimated cost of £22.

Your Committee regret to have to report that owing to the severe winter, a large portion of the furze on Hampstead-heath is dead and must be cleared away in order to allow the undergrowth to come up. Your Committee in a previous recommendation have advised the Board to sanction the necessary labour for the purpose, and they think it right, having regard to the public interest taken in Hampstead-heath, to report the reason that so much furze is about to be cut down.

Under the authority conferred on them by the Board on the 13th June, 1873 (No. 13), your Committee have to report that they have authorised the following allowance and purchases to be made—

Victoria Embankment Gardens.—Half-pay to be continued for five more weeks, if necessary, to Thomas Chapman, labourer, who met with an accident; and alterations to be made to the gratings and stones around the trees on the Embankment road-way; and some stakes, rakes, trowels, and nails purchased for use in the Gardens.

Chelsea Embankment Gardens.—Five bundles of stakes to be purchased, and two lawn mowers repaired.

Hampstead-heath.—Four pairs of gloves for use when cutting furze, some scythe blades and stones to be purchased, and a water-trough removed to the margin of the road, opposite the lower donkey stand.

Southwark-park.—Eight hundred weight of wire for repairing fencing, and two new spring plant barrows to be purchased.

Blackheath.—Six bushels of grass seed and two gallons of neat's foot oil to be purchased.

Peckham-rye.—Six bushels of grass seed to be purchased, and repairs to the watch-box.

Tooting-common.—Six bushels of grass seed, and 100 stakes to be purchased.

Plumstead-common.—The erection of a boundary fence at the rear of Blendon terrace, and the repair of the watch-box and some hurdles sanctioned.

Brook-green.—Repair of the watch-box sanctioned.

Goose-green.—Repair of the fencing sanctioned.

Your Committee have also to report that they have accepted the Tender of Messrs. Gardiner and Co., for the clothing, and the Tender of Messrs. Stillwell and Son for the

helmets and hats required for men engaged in connection with the Board's Parks, Gardens, and Open Spaces for the ensuing three years.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. E. BRADFELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. SHEPHERD,
GEO. HILL,
DONALD MUNRO.

The Report having been read and received.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the under-mentioned extra labour and horse-hire be sanctioned—

Finsbury-park—2 Labourers for 5 months, to assist in the general work of the Park.

Hackney-downs—15 Labourers for 2 weeks, to complete the levelling and sowing, &c.

Hampstead-heath—2 Labourers for 4 weeks, to cut down dead furze.

Southwark-park—3 Labourers for 4 weeks, to tar-paint the paths.

Clapham-common—3 Labourers for 2 weeks, to prepare for sowing.

Blackheath—2 Labourers for 2 weeks, to prepare for sowing.

Peckham-rye—3 Labourers for 2 weeks, to prepare for sowing.

Victoria Embankment-gardens, &c.—Horse and van for 30 days, for bringing bedding-out plants from Finsbury-park.

Hampstead-heath—1 horse for 6 days.

Wormwood-scrubs—4 horses and a roller for 6 days, for rolling the surface.

Southern Open Spaces—Horse and water-cart for 2 weeks, to water the newly planted trees.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That 15 cwt. of whiting, 40 bundles of stakes, $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. of cart-grease, 2 dozen scythe blades, 2 dozen sneaths, 6 dozen wedges, 2 dozen rings, 12 dozen birch brooms, 3 dozen wooden rakes, 1 dozen mops, and 6 bill-hooks be obtained for use in Finsbury-park, at an estimated cost of £15.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That 30 barrels of tar be obtained for painting the paths in Southwark-park, at an estimated cost of £15.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the Vestry of Islington be informed, in reply to their Letter respecting the footpath between the two Northern portions of Highbury-fields, that the Board concur with their expressed opinion "that it would be detrimental to the due enjoyment of Highbury-fields by the parishioners and the public if a carriage road were to be formed between Highbury-place and Christ Church."

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the existing fencing at the boundary of Highbury-fields be repaired and painted, at an estimated cost of £167.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That 3,286 feet run of iron fencing be erected to define the boundary of the two Northern portions of Highbury-fields, at an estimated cost of £612.

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the narrow portion of Highbury-fields near Christ Church be enclosed and planted, and that an expenditure of £30 for the necessary hurdles be sanctioned.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That 48 seats, with backs, be obtained and placed on Highbury-fields, and the ground around the same tar paved, at a total estimated cost of £192.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the License of James Smith to let animals on hire on Clapham-common be revoked for misconduct.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the License of Abraham Lee, Jun., to let animals on hire on Peckham-rye be revoked for misconduct.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That tar paving be laid around the seats on Eel-brook-common and Parson's-green, at an estimated cost of £60.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That tar paving be laid around the seats on Brook-green, at an estimated cost of £22.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in their Report, be approved.

9. Mr. Shepherd, the Chairman of the Bridges Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BRIDGES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 5th May, 1886.

Your Committee beg to report that they have been informed by your Engineer, that the works of the Putney (new) Bridge are now practically completed, and they recommend—

That they be authorised to make arrangements for the opening of the Bridge to the public.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the United Telephone Company, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 17), renewing their application for permission to run a wire along the temporary Bridge over the Thames at Hammersmith. Having again given careful attention to the subject, and conferred with your Engineer, your Committee are unable to advise the Board to depart from their previous decision, declining to grant the desired permission, and they beg to recommend accordingly.

Your Committee recommend—

That the necessary authority be given to the Engineer for the execution of Flood-works at the expense of the owner, Mr. Child, at the premises numbered 450, on the Plan of the Greenwich District.

Your Committee submit a Plan of a portion of the locality known as Waterside in the Wandsworth District, showing the line and level of Flood-works, immediately necessary for protecting the neighbourhood, from overflow of the River Thames. Your Committee beg to recommend—

That the Plan be approved.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W^M. SHEPHERD,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
DONALD MUNRO.

The Plan and Estimates of Flood-works in the Wandsworth District, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That it be referred to the

Committee to make arrangements for the opening to the public of the new Bridge at Putney.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the United Telephone Company be informed, in reply to their renewed application for permission to run a wire along the temporary Bridge at Hammersmith, that the Board are unable to grant the permission.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Engineer be authorised to give directions for the execution of the Flood-works ordered at the premises No. 450 on the Plan of the Greenwich District, at the expense of Mr. C. Child, the owner of the said premises.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Plan and Estimates of the Flood-works for the protection of a portion of Waterside, in the Wandsworth District, be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, in connection with the application of Mr. T. S. Archer, on behalf of Dr. T. Watney, for approval of a Plan for the formation and name of a street at "Water-side," leading out of Jew's-row, York-road, and abutting upon the Thames, referred to that Committee on 29th January last (No. 67).

10. The Clerk laid before the Board the following list of Members who will retire in pursuance of the provision in the 48th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, on Wednesday, the 9th June next—

Mr. Abbott...	...	...	...	...	Limehouse.
„ Bonthron	...	...	...	...	St. James', Westminster.
„ Cook, M.P.	...	...	...	...	Poplar.
„ Debenham	...	...	...	...	Marylebone.
„ Fairclough	...	...	...	...	St. George-in-the-East.
Sir R. N. Fowler, Bart., M.P.	...	...	...	...	City of London.
Mr. Freeman	...	...	...	...	Kensington.
„ Harben	...	...	...	...	Hampstead.
„ Harris ...	...	...	...	...	St. Saviour's, Southwark.
„ R. Jones	...	...	...	...	Mile-end Old-town.
Colonel Munro	...	...	...	...	Whitechapel.
Mr. Phillips	...	...	...	...	Holborn.
„ Selway	...	...	...	...	St. Mary, Newington.
Captain Wenborn	...	...	...	...	Shoreditch.
Mr. White ...	...	...	...	...	Westminster.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Court of Common Council of the City of London, and the Vestries and District Boards of the Parishes and Districts represented by the above-mentioned Members, be informed of the expiration of the term of office of those gentlemen.

Mr. Runtz, as a matter of emergency, called attention to the provision in the 4th Section of the Act of last Session for increasing the number of Members of this Board, which directs that the newly-elected Members under the Act shall determine by lot among themselves which of them shall be the Members to go out of office in the years 1886 and 1887, and *moved*—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

The motion having been seconded, it was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th May, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Materials.	
HAMPSTEAD.				
Fortune-green-lane	1,338	3' 0" × 2' 0"	1 brick	} Recommended as applied for
Agamemnon, Ajax, Achilles	790	3' 0" × 2' 0"	"	
and Ulysses Roads, Wood-	300	15-inch	pipe	
bine Estate, West Hampstead	1,584	12 "	"	
	116	9 "	"	
PADDINGTON.				
St. Petersburg-place, Uxbridge- road	98	3' 9" × 2' 6"	1 brick	Recommended as applied for.
WANDSWORTH.				
Norroy-road, Putney	1,094	15-inch	pipe	Recommended as applied for.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th May, 1886, on applications from the following Vestries and District Board, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of Applications.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.	Remarks.
HAMPSTEAD.						
1886 27th April	Fortune-green-lane.	Sewerage.	7 weeks.	7 weeks.	Parsefal, &c., Roads.	Recommended, subject to the carriage access being maintained to the Cemetery, as explained in the Surveyor's Letter dated 5th instant.
ST. MARYLEBONE.						
4th May.	Maida-vale, from near Abercorn-place to boundary of the Parish by Kilburn-gate	Paving.	5 weeks.	5 weeks.	Elgin-terrace.	
HACKNEY.						
5th May.	Mare-street, from Tudor-road to Well-street	Paving, &c.	4 days	4 days	Tudor, &c., Roads.	
	Mare-street, from Well-street to St. Thomas-square	do.	4 "	4 "	Lamb and London Lanes, &c.	

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestries and District Board,

for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

13. The Engineer presented a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring-gardens,
1st May, 1886.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE SEVERAL SPECIAL CONTRACT WORKS.

Holloway and Northern High Level Sewers Relief Lines.—Mr. W. Rigby, Contractor.—A length of about 13,900 feet of brick Sewers, varying in diameter from 7 feet to 5 feet 6 inches, has been constructed, at an estimated cost, with other works in connection therewith, of £50,000, of which about £3,400 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. T. Panter, G. Larkin, T. Wighton, J. Driffield, J. Boyden, J. Pope and J. Fixter, at a weekly cost of £22 1s.

Queen's-road, Dalston, &c., Sewer.—Messrs. Nowell and Robson, Contractors.—A length of about 6,570 feet of brick Sewer, varying in size from 5 feet by 4 feet to 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches, egg-shape, is complete, the estimated value of which, with other works in connection therewith, is £15,600 of which about £600 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. J. Carter and J. Lake, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Clapham to Putney Relief Sewers.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The main line of Sewer from the "Bedford Arms" Public-house, Clapham, to Roehampton-lane, Putney, has been completed, with the exception of the aqueduct crossing the Wandle-valley, which is still in progress. The six branch Sewers are also complete. The approximate value of the work done is about £134,000. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. C. Bedloe and J. Judd, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Putney (new) Bridge.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—This Bridge is practically completed, and the whole of the Chelsea Water Company's mains are laid and tested, with the exception of a short length in High-street, Putney. The total approximate value of permanent work executed is about £216,500, of which about £2,500 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. J. Gooding, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

Hammersmith Bridge.—Messrs. Dixon, Appleby and Thorne, Contractors.—The temporary Bridge has now been completed and opened for traffic for more than a twelvemonth. The whole of the superstructure of the old Bridge has been removed. The temporary chains for the erection of the permanent link chains have been raised to their required positions. The coffer-dam for the underpinning of the Southern pier has been completed, and the necessary work for securing the foundations of the Bridge is well advanced. The excavations for the Northern and Southern abutments have been completed, and the concreting for the Southern abutment is practically completed, whilst that for the Northern abutment is well advanced. The abutment anchor castings, steel anchor forgings, abutment saddles, and the cast-iron base plates for the pier towers have been fixed. The whole of the ironwork for the pier towers, the pier saddles, the wrought-iron cross girders and cantilevers, also the steel pins and nuts for the new chains, have been delivered. The total approximate value of permanent work executed (including ironwork delivered) is about £38,000, of which about £1,500 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. T. M. Carey and H. Rice, at a weekly cost of £6 6s. The progress made with the works under this Contract has not been satisfactory.

Albert Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Company, the Contractors for the works of strengthening this Bridge, have driven the whole of the piling for supporting piers Nos. 7, 8, 9 and 10, comprising about 84 piles. The Clerk of Works employed upon this work, and upon the general works in connection with the Board's Bridges, is Mr. F. Bastable, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

Lambeth Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Company, Contractors.—The re-paving of the carriage-way is complete. The whole of the saddles upon the iron cables have been removed and re-packed with marine glue. The painting of the cables and other ironwork, and the tarring of the interiors of the box-girders and the under-surfaces of the Bridge floor-plates, are in an advanced stage of completion. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. H. Beecher, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received,

and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, and be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th May, 1886, stating that Mr. A. Beag, who had been in the service of the Board as a Special Clerk of Works for various and lengthened periods during the past 24 years, had died on the 2nd instant.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th May, 1886, stating that Mr. W. F. Crane, a Draughtsman in his Department, was absent in consequence of illness; submitting a Medical Certificate, and recommending that he should be allowed one month's leave of absence, and that, in the event of his continued absence, his case should be reported upon at the expiration of that period.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that one month's leave of absence be granted to Mr. Crane.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th May, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contracts—

				ESTIMATE.
<i>Crossness Pumping Station.</i>				
Rebuilding Nos. 1 and 2 Benches of the Gas Retorts	...	...	£110	0 0
<i>Southern Outfall Sewer.</i>				
Repairs to the Sewage flap in the Sewer at Plumstead	...	...	50	0 0
<i>Western Pumping Station.</i>				
Cleaning and painting ironwork, &c., of Penstocks, filth hoists, pump-chambers, &c.	...	...	50	0 0
Total	...	...	£210	0 0

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th May, 1886, stating that the 18-inch main steam pipe at the Crossness Pumping Station had burst at a point situated at the South-West corner of the coal vaults; that a piece of the pipe, 3 feet in length by 18 inches in width, had been blown out, and nine boilers were placed in considerable danger; that by great efforts on the part of the Superintendent and his men the fires had been drawn, and further danger prevented; that none of the men had been injured by the explosion, and that very little damage had been done to the building, and suggesting that the Board should authorise him to consult Sir F. Bramwell as to any means that could be suggested for protection against the recurrence of a similar accident; and also as to the desirability of adopting a better form of service condenser for the purpose of economising and making the best use of the water required for the largely increased amount of pumping power which had been in operation at the Station for the past few years.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received, and that it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th May, 1886, stating that two of the four Locomotives which were purchased by the Board in the year 1878, for the purpose of driving the centrifugal pumps at the Crossness Pumping Station, were very much out of repair and could not longer be worked with safety, and recommending that they should be removed, and that the remaining two, which had been kept in reserve, should be substituted; and stating that the total cost of effecting the change would probably be about £500.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and acted upon; the cost of the work being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

19. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill was appointed for consideration by a Select Committee of the House of Commons on the 11th instant; that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been appointed for the 14th instant; and that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill had been appointed for the 21st instant.
20. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis) Bill, introduced by Mr. Dixon-Hartland, had been appointed for the 19th instant.
21. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill (introduced by Mr. Kimber and Mr. Vanderbilt) had been adjourned until the 14th instant.
22. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Fires Prevention Metropolis Bill (introduced by Mr. Spensley, M.P.), and stated that it proposed to authorise an inquiry in cases of loss or damage by fire, when the loss or damage exceeded the sum of £500, and the origin of the fire was unknown; and also in other cases, when the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade should report that the circumstances were proper for inquiry; that he had sent a copy of the Bill to each Member of the Board, and that the second reading had been adjourned until Thursday next, the 13th instant.
23. The Solicitor reported that the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill had been read a first time in the House of Lords on the 6th instant, and that no date had yet been fixed for the second reading.
24. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee of the House of Lords appointed to consider the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill, No. 1 (Lord Rayleigh); the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill, No. 2 (Lord Ashford); and the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill, No. 3 (Lord Houghton), would meet on Monday next, the 10th instant; that he had presented the Board's Petition against the Bills, and that the undermentioned Petitions, amongst others, had also been presented, viz.—

City Commissioners of Sewers.

Boards of Works for the Strand and Poplar Districts.

25. The Solicitor reported that the second reading in the House of Commons of the Compulsory Purchase of Land Compensation Bill had been appointed for the 12th instant.
26. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee on the River Lee would resume their sittings on Friday, the 14th instant.
27. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

28. The Solicitor reported that Sir Guyer Hunter, M.P., had asked the Chairman of the Board a question relative to the dangerous condition of the Tramway metals in the streets of the Metropolis, and whether the time had not arrived when some responsible officer should be charged with the duty of frequently inspecting the numerous Tramway routes in the Metropolis, and that the Chairman had replied to the effect that his attention had been called to accidents attributed to defects in the condition of Tramway metals, but that he was not aware that generally speaking they were either defective or dangerous; that the streets of the Metropolis were under the

control of the Vestries and District Boards, who had their properly qualified and responsible Surveyors, and that he did not see the necessity for appointing a special officer to discharge the duty of inspecting Tramway routes.

29. The Solicitor reported that the Lee River Purification Bill had been appointed to be considered by a Select Committee of the House of Commons on Tuesday next, the 11th instant.

30. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Lease to the Building Securities Company, Limited, of Plot No. 3, part of Plots Nos. 4 and 5, and Plots Nos. 6, 7 and 8, in Northumberland-avenue, and the Conveyance to the Company of the remainder of Plots Nos. 4 and 5.

Deed Poll for vesting in the Board a Leasehold interest in workshops at the rear of No. 21, Litchfield-street, Soho, claimed by Mr. P. R. de F. D'Humy, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement).

Conveyance, and a duplicate thereof, to the Governors of the Peabody Donation Fund, of the lands acquired by the Board, in the Parish of St. John the Evangelist, Westminster, under the Great Peter-street Artizans' Dwellings Act Scheme, and a Memorial for the registration of the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

31. The Solicitor reported that the Chairman had, since the last Meeting of the Board affixed the Seal to Petitions against the following Bills—

Bexley-heath Railway,
Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (Nos 1, 2 and 3) Bills.

32. The Solicitor reported that the arrangements with respect to the undermentioned Loans had been completed, and that the Cheques had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities—

						AMOUNT OF LOAN.
Chelsea Vestry	...	...	...	...	...	£6,000
Marylebone Vestry	...	...	...	...	...	14,000

33. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £7,000 to the Vestry of Chelsea, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some, or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first-mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of Seven thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said Vestry, in executing certain wood-paving works in the King's-road (between Limerston-street and Lots road), and in Pont-street, within the said Parish. *And Whereas*, the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Seven thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction, in writing, of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Seven thousand pounds, for the

purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £7,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of Chelsea; and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund accordingly.

- 34.** The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 21st ultimo (No. 3), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz:—

New King-street, &c. ...	...	...	...	...	Bethnal-green.
Medhurst-road ...	...	...	...	...	do.
Ashbrook-road, &c. ...	...	...	...	...	Islington.
Dresden-road, &c. ...	...	...	...	...	do.
Battersea-park-road (part), Battersea ...	...	...	...	...	Wandsworth.
Maury-road, &c. ...	...	...	...	...	Hackney.
Brockley-lane (part) ...	...	...	...	...	Lewisham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

- 35.** The Clerk presented a copy Report of the Water Examiner, appointed by the Board of Trade, of the examination made by him of the Water supplied by the several Metropolitan Water Companies during the month of March last.

- 36.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. Bayley, on behalf of the Churchwardens of St. Olave and St. John, Southwark, dated 21st April, 1886, thanking the Board for their promise of a contribution towards the cost of the conversion of the old Burial-ground in St. John's Parish into a place of resort for the inhabitants of the Parishes.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

- 37.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. L. Bathurst, Metropolitan Police Office, dated 24th April, 1886, transmitting copy of a Police Report respecting the case of a man who attempted to commit suicide on the Victoria Embankment on the 18th instant.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

- 38.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. R. May, dated 21st April, 1886, transmitting copy of a Resolution passed at a meeting of unemployed working men, as to providing temporary employment.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

- 39.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. H. Ellis, Hon. Secretary of the Aldersgate Club, dated 29th April, 1886, expressing the opinion of the Club that the land known as Parliament-fields and East Park, Hampstead, should be secured by the Board, with the assistance of the Corporation, for the recreation of the public.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

- 40.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. P. Cockburn, Clerk to the Vestry of Hammersmith, dated 29th April, 1886, thanking the Board for their decision with regard to the adding to Brook-green the piece of land on the West side of that Open Space.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. L. Pemberton, Home Office, dated 29th April, 1886, returning a copy of the Bye-laws made by the Board for the regulation of Highbury-fields, approved by the Home Secretary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the Bye-laws made by the Board on the 29th January, 1886, for the regulation of Highbury-fields, be now confirmed, as required by the 202nd Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the said Bye-laws be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, with authority to give effect to the same, in like manner as they are now empowered to act with regard to the Bye-laws relating to other Open Spaces under the control of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That a printed copy of the Bye-laws be delivered at the Office of the Board to any person applying for the same, upon payment of 2d. for each copy.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the Seal of the Board be affixed to two printed copies of the Bye-laws, for production in case of any prosecution thereunder.

The Clerk laid before the Board two copies of the said Bye-laws ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 26th April, 1886, calling attention to the sites of Coldbath Fields and Clerkenwell Prisons, the use of which had been discontinued, and enquiring whether there was any probability of the Board negotiating with the Prison Commissioners for the purchase of the two sites, or either of them, with a view to appropriating them to the erection of dwellings for the Working Classes.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Searle, Clerk to the New River Company, dated 21st April, 1886, stating that the Company were about to lay pipes for a constant supply of Water on a new building Estate called the Agincourt-park Estate, Hampstead, as shown on the Plan accompanying the Letter, and asking the Board, as the Fire Hydrants could be more economically fixed during the progress of pipe laying, to indicate the number and position of the requisite Hydrants.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer and Captain Shaw do report to the Committee thereon.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Searle, Clerk to the New River Company, dated 27th April, 1886, stating that the Company were about to introduce the system of constant Water supply in certain parts of the Parish of St. Pancras, as described in the Notice presented to the Board, and asking them, as it would be desirable for the sake of economy to fix the necessary Fire Hydrants at the same time, to inform the Company, at an early date, the number and positions of the Hydrants they desired should be fixed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer and Captain Shaw do report to the Committee thereon.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. W. Murnane, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, dated 20th April, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Memorial presented by the Royal Institute of British Architects to the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., on the subject of the site for the new Admiralty and War Offices, and a copy of a Resolution of the Vestry stating that they approved of and supported the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter and Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

46. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. G. Calcraft, Board of Trade, dated 21st April, 1886, stating that the Promoters of the London, Highgate, and Finchley Tramways Provisional Order had intimated that they did not propose to proceed further with their application, and that consequently the Order would not be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Dewey, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 21st April, 1886, stating that the Vestry deemed it advisable that the Board should obtain legislative powers for more direct control by the local authorities over the laying of Gas, Water, and other mains in the streets of the Metropolis, and for legalising the use by such authorities of Steam Road Rollers.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration and report.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Chelsea.

Vestry-hall, King's-road, S.W.,

21st April, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry to make application to the Metropolitan Board of Works for a Loan of £10,000, being the balance of the amount sanctioned by them to be borrowed for the purpose of the Vestry-hall extension, in accordance with your Letter of the 28th October last.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. EISDELL SALWAY,

Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor, and the Accountant, do report to the Committee thereon.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Parish of St. James, Westminster.

Vestry-hall, Piccadilly, W.,

28th April, 1886.

SIR,—The Vestry of this Parish have recently entered into Contracts for the paving of certain streets in this Parish with wood or asphalt according to list annexed. The total cost of this work is estimated at £4,477 9s. 9d., and I am directed to request the authority of the Board to the borrowing of the sum of £4,000 in respect thereof, re-payment of the same to be spread over a period of four years, and to ask the Board to be so good as to advance the said sum to the Vestry.

I enclose, for the information of the Board, a copy of the Specification of the works proposed to be carried out.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) HARRY WILKINS,

The Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

Vestry Clerk.

27th April, 1886.

St. James, Westminster.

STATEMENT of works to be carried out during the Twelve months ending 25th March, 1887.

Name of Street.	Description of Work.	Area in Square Yards.	Rate per Square Yard.	£	s.	d.
Arundell-street ...	2 in. compressed Asphalte, on 6 in. Portland cement concrete	525	12s. 0d.	315	0	0
Rupert street... ..	" " "	1,600	"	960	0	0
Upper Rupert-street	" " "	271	"	162	12	0
Archer-street	" " "	525	"	315	0	0
Great Windmill-street (Upper part)	" " "	550	"	330	0	0
Smith's - yard, Great Windmill-street	" " "	184	"	110	8	0
Lexington-street ...	" " "	1,028	"	616	16	0
Great Vine-street ...	" " "	220	"	132	0	0
Regent-place	" " "	198	"	118	16	0
Norris-street	" " "	256	"	153	12	0
Market-street... ..	" " "	360	"	216	0	0
Carlton-street	" " "	239	"	143	8	0
Cleveland-row	" " "	129	"	77	8	0
Angel - court, King-street, St. James-square.	1 in. compressed asphalte, on 3 in. Portland cement concrete	184	6s. 6d.	59	16	0
Charles - street (East end)	9 in. by 3 in. by 6 in. yellow deal blocks on 6 in. Portland cement concrete	1,296	7s. 3d.	466	3	6
Ryder-street	" " "	829	"	300	10	3
				£4,477	9	9

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

141, Greenwich-road, Greenwich, S.E.,
30th April, 1886.

LOAN OF £15,000.

SIR,—Referring to my Letter of the 12th February last, in which I applied on behalf of this Board for a Loan of £15,000, to be applied as to £12,000 in paving with granite cubes, and as to £3,000 in paving with wooden blocks, I am instructed to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works to lend £13,000, instead of £12,000, for granite paving, and £2,000, instead of £3,000, for wood paving, the £12,000 to be re-paid in 20 years, and the £2,000 in six. I shall be obliged if you will lay this application before your Board. I enclose the Surveyor's estimate of the cost of the works.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. SPENCER,

The Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

Clerk of the Board.

7 May, 1886.

Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

141, Greenwich-road, Greenwich, S.E.,

1st May, 1886.

To Sir Joseph Bazalgette,
Engineer, &c.,

Metropolitan Board of Works.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to hand you an amended Estimate for paving the Tramway margins in the Greenwich Parish, viz.—

	£	s.	d.
18,000 yards super. of 3 in. by 7 in. and 4 in. by 7 in. Guernsey granite cubes set on 6 in. of best Blue Lias Lime Concrete, at 14s. 6d. per yard super.	13,050	0	0
3,000 yards super. of Improved Wood Paving, set on 6 in. Portland Cement Concrete, at 13s. 6d. per yard super.	2,025	0	0
To allow for new Granite Kerb, 7 in. by 12 in., as supports in place of defectives	230	0	0
	<u>£15,305</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

(Signed) JAMES R. HEWARD,

Road Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

51. The Clerk presented Letters, as follows—

Letters from Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor for St. Pancras North, dated 29th April, 1886, and Mr. C. Foulsham, District Surveyor for Bromley, dated 1st May, 1886, applying for the appointment of District Surveyor for the vacant District of Chelsea.

Letter from Mr. W. A. Large, District Surveyor for the Belgrave and Pimlico Division of St. George, Hanover-square, dated 26th April, 1886, suggesting a slight alteration of boundary of his District and the vacant District of Chelsea, so as to equalise somewhat the two Districts.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letters be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which they relate.

52. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. G. Hills, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 29th April, 1886, stating that it had been reported to them that the party-wall of a house in Leathwaite-road, Battersea, had been blown down on the 8th March last, and that a house in Santos-road, West-hill, Wandsworth, had fallen on the 28th January last, and calling attention to the matters with the view of enquiry being made as to the nature of the materials used in the construction of the buildings referred to.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

53. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Whale, Clerk to the Plumstead District Board, dated 28th April, 1886, transmitting a draft of a Clause which the District Board desired to have inserted in this Board's next Various Powers Bill, to enable Vestries and District Boards to repair roads, &c., without prejudice to the subsequent recovery of the cost of paving such roads or new streets.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

54. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. G. Buckle, dated 3rd May, 1886, applying, on behalf of Mr. J. N. Maskelyne, for approval by the Board of proposed alterations to the Egyptian Hall, in Piccadilly, as shown on the Plans, and described in the specification accompanying the Letter, and stating that it was the intention of

Mr. Maskelyne, when the proposed new stairs were built, to apply for a Dramatic License.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

55. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. G. Hickson, dated 4th May, 1886, transmitting a Memorial from inhabitants of Chalcot-gardens, Hampstead, against the Order of the Board for the incorporation of Chalcot-gardens with England's-lane.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter and Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

56. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. P. Cockburn, Clerk to the Vestry of Hammersmith, dated 4th May, 1886, transmitting a Resolution of the Vestry, asking this Board for a contribution of at least one-half of the purchase-money of the Ravenscourt-park Estate, situated between the High-road from Hammersmith to Turnham-green, comprising about 32 acres, as shown on the Plan accompanying the Letter.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

57. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. H. Parkes, Secretary of the Bolingbroke Tradesmen and Ratepayers' Club, dated 1st May, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Resolution of the Club, stating the urgent need of a Fire-escape Station being established at the triangular plot opposite the "Falcon" at Clapham Junction, or at some other spot suitable to the requirements of No. 4 Ward of the Parish of Battersea.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

58. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. M. Jenkins, Clerk to the Strand District Board, dated 5th May, 1886, requesting that a Clause might be inserted in one of the Bills to be promoted by this Board in Parliament, with a view to the amendment of the law with regard to the laying of Gas and Water pipes and other mains in the streets of the Metropolis, including all new streets, and the use of Steam Rollers on carriage-ways.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

59. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. S. H. Louttit, Secretary of the Lambeth Waterworks Company, dated 6th May, 1886, stating that many streets in the Constant Supply divisions, entirely supplied by the Company, were unprovided with Fire Hydrants, and consequently inadequately protected from fire as regarded those appliances; forwarding a Return of the number of Hydrants in each of the divisions, and copies of the Company's Hydrant Plans for the information of the Board, and requesting that the Plans might be returned to the Company.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

60. It was **moved** by Mr. Shepherd, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Fowler, and **resolved**—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to consider the desirability of obtaining an order of the Justices for the closing of Pipe's-alley, in the Star-corner Improvement, and that the Committee be authorised to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard to the subject.

61. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. L. Pemberton, Home Office, dated 6th May, 1886, asking the Board to insert in their Money Bill for the present Session a Clause enabling them to lend to the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District the sum of £200,000, in the event of the Metropolitan Police Stations Bill becoming law during the Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report.

62. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., dated 6th May, 1886, asking for an extension of time for sending in their Tender for the Steam Ferry Boats.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Messrs. Taylor and Co. be informed that the Board cannot accede to their request.

63. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. C. Robins, dated 5th May, 1886, with 12 copies of his pamphlet on the extension of the site of the new Government Offices at Whitehall, the widening of Charing-cross, and the opening of the Mall to Trafalgar-square, and suggesting that Drummond's Bank should be removed and be re-erected on land at the rear of its present site.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, and that Mr. Robins be thanked for the copies of his pamphlet.

64. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. W. Lakeman, Secretary of the Thames Steamboat Company, dated 6th May, 1886, representing the desirability of placing a temporary Steamboat Pier near to Hammersmith Bridge; enclosing a tracing showing a position on the tow-path on the Surrey side where a pier might be placed, and asking the Board to assist the Company by making arrangements for the erection of a jetty at the site shown on the tracing, which might take the place of the old Pier.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Bridges Committee, for consideration and report.

65. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. C. Radford, on behalf of the Vicar and Churchwardens of Putney, dated 6th May, 1886, renewing the request for the restoration to the Church of the piece of waste land forming part of the approach to old Putney Bridge, and shown on the Plan forwarded, in exchange for the land, also shown on the said Plan, which the Board proposed to add to the Churchyard on the South side.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Bridges Committee, for consideration and report.

66. The Chemist laid before the Board his Returns of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the weeks ended on the 20th and 27th April, and the 4th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphureted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.1	16.7	16.9	12.0	9.2	10.6	0.3	0.0	0.1	None
	Camden ...	17.3	16.1	16.6	11.8	9.6	10.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Dalston ...	16.4	16.2	16.3	10.1	9.6	9.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow ...	17.2	16.5	16.8	13.2	9.4	11.0	1.2	0.5	0.6	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.9	16.6	16.8	13.4	12.0	12.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	" (Nine-elms) ...	16.9	16.3	16.6	11.7	10.1	10.9	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	Kingsland-road ...	17.5	16.8	17.0	12.5	9.2	11.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross ...	17.3	16.8	17.0	11.4	8.4	9.9	0.8	0.6	0.7	"
	St. John's-wood ...	17.2	16.7	16.9	12.7	10.5	11.4	0.7	0.1	0.4	"
	Lambeth-road ...	16.8	16.3	16.6	14.3	11.3	13.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Station closed for repairs									
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Peckham ...	17.5	16.6	17.0	9.0	3.5	6.0	0.8	0.0	0.5	"
	Tooley-street... ..	17.0	16.2	16.4	11.6	6.2	9.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Clapham ...	16.9	16.4	16.7	14.0	8.7	11.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Lewisham ...	16.6	16.0	16.2	9.5	8.4	8.7	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford ...	17.2	16.9	17.1	9.0	8.0	8.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	17.3	16.5	16.9	15.8	7.2	12.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	"

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.2	16.5	16.7	10.0	8.0	9.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	None.
	Camden ...	17.2	16.5	16.7	10.6	9.6	10.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Dalston ...	16.3	16.2	16.3	9.8	9.2	9.4	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Bow ...	17.1	16.7	16.9	13.7	9.2	11.8	0.7	0.0	0.3	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	17.0	16.6	16.8	13.6	10.8	12.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	„ (Nine-elms) ...	16.8	16.8	16.8	11.8	11.1	11.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	"
	Kingsland-road ...	17.7	17.2	17.4	13.3	9.2	10.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross ...	17.2	16.4	16.9	9.2	8.4	8.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	"
	St. John's-wood ...	17.0	16.9	16.9	12.7	10.1	11.1	0.7	0.1	0.4	"
	Lambeth-road ...	16.8	16.6	16.7	13.2	12.3	12.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Station closed for repairs.									
	Peckham ...	17.2	16.7	16.9	9.4	5.5	7.0	1.8	0.0	0.4	"
	Tooley-street ...	16.7	16.4	16.6	12.6	8.5	10.9	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Clapham ...	16.7	16.4	16.5	10.7	8.5	9.1	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Lewisham ...	16.5	16.1	16.3	9.6	7.3	8.7	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford ...	17.2	17.0	17.1	9.3	7.7	8.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	17.4	17.1	17.3	12.7	9.1	10.7	0.1	0.1	0.1	"

Company.	District.	Illuminating power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.1	16.8	16.9	9.6	8.3	9.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	None
	Camden ...	17.1	16.4	16.9	13.3	9.0	10.9	0.2	0.1	0.1	"
	Dalston ...	16.5	16.0	16.2	10.4	8.5	9.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow ...	16.7	16.2	16.5	12.0	9.8	10.9	0.8	0.4	0.6	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.6	16.3	16.5	12.6	10.9	11.9	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	„ (Nine-elms) ...	17.3	16.5	16.9	16.4	14.0	15.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	"
	Kingsland-road ...	18.0	16.6	17.4	11.1	8.8	9.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross ...	17.1	16.1	16.6	13.0	9.7	10.5	1.1	0.2	0.7	"
	St. John's-wood ...	17.3	16.6	16.9	12.7	10.8	11.4	0.6	0.2	0.4	"
	Lambeth-road ...	16.9	16.6	16.8	14.3	9.5	12.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Station closed for repairs									
	Peckham ...	17.3	16.4	16.8	9.8	4.3	6.3	0.8	0.0	0.3	"
	Tooley-street ...	16.6	16.2	16.5	11.1	10.3	10.7	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Clapham ...	16.8	16.1	16.5	16.2	8.5	11.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Lewisham ...	16.6	16.2	16.5	10.2	8.5	9.4	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford ...	17.1	16.6	16.9	9.7	7.3	8.3	0.4	0.1	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	17.3	16.7	17.0	16.1	8.8	11.9	0.2	0.0	0.1	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Commercial Gas Company, as tested in Collingwood-street, E., on 1st instant, at 7.30 p.m., was 1.9 inch.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Commercial Gas Company, as tested in Old Ford-road, on 4th instant, at 7.0 p.m., was 1.5 inch.

67. BERMONDSEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor, relative to the erection by Mr. J. Hutchings, of a wood and iron pent roof in front of No. 97, Drummond-road, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that road, and contrary to the provisions of the Building Act, 1855.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

68. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd May, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. W. D. Crowhurst, for

the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 140, Rye-lane, Peckham, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 69. CLERKENWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. M. Davis, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of Nos. 1 and 2, North-street, Pentonville, to the advanced line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Robson, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

- 70. HAMMERSMITH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd May, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Eggar, on behalf of Mr. G. L. P. Eyre, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 79 and 81, Goldhawk-road, Shepherd's-bush, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 71. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. A. Lewcock, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a temporary wood and iron Church at the corner of Rectory and Evering Roads, Stoke Newington, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, and seconded by Mr. Brown—That the application be not granted.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and, having been put as an *original motion*, it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

- 72. HAMMERSMITH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. G. Knight, on behalf of the London Sailing-boat-house Company, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wooden balcony at the Club-house in the Mall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 73. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection, by Mr. Dilloway, of a corner house in Mill-lane, abutting on Broomsleigh-street, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 74. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Eve, on behalf of Mr. R. Clarence, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses at the corner of Whistler-street and Drayton-park, Highbury, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 75. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th March, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. A. Wigg, for the consent of the Board to the

erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 1, Kingsland-green, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*--That the application be not granted.

- 76. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. I'Anson, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of seven shops, being Nos. 136 to 148 (even numbers only), Clapham-road, to the advanced line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 77. MILE-END OLD-TOWN.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd May, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Drewe, on behalf of the Mile-end Distillery Company, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition in front of No. 86, Mile-end-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the addition therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and also upon condition that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the step in front of the existing premises be removed, and the space occupied thereby given up and added to the public way, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered, or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 78. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. J. Nichols, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses on the East side of Church-lane, Old Charlton, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 79. ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Gardiner, Son and Theobald, on behalf of Mr. V. Matthews, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a water-closet addition at the rear of No. 22, Suffolk-street, Pall-mall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 80. ST. MARYLEBONE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Ashbridge, District Surveyor, relative to the construction and erection of a pent roof in front of No. 18, Finchley-road, St. John's-wood, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that road, and contrary to the provisions of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 81. ST. PANCRAS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. V. J. Grose, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a wooden building on the forecourt of No. 99, Euston-road, in alleged advance of the general line of building in that road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 82. CITY OF LONDON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. W. Maw, on behalf of the Proprietors of the *St. James' Gazette*, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the re-construction of a chimney-shaft at the Printing Offices in Dorset-court, Dorset-square.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 83. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Harbrow, on behalf of Lady P. K. C. B. Granville, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Chapel at the rear of Normand House, Normand-lane.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 84. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Garcke, on behalf of the Anglo-American Brush Electric Light Corporation, Limited, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a temporary iron building at the rear of No. 112, Belvedere-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a period of One year from this date, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 85. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. M. Brutton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of an extension of Clarendon-place, Leipsic-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 86. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Moseley, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of dwelling houses, by Messrs. Gibbs and Flew, in a new road leading out of North-end-road, the Plan for the formation of such road not having been approved by the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 87. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Moseley, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of houses by Mr. A. Cooper, on the South-West side of Bagley's-lane-road, within the distance from the centre of the road prescribed by the Amendment Act, 1878.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 88. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of stables by Messrs. Scantlebury and Co. at the rear of houses in Fordwych-road, Kilburn, approached by a narrow way 15 feet in width, out of Garlinge-road, Edgware-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 89. KENSINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Thorn, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a street and mews out of Brompton-road, and for the widening of Yeoman's-row and Michael's-grove in connection therewith.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 90. NEWINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. McClymont, on behalf of Mr. Steer, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of Artizans' Dwellings, with paved ways and yard, to lead out of Victory-place, Walworth.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 91. ST. MARYLEBONE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction of two open play-sheds at the Schools in Capland-street, Lisson-grove.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 92. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Payne, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in superintending the fixing of a small steam engine and vertical boiler at the rear of No. 122, Mare-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Fifteen shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

- 93. PADDINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Gundry, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of Fees for special services performed by him in certifying that the chimney-breasts in the party-walls between the following premises might be cut away—Nos. 5 and 7 Heatherley-grove (two chimney-breasts), Nos. 13 and 14, Sussex-mews East (two chimney-breasts), Nos. 327 and 329, Edgware-road, and No. 329, Edgware-road, and No. 129, Church-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Twenty shillings in respect of each of the first two cases, and a Fee of Ten shillings in each of the other two cases referred to.

- 94. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. F. Swynfin, on behalf of the St. James's Temperance Mission and Lecture Hall Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of certain variations from the Drawings sanctioned by the Board, for the erection of the St. James's Temperance Mission-hall, in Royal-road, Kennington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 95. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, a License and Plan, in duplicate, in respect of an addition to a temporary Church erected in Margravine-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License and Plan, in duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

- 96. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Morris, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the workshops in Pigwell-path, Mare-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with

the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

97. MILE-END OLD-TOWN.—Read a communication from Mr. Henry Simpson Legg, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Mile-end Old-town, dated 4th May, 1886, notifying that the re-instatement of a building on the site of Nos. 289, 291 and 293 Commercial-road, was about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~, and ~~ordered~~, as follows—~~Whereas~~, Mr. Henry Simpson Legg, District Surveyor for the District of Mile-end Old-town, did, on the 4th day of May, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said Henry Simpson Legg, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the re-instatement of a building on the site of Nos. 289, 291, and 293, Commercial-road, and the said Henry Simpson Legg has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is ~~ordered~~ by this Board—That Mr. Samuel Stenton Markham, District Surveyor for the District of St. George-in-the-East, St. Botolph without, Aldgate, and St. Paul, Shadwell, be appointed by this Board, and the said Samuel Stenton Markham is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 14th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 18.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **14th** day of **May**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, Esq.	EDWIN LAWRENCE, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.
WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOWLER, BART., ALDERMAN, M.P.	ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WILLIAMS, Esq.
WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	JOHN LENANTON, Esq.
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GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.	FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LINDSAY, Esq.
CAPTAIN WENBORN.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	ALFRED EWING, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.
BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIRCLOUGH, Esq.
ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETENHALL, Esq.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.
JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	ALFRED POCKOCK, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	COLONEL MUNRO.	
WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.		

1. Previously to the doors being opened to the public, Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 11th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration the subject of the funds in hand to meet the requirements of the Board on Capital Accounts, and they have arrived at the conclusion that steps should now be taken for raising an additional Loan, by a further issue of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, and they accordingly recommend—

That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to determine what sums will be necessary for meeting the requirements of the Board, and generally as to the best

course to be pursued for raising such sums as may be required, and that the Chairman of the Board, and the present and the late Chairman of the Finance Committee, be appointed as a Committee to carry out such instructions as the Works and General Purposes Committee may give under this reference.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
CHARLES MOSSOP,
WILLIAM B. GARRETT,
HENRY HARBEN.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben, and *resolved*—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to determine what sums will be necessary for meeting the requirements of the Board, and generally as to the best course to be pursued for raising such sums as may be required, and that the Chairman of the Board, and the present and the late Chairman of the Finance Committee, be appointed as a Committee to carry out such instructions as the Works and General Purposes Committee may give under this reference.

2. At this stage of the proceedings the public were admitted.
3. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 7th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.
4. The Chairman stated that their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales had kindly consented to open the new Bridge which the Board have constructed over the Thames at Putney, and had fixed Saturday, the 29th instant, for the ceremony.
5. A Deputation from the Holborn District Board, introduced by Mr. Phillips, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. Maclean, Mr. E. Matthey, Mr. T. Pellett, Mr. G. E. Cross, Mr. W. Easy, Mr. J. Hayes, and Mr. W. Frankland, accompanied by Mr. S. W. Hopwood, the Clerk, and Mr. L. H. Isaacs, M.P., the Surveyor to the District Board, attended.

The undermentioned gentlemen also attended as a Deputation from the Vestry of Clerkenwell—Mr. S. Waters and Mr. E. Sans, accompanied by Mr. R. Paget, the Clerk to the Vestry.

The Deputation from the Holborn District Board handed in a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

In Parliament.—Session, 1886.

NORTH METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS (No. 1).

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Holborn District, under their Common Seal,

SHEWETH—

1.—That a Bill is now pending in the House of Commons for the purpose of empowering the North Metropolitan Tramways Company to construct (among other Tramways) an extension of the existing Clerkenwell-road Lines along the Theobald's-road to Bloomsbury, and a further extension along the Gray's-inn-road to Holborn.

2.—That both the above extensions lie within the District of your Memorialists, and the former of these lines has already received the assent of your Honourable Board as far as Devonshire-street, but your Memorialists have learnt with deep regret that your Honourable Board, in giving their assent to the Bill, have required an undertaking from the Promoters to abandon the Gray's-inn-road extension.

3.—Your Memorialists, as the road authority primarily affected by the Scheme, are confident that the proposed extension is one which, while greatly benefiting the inhabitants

of the District, is absolutely essential to the proper development of the system of Metropolitan Tramways, the principle of which first received the assent of your Honourable Board in the year 1869.

4.—Your Memorialists would also point out that the Gray's-inn-road, between the Town-hall and Holborn, is admirably suited for the construction and working of Tramways with the least possible interference with the general traffic, and that your Honourable Board has already sanctioned the construction by the London Street Tramways Company of a line along the upper portion of Gray's-inn-road to King's-cross.

5.—Your Memorialists are informed that the Promoters, in view of the Scheme proposed by the London Street Tramways Company, entered into an agreement to grant the said Company the right of carrying passengers over the said lines as far as Holborn, and your Memorialists would, therefore, respectfully submit that your Honourable Board would, by relieving the Promoters of so much of their undertaking as relates to the Gray's-inn-road, be conferring a double benefit on the Inhabitants of the District.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to relieve the North Metropolitan Tramways Company of so much of their undertaking aforesaid as relates to the Gray's-inn-road extension.

(Signed) B. GARROD,
Chairman.

(Signed) S. W. HOPWOOD,
Clerk.

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The Deputation having been heard in support of the Memorial,

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, and seconded—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

The motion having been put to the vote, there were for it 17, against it 8, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

Mr. Robson, on behalf of the Deputation from the Vestry of Clerkenwell, handed in their Memorial, as follows—

In Parliament—Session 1886.

NORTH METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS (No. 1).

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell in the County of Middlesex, under their Common Seal,

SHEWETH,—

1.—That a Bill has been introduced in the House of Commons to authorise the construction by the North Metropolitan Tramways Company of certain extensions of their existing lines in the Clerkenwell-road.

2.—That the Clerkenwell-road line, which was opened for traffic in September last, passing Eastward through your Memorialists District, gives direct communication between the District and the whole of the North and East of the Metropolis, passing Westward the line terminates at present opposite to the Holborn Town Hall, and although it has proved of great value to the District, it is felt that the value is greatly lessened by the fact that the line stops at a point where there is obviously no natural terminus, and which leaves passengers at a considerable distance from a main traffic thoroughfare.

3.—That of the extensions proposed by the said Bill, one along the Theobald's-road has received the assent of your Honourable Board up to Devonshire-street; that the other, which turns off along the Gray's-inn-road to Holborn, has been required by your Honourable Board to be abandoned by the Promoters.

4.—That your Petitioners are satisfied that this proposed extension along the Gray's-inn-road is of hardly less importance to the inhabitants of the Parish of Clerkenwell and the neighbouring District, than the direct extension Westwards; and that your Petitioners therefore earnestly hope that your Honourable Board will relieve the Company from their undertaking to strike out the Gray's-inn-road line from the Bill, and thereby enable the

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Tramway Company to afford your Petitioners and the public the additional advantage of the extension in question.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

Sealed with the Common Seal of the Vestry, this Fourteenth day of May, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

By Order,
(Signed) ROBERT PAGET,
Vestry Clerk.



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It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Robson, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the foregoing reference.

6. This being the day for receiving Designs and Tenders for the construction of two steam Ferry Boats, for the purpose of conveying foot passengers, cattle, and vehicles across the river Thames, between North and South Woolwich,

The Clerk laid before the Board thirteen Tenders which he had received, pursuant to the Advertisement.

It was ~~moved~~, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Tenders be now opened.

The Tenders were then opened, as follows—

Messrs. R. and H. Green, Blackwall-yard, with two Plans and two Specifications. For two boats, if the engines were constructed by Messrs. J. Penn and Sons, £16,800; if the engines were by Messrs. J. Stewart and Son, £16,500; or if the engines were by Messrs. Young and Sons, £16,000.

Mr. W. H. Marks, No. 6, Highbury-quadrant, Highbury-new-park, with one Plan and printed particulars. No price stated.

Sir W. G. Armstrong, Mitchell and Co., Limited, Walker Shipyard, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, with three Plans and two Specifications. £8,500 for each boat.

Barrow Shipbuilding Co., Limited, Barrow-in-Furness, Lancashire, with four Plans and two Specifications. £15,300 for one boat.

Messrs. Fleming and Ferguson, Phoenix Works, Paisley, with one Plan and one Specification. £10,500 for each boat.

The Thames Ironworks and Shipbuilding Co., Limited, Orchard-yard, Blackwall, with four Plans and one Specification. £12,900 for each boat.

Messrs. Samuda, Brothers, Limited, Poplar, with two Plans and three Specifications. £35,313 for two boats, if with the engines by Messrs. Young and Son; £39,823, if with engines by Messrs. J. and G. Rennie.

Messrs. Oswald, Mordaunt and Co., Southampton, with three Plans and one Specification. £13,750 for each boat.

Messrs. E. Finch and Co., Limited, Bridge Works, Chepstow, with six Plans and two Specifications. £11,250 for each boat.

Victoria Graving Dock Co., Limited, Victoria Docks, London, with four Plans and one Specification. £22,000 for two boats, or £12,000 for one.

Messrs. R. Craggs and Sons, Cleveland Slipways, Middlesborough-on-Tees, with two Plans and two Specifications. £5,980 for one boat.

Messrs. Wood, Skinner and Co., Bill Quay, Newcastle-on-Tyne, with one Plan and one Specification. £6,950 for each boat.

Messrs. W. Simons and Co., London Works, Renfrew, with three Plans and one Specification. Two Paddle Steamers for £11,500; two Screw Steamers for £14,500 or £11,300.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the said Designs and Specifications be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and also to the Engineer and Sir F. Bramwell, to report to the Committee thereon.

7. Mr. Meaden handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.,
13th May, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by this Board to inform you that they have had under consideration the subject of the inadequate provision made for saving life in case of fire in the Southernmost part of the Parish of Battersea, which includes the thickly-populated district lying South of the Railway, at and near Clapham Junction. There has been a very large increase in the number of houses in the locality in question during the last few years, and the nearest Fire-escape Station is the one in Battersea-park-road. This Board would be obliged if the Metropolitan Board of Works will be good enough to take this matter into their consideration with the view of providing a Fire-escape in the locality in question as soon as practicable.

It is suggested that the triangular piece of ground at the junction of Lavender-hill and Falcon-road would be a suitable position in which to place such Fire-escape.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) HEN. GEO. HILLS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Meaden, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration and report.

8. Mr. Meaden handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.
13th May, 1886.

HYDE-PARK-CORNER (NEW STREETS) BILL.

DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by this Board to inform you that they have had under consideration the provisions of this Bill, as amended by the Select Committee of the House of Commons.

This Board are of opinion that it is unjust that the poorer Parishes in the Metropolis, which are already burdened with heavy rates, should be called upon to contribute towards the cost of maintaining streets situate in the wealthy Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, the rates of which are much lower.

The Board have resolved to present a Petition to the House of Lords, praying that the Bill may be amended so as to provide for the whole cost of maintaining these new streets being defrayed by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, and they trust that the Metropolitan Board of Works will do all in their power to secure an amendment of the Bill to that effect.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) HEN. GEO. HILLS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Meaden, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, and the Parliamentary Committee.

9. Mr. Andrews handed in a Memorial, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

SHEWETH AS FOLLOWS—

In the month of September last, your Memorialists addressed to your Honourable Board a Memorial praying your Honourable Board, for the reasons stated in the Memorial, to construct a new street in direct continuation of the Lower-road, Deptford into the Creek-road.

Your Memorialists have prepared a Plan, showing the neighbourhood through which the proposed new street would pass, and have indicated upon it a suggestion of the direction which such a street might take.

The need for such an Improvement is even more apparent now than it was last year, as the traffic from the City along the Lower-road, Deptford, is continually increasing.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honourable Board will take this subject into your favourable consideration, and will construct a new street of adequate width in direct communication from the Lower-road, Deptford, to the Creek-road.

Sealed at and in pursuance of a Resolution of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, passed at a Meeting of the said Board held on the 12th of May, 1886.

(Signed) J. SPENCER,
Clerk of the Board.

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The Plan referred was laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Andrews, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

10. Read a Letter from the Vestry of Hammersmith, dated 13th May, 1886, stating that the Vestry had been informed by the Plumstead District Board that they had asked this Board to insert in one of their Bills before Parliament a Clause to enable Vestries and District Boards to repair roads, without prejudice to the subsequent recovery of expenses of paving such roads as new streets, and stating that the Vestry concurred in the view of the District Board and asking this Board to insert such a Clause as that proposed.

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

11. The Clerk in reply to a question by Mr. Shepherd, stated that he had received a Letter from Mr. Godfrey relative to his Tender for the construction of the new Bridge at Battersea.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Harben, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be now read.

The Clerk then read the Letter from Mr. G. B. Godfrey, dated 13th May, 1886, to the effect that, since the Meeting of the Board on Friday last, he had examined more fully the details of his Tender for the construction of the new Bridge at Battersea, and that owing to certain facts, which he had stated to the Board's Engineer, the amount of his Tender should be increased to £138,000, and that he would not feel justified in signing a Contract for the work unless the additional £8,000 were added to the price.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration and report.

12. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 11th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

14 May, 1886.

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 17th April, 1886	...	...	...	£175,668	2	—	
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day				56,910	7	2	
							£236
Payments since 17th April, 1886	...	...	...				16
Balance on 8th May, 1886	...	{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank		£72,098	12	1	—
		Less cheques not presented		1,801	16	7	

AGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance on 17th April, 1886	...	...	...	...	£1,385	17	9	
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	...	5,143	16	10	
								£6,
Payments since 17th April, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,
Balance on 8th May, 1886, viz., Balance overdrawn	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

Total Cash Balances on 8th May, 1886

Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 17th April, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.		Balances, 8th May, 1886.	
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.	At Debit.	At Credit.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Trading Accounts—						
General	38,012 17 2	...	1,023 9 10	13,260 4 4	50,249 11 8	
Police Brigade	20,464 15 10	...	626 5 2	7,297 6 3	27,135 16 11	
Indigees	...	6,404 1 5	367 16 4	1,083 9 6	...	
Capital Accounts—						
General	...	707,254 4 10	...	24,546 13 10	...	
Police Brigade	5,344 11 6	...	...	210 6 4	5,554 17 10	
Indigees (Act of 1877)	7,724 2 7	...	...	3 3 -	7,727 5 7	
Indigees (Act of 1881)	20,757 11 1	...	...	2,148 16 5	22,906 7 6	
Indigees (Act of 1883)	6,651 17 11	...	...	32 16 8	6,684 14 7	
Colwich Ferry (1885)	- 9 6	...	...	- 10 5	- 19 11	
San Drainage and Main Sewers	32,926 16 10	...	...	7,094 4 -	40,021 - 10	
Works and Open Spaces	151 14 2	...	...	18 18 8	170 12 10	
Highbury Fields	30,410 2 9	...	...	300 - -	30,710 2 9	
Streets (Act of 1872)	988 11 -	...	...	1 8 -	989 19 -	
Streets (Act of 1877)	59,167 3 10	...	...	12,385 9 10	71,552 13 8	
Chancery-lane E. etc.	6 4 -	...	...	3 8 5	9 12 5	
Streets (Act of 1883)	72,602 10 4	...	...	7,265 19 4	79,868 9 8	
Streets (Act of 1884)	2,919 3 11	...	...	4 1 10	2,923 5 9	
Streets (Act of 1885)	8 2 6	...	...	- 4 9	8 7 3	
Gold Street	...	145 9 3	...	...	...	
Impstead Improvements	49,099 19 1	...	7 7 -	6,605 13 8	55,698 5 9	
Parliamentary Improvements	3,336 17 -	...	3 7 11	586 11 1	3,920 - 2	
James Floods Prevention	441 14 11	...	...	55 7 3	497 2 2	
Miscellaneous—						
Wellington House Improvement Fund	4,496 9 11	...	7 - -	2,203 18 8	6,693 8 7	
Consolidated Loans Fund	182,717 12 4	...	54,875 - 11	77,171 17 -	205,014 8 5	
Firemen's Savings Fund	...	93 14 8	...	1 4 5	...	
	538,229 8 2	713,897 10 2	56,910 7 2	162,281 13 8	618,337 3 3	
	£175,668 2 -				£70,296	

INVESTMENTS.

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND £3,120 8 5 ... Metropolitan Cons

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 19th April to 8th May, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.										£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Fees—															
<i>Re</i> Construction of buildings (Building Act) ...										£3	5	—			
, Dangerous structures „ ...										191	17	10			
„ Gas-meter testing ...										348	17	—			
„ Petroleum ...										25	10	—			
„ Explosives ...										4	1	—			
													573	10	10
Costs recovered—															
<i>Re</i> Lease ...										£302	—	—			
„ Loans... ..										51	10	—			
„ Infant Life Protection Act ...										—	2	—			
													353	12	—
Proceeds of sales of carcasses—															
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act ...										71	15	6			
Plans, &c., sold ...										24	11	6			
													1,023	9	10
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.															
Contributions from insurance companies ...										51	9	8			
Contributions from men towards rent ...										155	11	6			
Chimney-fire penalties ...										19	—	—			
Watching premises ...										400	4	—			
													626	5	2
BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.															
Justices of the Peace for Surrey—															
One-quarter's contribution towards maintenance of bridges ...										300	—	—			
Rent ...										67	16	4			
													367	16	4
HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.															
Rent ...													7	7	—
POPLAR IMPROVEMENT.															
Rent ...										2	19	2			
Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by the Board ...										—	8	9			
													3	7	11
DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.															
Rent ...													7	—	—
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.															
Rent ...										4,771	9	11			
Loans—															
Interest ...										£28,124	2	5			
Repayments ...										21,580	8	10			
													49,704	11	3
Sales—															
Deptford bridge approaches ...										£300	—	—			
Old stores ...										95	4	3			
													395	4	3
Interest on amount deposited at London and Westminster Bank, <i>re</i> Hawes										3	9	—			
Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by the Board ...										—	6	6			
													54,875	—	11
													£56,910	7	2

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £25,498 11s. 9d. be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 6th July, 1883 (No. 8), your Committee have had before them a Statement of the Salaries which will become payable to the Board's Officers on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £2,962 16s. 8d. which Statement has been approved by your Committee; and they beg to submit the same, and to recommend—

That the Board do pass an Order authorising the Treasurer to pay the several amounts on or after the 25th instant.

Your Committee have considered the application of the St. Giles' District Board, for payment of this Board's contribution towards the Improvement effected at Cross-lane, referred by the Board on the 2nd ultimo (No. 43). On the 3rd October, 1884 (No. 4), the Board agreed to contribute on the usual Certificates of their Officers one-half of the net cost, not exceeding £250, of setting back certain buildings in Cross-lane to widen that thoroughfare from 23 feet to 36 feet. Your Accountant having reported that the sum of £500 has been paid for the land acquired, and added to the public way, and your Superintending Architect having certified that the works have been satisfactorily completed, your Committee recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn £250 in favour of the St. Giles' District Board.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Hampstead, requesting permission to borrow, and for the advance of a sum of £1,400, to defray the cost of sewerage works, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 48). The Vestry propose to have constructed a length of 1,338 feet of 3 feet by 2 feet whole brick Sewer, with the requisite gullies, in Fortune Green-lane, at an estimated cost of £1,391 3s. 10d. The work has recently been let by tender, below the estimate, and the actual cost will not exceed £1,300, which sum your Engineer considers to be reasonable for the work, and that the Loan should be limited to that amount. In that opinion your Committee concur, and as the Plan for the Sewer was approved by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 12), your Committee recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for a Loan of a sum of £1,400 to defray the cost of sewerage works, be granted to the extent of £1,300, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, in 30 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

In accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 7th instant (No. 48), your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of Chelsea, for the further Loan of a sum of £10,000 for works at their Vestry-hall. On the 23rd October last (No. 15), the Board sanctioned the borrowing by the Vestry of the sum of £16,000 towards defraying the cost of making additions to and enlarging their Vestry-hall and Offices, and agreed to advance £6,000, leaving the Vestry to apply for the balance £10,000, when they required the money. That amount they now apply for, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction

of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Chelsea, for the further Loan of a sum of £10,000, towards defraying the cost of the erection of additional buildings at their Vestry-hall, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April within 30 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Guardians of the Poor of St. Pancras, for a Loan of a sum of £2,000, towards defraying the cost of erecting, fitting up, and furnishing additional Workhouse buildings, referred by the Board on the 19th March last (No. 42). The Local Government Board having given the requisite authority for the borrowing of the money, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of St. Pancras, for a Loan of £2,000 towards the cost of the erection, fitting up, and furnishing of additional Workhouse buildings, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within 15 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of their General Capital Account.

It will be in the recollection of the Board that, on the 23rd October last (No. 15), Loans were agreed to be advanced to the Vestries of Hampstead, St. George, Hanover-square, and Chelsea towards defraying the cost of the re-erection or enlargement of their Vestry Halls and Offices, and that in consequence of doubts entertained by your Solicitor, as to the powers of the Board because certain of the rooms and offices were not to be exclusively used for Vestry purposes, he consulted Counsel upon the subject, and subsequently, by direction of your Committee, he obtained the opinion of the late Attorney-General and Mr. Meadows White, Q.C., with the result that the Loans were directed by the Board to be advanced, but subject to a reduction of the amount, as affected the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square. Your Solicitor states, that acting in accordance with his usual custom when questions arise in connection with Loans upon which he considers it necessary to consult Counsel, he charged proportionately to the three Vestries concerned, the Fees paid on the Cases submitted for the opinion of Counsel. Exception has been taken to the charge, and your Committee having considered the matter are of opinion that there are exceptional circumstances which justify them in considering that the opinions were taken for the guidance of the Board to assist in determining whether the purposes for which the Loans were required to be advanced were legally within the powers of the Board to sanction or to advance money for, and as a precedent in future cases. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the amount paid by the Board for Counsels' Fees in respect of the Loans to the Vestries of Hampstead, St. George, Hanover-square, and Chelsea, be not claimed from those Vestries, and that any amounts paid by either of them in respect of such Fees be refunded.

Your Committee have had before them the Returns, prepared in pursuance of the Board's Loans Acts, 1869 and 1875 (32 and 33 Vic., cap. 102, Section 49, and 38 and 39 Vic., cap. 65, Section 13), with reference to Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, and other matters, and your Committee recommend—

That the Returns be approved, and that they be transmitted to the Treasury, for presentation to Parliament, in accordance with the Board's Loans Acts, 1869 and 1875.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

T. G. FARDELL,
CHA · MOSSOP,
DONALD MUNRO.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
RECEIVER-GENERAL OF INLAND REVENUE—(1306)—											
6472	Fee for analysis of samples of sewage, April, 1886	...	...	...	...	5	5	-			
SMITH, J., AND Co.—(1073 and 1074)—											
6473	Stationery, &c., September to December, 1885—										
	Gas-meter testing	...	...	...	...	£40	2	-			
	Gas-testing	...	...	...	...	11	17	11			
									51	19	11
STEEL AND JONES—(1225)—											
6474	Newspapers, April, 1886, to March, 1887 (Infant life protection Act)	...	...	...	...				7	17	6
CONNELL, W., AND Co.—(1277)—											
6475	Washing office-towels, dusters, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886	...				12	9	3			
ROBEY AND Co.—(1241)—											
6476	Water-gauges and cocks, Crossness pumping-station, March, 1886...					2	13	-			
KNIGHT, B.—(1382)—											
6477	Balance of amount of contract for removing ashes and refuse from Abbey Mills pumping-station (No. 648)	...	...			66	6				
STRAWSON, J.—(1375)—											
6478	Sweeping flues of boilers, &c., at Western pumping-station, April, 1886	...	...	...	...	11	-	-			
NORRIS, S. E., AND Co.—(1240)—											
6479	Leather valves, &c., for pumping-stations, quarter to 31st March, 1886					79	2	4			
RUSSELL, F.—(1242)—											
6480	Medical attendance on men at Western pumping-station, one year to 24th March, 1886	...	...	...	...	19	-	-			
JOHNSON, S. H., AND Co., LIMITED—(1303)—											
6481	Sludge-press, &c., for sewerage experiments at Crossness, March, 1885	...	...	...	...	£564	-	-			
	Less amount paid in respect of hire, April, 1885	...				200	-	-			
									364	-	-
NEW RIVER Co.—(1312)—											
6482	Hydrants fixed in Shoreditch parish, September, 1885, to January 1886	...	...	...	...	3,179	15	9			
BRAMWELL, SIR F.—(1366)—											
6483	Professional charges <i>re</i> Bills in Parliament, Session, 1885	...				210	12	10			
BRASS, W., AND SON—(1314)—											
6484	Shoring, hoarding, &c., dangerous structures	...	...	...	...	50	10	8			
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(1313)—											
Fees, <i>re</i> dangerous structures—											
6485	Carritt, E.	...	...	...	...	£8	17	6			
6486	Conder, A.	...	...	...	...	8	16	3			
6487	Elkington, G.	...	...	...	...	2	7	6			
6488	Fletcher, B.	...	...	...	...	8	15	-			
6489	Fowler, C.	...	...	...	...	4	12	6			
6490	Grose, V. J.	...	...	...	...	4	7	6			
6491	Hayward, C. F.	...	...	...	...	2					
6492	Hewitt, E. R.	...	...	...	...	2	10	-			
6493	Jarvis, H.	...	...	...	...	2	5				
6494	Lansdown, G.	...	...	...	...	6	-	-			
6495	Legg, H. S.	...	...	...	...	9	7	6			
6496	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	...	2	17	6			
6497	Markham, S. S.	...	...	...	...	7	7	6			
6498	Notley, R. P.	...	...	...	...	2	-	-			
6499	Oliver, H.	...	...	...	...	2	15	-			
6500	Payne, A.	...	...	...	...	5	2	6			
6501	Porter, F. W.	...	...	...	...	3	2	6			
6502	Turner, J. G.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
Carried forward						£85	6	3	4,060	12	11

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...						4,060	12	11	...		
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(<i>continued</i>) ...						£85	6	3			
6503	Walker, R.	...	...	...	...	2	—	—			
6504	Wallen, F.	...	...	...	...	2	5	—			
6505	Williams, T.	...	...	...	...	2	5	—			
6506	Woodthorpe, E.	...	...	...	...	18	5	—			
6507	Woodward, J. A. J.	...	...	...	...	2	7	6			
									112	8	9
CARTER, A.—(1235)—											
6508	Writing-desks, &c., for board-room, March, 1886 ...	...	...	...	...	5	4	6			
NEGRETTI AND ZAMBRA—(1369)—											
6509	Thermometer for board-room, February, 1886 ...	...	...	...	...	2	2	—			
HALLING, PEARCE AND STONE—(1232)—											
6510	Carpets, furniture, &c., for office, December, 1885, to February, 1886					33	8	5			
SOPER, J.—(1310)—											
6511	Blinds for offices, October, 1885	...	...	...	...	8	3	4			
MOWLEM, J., AND Co.—(1296)—											
6512	Sand, stone and sawdust for office use, January to March, 1886 ...					2	1	7			
WALKER, MARTINEAU AND Co.—(1320)—											
6513	Costs of application for transfer of consols, <i>re</i> Queen Charlotte's Hospital (<i>Stingo Lane Improvement</i>)	...	...	...	...	11	17	—			
TATLOCK, J.—(1233)—											
6514	Counsel's fees, <i>re</i> Poor-rate appeal, Finsbury-park, August, 1885 ...					4	11	6			
SMITH, L., Q.C.—(1304)—											
6515	Counsel's fees, March, 1886, <i>re</i> Nathan (Building Act case)					13	9	6			
BATLEY, W.—(1365)—											
6516	Witness's charges, <i>re</i> Building Act (neglected structure), April, 1886					2	2	—			
TENNANT, C., SONS AND Co.—(1234 and 1294)—											
6517	Manganate of soda for deodorizing—										
	2nd April, 1886	...	...	...	...	£697	17	9			
	9th „ „	...	...	...	...	661	1	5			
									1,358	19	2
KNIGHT, HILL AND Co.—(1295)—											
6518	Caustic soda-bottoms for deodorizing, April, 1886					158	16	11			
ANIMAL CHARCOAL Co., LIMITED—(1231)—											
6519	Acid-tank, erected at Barking for deodorizing purposes, March, 1886					130	—	—			
MILLER, S. E.—(1223)—											
6520	Chemicals for use at office, March, 1886 ...	...	...	...	...	2	4	1			
BRECKNELL, TURNER AND SONS—(1217)—											
6521	Sperin candles and oil for testing gas, January and March, 1886...					3	8	—			
SOUTH METROPOLITAN GAS Co.—(1238)—											
6522	Gas for premises occupied by the Board, quarter to Lady-day, 1886					71	5	3			
WEST HAM GAS Co.—(1358)—											
6523	Gas for Abbey Mills pumping-station, quarter to Lady-day, 1886 ...					133	9	9			
RETIRING allowances of late officers—(1376)—											
Month ending 25th May, 1886—											
6524	Fernley, G.	...	...	...	...	£3	15	6			
6525	Kennedy, T.	...	...	...	...	8	17	9			
6526	Welsh, R....	...	...	...	...	4	3	4			
6527	Whitworth, E.	...	...	...	...	5	—	—			
									21	16	7
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.									6,136	1	3
JUDD AND Co.—(1084)—											
2695	Printing daily reports of fires, quarter to 31st March, 1886					86	12	6			
MERRYWEATHER AND SONS—(1293)—											
2696	Repairs to engines, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...	28	5	11			
Carried forward ...						£114	18	5	6,136	1	3

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ...	...	114	18	5	6,136	1	3
PONTIFEX AND WOOD—(1283)—								
2697	Gun-metal nozzles and repairs, January to March, 1886	...	11	15	7			
ELLIOTT, J. J., AND Co.—(1291)—								
2698	Cleaning and repairing clocks, quarter to Lady-day, 1886	...	4	14	6			
WINGFIELD, S., AND SONS—(1281)—								
2699	Harness and repairs, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	19	4	6			
COMPTON, J., AND SONS—(1278)—								
2700	Firemen's clothing, January and March, 1886	...	37	4	6			
MOORE, A.—(1284)—								
2701	Lamp and station-tablets, February, 1886	...	86	11	5			
REPAIRS TO STATIONS—								
2702	Smith Brothers—(1274)—							
	March and April, 1886	...	38	5	4			
2703	Marshall and Hatch—(1280)—							
	February and March, 1886	...	6	16	6			
2704	Underhay, F. G.—(1282)—							
	January to April, 1886	...	4	8	-			
2705	Mills, J. and H.—(1286)—							
	September and November, 1885	...	20	14	2			
2706	Toms, E.—(1287)—							
	October to December, 1885...	...	17	8	7			
2707	Stimpson and Co.—(1288)—							
	November and December, 1885	...	2	17	6			
2708	Greenwood, J. and J.—(1289)—							
	January, 1886	...	12	4	6			
GLOVER, T., AND Co.—(1276)—								
2709	Gas-meters for stations and repairs, January and April, 1886	...	10	4	8			
GAS AND WATER for sundry stations—(1359)—								
2710	Commercial Gas Co.	...	£88	12	8			
2711	Crystal Palace Gas Co.	...	6	6	7			
2712	South Metropolitan Gas Co.	...	313	6	4			
2713	Grand Junction Waterworks Co.	...	4	11	7			
2714	West Middlesex Waterworks Co.	...	3	-	-			
						415	17	2
GATEHOUSE, R. H.—(1377)—								
2715	Pension, month ending 25th May, 1886	...	16	10	-			
								819 15 4

BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.

OFFICERS of Bridge Companies—(1378)—								
Pension for half-year to 24th May, 1886—								
116	Nettlefold, T.	...	17	9	2			
117	Micklefield, W.	...	10	-	9			
118	Irwin, J.	...	9	6	10			
119	Sims, B. C.	...	15	9	8			
120	Curtis, L. S.	...	10	7	4			
121	Browning, J. J.	...	10	7	4			
122	Barnes, C.	...	8	3	-			
123	Wilds, Captain E., R.N.	...	64	18	8			
124	Cracknell, W.	...	23	12	9			
125	Cracknell, J.	...	22	2	8			
126	Polley, D.	...	17	8	1			
								209 6 3

GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

HORNE AND BIRKETT—(1279)—								
6528	Charges for assistance given to the Board in arbitration, <i>re</i> Hackney Commons	...	26	3	10			
	Carried forward	...				£7,191	6	8

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,191	6	8
FIRE BRIGADE CAPITAL ACCOUNT.											
STIMPSON AND Co.—(1275)—											
2716	Further on account of contract for erection of station at Bishopsgate-street-without (No. 711)	...	...	...	...				670	8	2
BRIDGES (ACT OF 1877).											
STANDIDGE AND Co.—(1162)—											
3	Lithographing plans, &c., October and November, 1885, Albert Bridge alteration	...	...	...	...				163	19	-
BRIDGES (ACT OF 1883).											
DIXON, APPLEBY AND THORNE—(1381)—											
14	Further on account of contract for alterations to Hammersmith bridge (No. 716)...	...	...	...	...				4,050	-	-
STREETS (ACT OF 1877).											
H.M. POSTMASTER-GENERAL—(1290)—											
8791	Cost of diverting telegraph wires, &c., necessitated by construction of new street from Piccadilly to Bloomsbury, September, 1885								74	17	-
STREETS (ACT OF 1883).											
PROCKTER AND FRASER—(1299)—											
1009	Surveyors' fees, sundry cases, January to July, 1885	...	...	...	...	111	6	-			
CRIPPS, C. A.—(1307)—											
1010	Counsel's fees (Upper-street, Islington), March, 1886	...	...	...	...	43	7	-			
INCE, H. B., Q.C.—(1308)—											
1011	Counsel's fees, November, 1885, and March, 1886—										
	South Lambeth	...	...	...	...	£17	16	-			
	Tower Hill	...	...	...	...	21	9	-			
									39	5	-
									193	18	-
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.											
RETURN OF AMOUNTS in respect of deposits made with the Board on execution of tenancy agreements—											
1586 Fentum, M.—(1309)—											
	No. 8, Hemming's-row	...	...	...	...	24	16	2			
1587 Foster, A.—(1318)—											
	The "Fountain and Grapes" Public-house, Blackman-street, Southwark	...	...	...	...	10	-	-			
1588 Atkinson, B. F.—(1317)—											
	No. 3, Hemming's-row (including income-tax)	...	...	...	...	7	11	8			
NICHOLSON, SIR R.—(1285)—											
1589	Fees of Clerk of the Peace with reference to applications for licenses re "The Crown" and the "Three Horse Shoes" Public-houses (Piccadilly to Bloomsbury)	...	...	...	...	2	2	-			
GRAND JUNCTION WATER WORKS Co.—(1239)—											
1590	Water for premises occupied by tenants of the Board	...	...	...	...	3	17	9	48	7	7
SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.											
COHEN, S., AND Co.—(1380, 1311, and 1387)—											
1949	Waterproof clothing, &c., January to March, 1886—										
	General Working Account	...	...	...	...	1	18	6			
	Bridges (Act of 1881)	...	...	...	...	£2	3	2			
	Bridges (Act of 1883)	...	...	...	...	1	17	2			
									4	-	4
	General Working Account	...	...	...	...	£36	13	3			
	Main Drainage and Main Sewers	...	...	...	...	-	14	10			
	Thames Floods Prevention	...	...	...	...	3	15	-			
									41	3	1
									47	1	11
	Carried forward	...	...	...	...				£12,439	18	4

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12,439	18	4
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(1364 and 1370)—											
1950	Coals, February and March, 1886—										
	<i>General Working Account—</i>										
	Offices, Spring-gardens	...	...	...	...	£71	14	-			
	Pumping-stations	...	...	...	...	1,927	18	6			
									1,999	12	6
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account—</i>										
	Stations and floats	...	...	...	...	209	2	6			
									2,208	15	-
DAVIES, T. W.—(1220 and 1367)—											
1951	Cartage of gas-meters for repairs and testing, &c., February to December, 1885—										
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	4	8	3			
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	1	8	6			
									5	16	9
BRASS, W., AND SON—(1362)—											
1952	Hoarding and shoring premises taken by the Board for improvements, July to December, 1885—										
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	27	6	3			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	276	11	1			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	7	11	2			
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	81	10	3			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	979	7	10			
									1,372	6	7
	Less Credit— <i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	12	14	8			
									1,359	11	11
MILES, M.—(1300)—											
1953	Surveyor's charges, 1885—										
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	46	18	-			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	72	10	-			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	31	10	-			
									150	18	-
RIDER, T. F.—(1301)—											
1954	Surveyor's fees, August to November, 1885—										
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	2	2	-			
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	102	18	-			
									105		-
CHADWICK, S.—(1297)—											
1955	Surveyor's charges, September, 1885, to January, 1886—										
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	42	17	-			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	40	19	-			
									83	16	-
BESLEY, E. T. E.—(1237)—											
1956	Counsel's fees, February and March, 1886—										
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	...	17	-	6			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	...	9	6	-			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	30	10	-			
									56	16	6
POWNALL, F.—(1305)—											
1957	Counsel's fees, January to March, 1886—										
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	6	13	6			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	7	17	-			
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	...	7	19	6			
									22	10	-
METHOLD, T. T.—(1384)—											
1958	Counsel's fees, January to March, 1886—										
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	...	1	3	6			
	<i>Northumberland Avenue</i>	...	...	...	...	6	18	6			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	...	22	12	6			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	...	28	15	-			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	...	15	3	-			
									74	12	6
	Carried forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£16,507	15	-

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...						...	...	...	16,507	15	-
AVORY, H.—(1236)—											
1959 Counsel's fees, January and March, 1886—											
General Working Account ...						5	17	6			
Consolidated Loans Fund ...						3	8	-			
									9	5	6
TILLING, T.—(1368)—											
1960 Hire of conveyances for Committees on view, November and December, 1885—											
General Working Account ...						9	6	-			
General Capital Account ...						1	15	-			
									11	1	-
RUSSELL, W.—(1316)—											
1961 Commission on weekly rents collected, April, 1886—											
Bridges (Maintenance) Account ...						1	10	1			
Hampstead Improvements ...						-	15	-			
Dwelling House Improvement Fund ...						-	10	1			
Consolidated Loans Fund ...						7	9	-			
									10	4	2
GAS AND WATER for premises occupied by the Board—(1363 and 1360)—											
1962 Gas Light and Coke Co. ...						92	15	9			
1963 Brentford Gas Co. ...						£51	2	-			
1964 Gas Light and Coke Co. ...						1,271	17	1			
1965 Wandsworth and Putney Gas Co. ...						33	2	10			
1966 Chelsea Waterworks Co. ...						77	7	-			
1967 East London Waterworks Co. ...						35	4	1			
1968 Kent Waterworks Co. ...						29	10	5			
1969 Lambeth Waterworks Co. ...						4	14	-			
1970 Southwark and Vauxhall Water Co. ...						54	7	-			
						1,557	4	5			
									1,650	-	2
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(1389 and 1390)—											
Repayment of advances—											
1971 Weekly wages—Three weeks to 5th May, 1886—											
General Working Account ...						£2,424	4	7			
Fire Brigade Working Account ...						10	18	-			
Bridges (Maintenance) Account ...						21	15	6			
Fire Brigade Capital Account ...						27	9	-			
Main Drainage and Main Sewers ...						131	17	-			
Parks and Open Spaces ...						29	18	-			
Streets (Act of 1877) ...						23	3	10			
Streets (Act of 1883) ...						22	4	-			
Streets (Act of 1884) ...						10	4	-			
Hampstead Improvements ...						3	12	-			
Thames Floods Prevention ...						63	2	11			
Bridges (Act of 1877) ...						4	14	6			
Bridges (Act of 1881) ...						97	17	6			
Bridges (Act of 1883) ...						35	14	-			
Dwelling House Improvement Fund ...						30	17	-			
Consolidated Loans Fund ...						75	12	-			
						3,013	3	10			
Firemen's wages—Three weeks to 8th May, 1886—											
Fire Brigade Working Account ...						2,988	3	-			
Weekly pensions, to 1st May, 1886—											
Fire Brigade Working Account ...						108	17	8			
									6,110	4	6
1972 Petty disbursements, 12th April to 1st May, 1886—											
a General Working Account ..						£120	14	3			
b Fire Brigade Working Account ...						£7	14	11			
Fire Brigade Capital Account ...						-	6	8			
						8	1	7			
Carried forward ...						£128	15	10			
									24,298	10	4

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ...	...	...			...			24,298	10	4
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)	...	...	128	15	10						
c	Main Drainage and Main Sewers	...	...	17	6						
d	Bridges (Maintenance) Account	...	...	19	2						
e	Thames Floods Prevention	...	...	2	11	1					
f	Consolidated Loans Fund	...	...	1	4	8					
						134	8	3			
Streets (Act of 1877)—											
g	Costs of copy of lease, re Dray (Charing-cross) ...			14	-						
Dwelling House Improvement Fund—											
h	Proportion of ground-rent of No. 62, Brook-street, Limehouse, to Michaelmas, 1885 (less tax) ...	...	...	1	9	-					
i	Proportion of rent of premises in Green-bank (Tench-street scheme), to August, 1885 (less tax) ...	...	...	1	13	7					
j	Proportion of rent of Nos. 71 and 72, New-street (Hughes'-fields scheme), to 15th April, 1886 (less tax) ...	...	...	1	19	-					
Consolidated Loans Fund—											
k	Insurance of the "Monmouth Head" public-house, Hemming's-row (Charing-cross), to Lady-day, 1887 ...	...	...	3	2	6					
Compensation to tenants on removal—											
l	Bridges (Act of 1881) ...	£10	-	-							
	Streets (Act of 1877) ...	43	-	-							
	Streets (Act of 1883) ...	7	-	-							
	Hampstead Improvements ...	12	-	-							
	Dwelling House Improvement Fund ...	9	-	-							
						81	-	-			
Postages, 12th April, to 1st May, 1886—											
m	General Working Account ...	£39	-	-							
	Fire Brigade Working Account ...	5	-	-							
						44	-	-			
									268	6	4
Guarantee premium and stamp (Mr. P. Welch)—One year to 24th April, 1887—											
n	General Working Account ...	...	...	£6	7	6					
Rent of lodgings for firemen, April, 1886—											
o	Fire Brigade Working Account ...	...	...	125	18	-					
Water for sundry stations—											
p	Fire Brigade Working Account ...	...	...	17	13	-					
									149	18	6
									418	4	10
Amounts to be paid through the account—											
Bills for sums under £2—											
q	General Working Account—										
	Cox, W.—Glassware for office use ...	...	...	£1	5	6					
	Wadham, A.—One years' subscription to "Machinery Market" ...	...	...	-	5	-					
	Willing and Co. — Badges for drivers of animals... ..	...	...	-	12	6					
	Great Eastern Railway Co.—Rent of arch, Hackney Downs	...	...	1	15	4					
	New River Co.—Rent of river bank, Finsbury-park ...	...	...	-	7	6					
	Smith, J. — Platform for gas holder, Spitalfields-testing-house ...	...	...	1	-	-					
	Carried forward ...	£5	5	10		...			418	4	10
									24,298	10	4

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...				24,298	10	4
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)	£5	5	10	...	...	418	4	10			
District Surveyors—Fees <i>re</i> Dangerous structures	...	...	5	12	6	10	18	4			
<i>r</i> Fire Brigade Working Account—											
Davis Brothers — Repairs at Whitechapel station	...	...	...	...	...	1	7	5			
<i>s</i> Streets (Act of 1877)—											
Solomon, J. I.—Copy of lease of premises in Castle-street	...	...	...	...	...	-	14	-			
						12	19	9			
Rates and taxes for premises occupied or taken by the Board—											
<i>t</i> General Working Account	...	...	...	...	...	357	10	6			
<i>u</i> Fire Brigade Working Account	...	...	...	...	...	411	6	4			
						781	16	7			
									1,200	1	5
									£25,498	11	9

Examined,
(signed) T. G. FARDELL,
W. URQUHART,
DONALD MUNRO,
WILLIAM B. GARRETT,
E. DRESSER ROGERS,
CHAS. MOSSOP.

Certified,
(signed) A. GUNN,
Accountant.

The Statement of Officers' Salaries and the Returns, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £25,498 11s. 9d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Fees specified in the Three summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to C inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Carritt, F.	9	8 17 6	...	...	8 17 6
2	Conder, A.	9	8 16 3	...	...	8 16 3
3	Elkington, G.	2	2 7 6	...	...	2 7 6
4	Fletcher, B.	10	8 15 -	...	...	8 15 -
5	Fowler, C.	5	4 12 6	...	...	4 12 6
6	Grose, V. J.	3	4 7 6	...	...	4 7 6
7	Hayward, C. F.	2	2 - -	...	...	2 - -
	Carried forward	40	39 16 3	...	...	39 16 3

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	40	39 16 3			39 16 3
8	Hewitt, E. R.	2	2 10 -	...	...	2 10 -
9	Jarvis, H.	2	2 5 -	...	...	2 5 -
10	Knightley, T. E.	1	- 15 -	...	...	- 15 -
11	Lansdown, G.	4	6 - -	...	...	6 - -
12	Legg, H. S.	9	9 7 6	...	...	9 7 6
13	McDonell, G.	3	2 17 6	...	...	2 17 6
14	Markham, S. S.	6	7 7 6	...	...	7 7 6
15	Marsland, E.	1	1 2 6	...	...	1 2 6
16	Moseley, A.	1	- 17 6	1	- 7 6	1 5 -
17	Notley, R. P.	2	1 5 -	2	- 15 -	2 - -
18	Oliver, H.	3	2 15 -	...	...	2 15 -
19	Payne, A.	6	5 2 6	...	...	5 2 6
20	Porter, F. W.	3	3 2 6	...	...	3 2 6
21	Turner, J. G.	2	2 2 6	...	...	2 2 6
22	Walker, R.	1	2 - -	...	...	2 - -
23	Wallen, F.	1	2 5 -	...	...	2 5 -
24	Watson, T. H.	1	- 15 -	...	...	- 15 -
25	Williams, A.	2	1 15 -	...	...	1 15 -
26	Williams, T.	1	1 10 -	2	- 15 -	2 5 -
27	Woodthorpe, E.	22	18 5 -	...	...	18 5 -
28	Woodward, J. A. J.	3	2 7 6	...	...	2 7 6
		116	116 3 9	5	1 17 6	118 1 3

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the under-mentioned expenses, incident to shoring and boarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
33,368	66, Wardour-street, Soho	- 5 2
34,444	2, Western-passage, St. George-in-the-East	3 17 5
34,540	13, Duke-street, Old Artillery-ground	38 12 -
34,700	27, Manor-road, Woolwich	- 11 1
34,701	29, Do. do.	- 12 1
34,702	31, Do. do.	- 12 3
34,705	37, Do. do.	- 18 9
34,707	41, Do. do.	- 12 9
34,658	44, Great College-street, St. Pancras	2 15 7
35,219	— High-street, Vauxhall	- 12 7
35,035 to 40	Couldery's-cottages, Ladywell	1 1 -
		£50 10 8

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Statement now submitted, showing the Salaries payable to the Officers of the Board on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £2,962 16s. 8d., be approved, and that the Treasurer of the Board, the London and Westminster Bank (Limited), be authorised to pay the several sums specified in such Statement, to the persons entitled to receive the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £250 in favour of the St. Giles District Board, being the amount of this Board's promised contribution towards the Improvement effected at Cross-lane.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for the Loan of a sum of £1,400 to defray the

cost of sewerage works, be granted to the extent of £1,300, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Thirty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent, under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Chelsea, for the further Loan of a sum of £10,000, towards defraying the cost of the erection of additional buildings at the Vestry-hall, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Thirty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of St. Pancras, for a Loan of a sum of £2,000 towards the cost of the erection, fitting up, and furnishing of additional Workhouse buildings, be complied with, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Fifteen years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the expenditure incurred by the Board for Counsels' Fees in connection with the Loans to the Vestries of Hampstead, St. George, Hanover-square, and Chelsea be not charged to those Vestries, and that any amount which may have been paid by either of them in respect of such Fees be refunded.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Return, now submitted, prepared in pursuance of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869 (32 & 33 Vict. c. 102, s. 49), showing up to 31st December, 1885,

1. The amount of Consolidated Stock;
2. The application of the Money raised by such Stock;
3. The sums carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund;
4. The application of the Consolidated Loans Fund; and
5. An Estimate of the Expenditure of the Board for all purposes, for the year ending 31st December, 1886,

And the Return, prepared in pursuance of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1875 (38 & 39 Vict. c. 65, s. 13), showing, up to 31st December, 1885,

1. All moneys raised by the Board since the passing of the Act, for the purposes mentioned in the Act;
2. Particulars in relation* to every Parish, District, Union or Place, in respect whereof a Loan has been obtained from the Board since the passing of the Act.

be approved, and that the said Returns be transmitted to the Treasury, for presentation to Parliament, in accordance with the Board's Loans Acts, 1869 and 1875.

13. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 10th May, 1886.

Your Committee beg to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Freehold and Leasehold Investment Company, Limited</i>									
(Battersea)—(1321)—									
The Freehold and Leasehold Investment Company, Limited—									
56	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 40, Bridge-road	...	...	...	...	650	-	-	
Peck, H. W.—									
57	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	...	...	...	15	15	-	
							665	15	-
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers.</i>									
<i>Re Merchant Shipping Company (Poplar)—(1322)—</i>									
Saxton and Son—									
1276	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	...	...		11	1	2
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>									
<i>Re Watson (Southwark-bridge-road)—(1302)—</i>									
Watson, A. C., or Bearer—									
8775	Compensation in respect of personal injuries sustained owing to the falling of hoarding	...	...	...	£30	-	-	-	
	Costs	...	...	...	...	5	5	-	
							35	5	-
<i>Re Holland's Trustee (Piccadilly)—(1323)—</i>									
Mead and Sons—									
8776	Costs of petition for payment out of Court of Consols	...	...	...	...	37	11	3	
<i>Re Pollon's Trustee (Charing-cross)—(1324)—</i>									
Twisden and Co.—									
8777	Costs of application for payment out of Court of Consols	...	...	...	...	9	11	5	
<i>Re Simons and De la Fontaine (Charing-cross)—(1325)—</i>									
Gamlen, Burdett and Woodhouse—									
8778	Costs of application for investment in Consols, and for payment out in instalments	...	...	...	...	34	10	10	
<i>Re Hawes (Charing-cross)—(1326 and 1327)—</i>									
Freemans and Dicker—									
8779	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	...	...	34	2	5	
8780	Interest on Purchase-money, from 22nd March to 22nd April, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	...	...	6	3	2	
<i>Southgate (Charing-cross)—(1338)—</i>									
Cooke, W. C.—									
8781	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	...	...	7	17	4	
Carried forward						£373	9	5	676 16 2

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	3,056	10	5	1,376	15	11
1008	Strange, H.—							
	No. 13, Green-street	...	20	-	-	3,076	10	5

*Hampstead Improvements.**Re Hutchinson—(1366)—*

Bannister and King—

352	Proportion of rent of premises in Little Church-row, from Lady-day to 20th April, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	...	5	10	5
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Re Sir S. M. M. Wilson—(1339)—

Bell, Stewards and May—

353	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 6, 8 and 9, Bradley's-buildings	...	...	...	800	-	-
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Farebrother, Ellis and Co.—

354	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	...	16	16	-
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Re Young—(1340)—

Young, C. F.—

355	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in the "Cock and Crown" Public-house, High-street, and No. 7, Little Church-row	...	...	...	325	-	-
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Lound and Howitt—

356	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	...	10	10	-
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Compensation for loss of business and damage by removal
—(1341 and 1342)—

357	Brown, C.,—No. 1B, Church-place	...	...	...	25	-	-
358	Fowle, Mrs. Mary,—No. 1, Yorkshire-grey-yard				20	-	-

Re Walker—(1371)—

Walker, W.—

359	Purchase-money and compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 1, Little Church-row	...	...	...	150	-	-
360	Surveyor's Fee, as per Order of Committee	...	...	...	7	7	-

Re Morris—(1372)—

Morris, G. W.—

361	Purchase-money, and compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 8, Little Church-row, as per Contract	...	...	...	92	-	-
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Baines, C., and Ball—

362	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract	...	...	...	5	5	-
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Re Emerson—(1373)—

Emerson, Mrs. Ann—

363	Purchase-money, and compensation for yearly tenancy in Slaughterhouse, Holly-bush-vale-yard	...	...	...	50	-	-
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Baines, C., and Ball—

364	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	...	...	3	3	-
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Carried forward £1,510 11 5 4,453 6 4

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	1,510	11	5	4,453	6	4
<i>Re Busbridge—(1374)—</i>								
	Busbridge, J. G., or Bearer—							
365	Purchase-money, and compensation for tenancy in the “Cock and Crown” Public-house, and No. 7, Little Church-row	...	880	-	-			
Lound and Howitt—								
366	Surveyors’ Fees, as per Contract	...	24	15	-	2,415	6	5
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>								
<i>Re Tebb—(1343)—</i>								
	Tebb, Wm.—							
22	Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in Nos. 253 and 255, High-street	...	1,900	-	-			
Walker, S.—								
23	Surveyor’s Fee, as per Contract	...	24	3	-			
<i>Re Penner—(1344)—</i>								
	Seymour, E.—							
24	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	10	9	8	1,934	12	8
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Capelli (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1345)—</i>								
	Bookham, T.—							
5789	Costs of Arbitration	...	2	12	6			
<i>Re Clement’s Trustees (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1346)—</i>								
	Bristow, W.—							
5790	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	15	-	-			
<i>Re Roberts (Hughes’-fields, Deptford)—(1347)—</i>								
	Edeil, Jas.—							
5791	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	9	8	4			
<i>Re Winn (Tench-street)—(1348)—</i>								
	Turner, G.—							
5792	Costs of Title and Conveyance	..	6	15	-			
<i>Re Andrews (Hughes’-fields, Deptford)—(1349)—</i>								
	Marchant and Benwell—							
5793	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	12	3	8			
<i>Re Vaughan (Tench-street)—(1350 and 1351)—</i>								
	Vaughan, Walter Henry—							
5794	Purchase-money for Fee-simple in Nos. 16 to 24 (even numbers), Salter’s-alley	...	250	-	-			
5795	Proportion of tenant’s rent of above premises, from Lady-day, 1884, to 16th March, 1886, and interest on purchase-money from that date to the 12th May, 1886 (less Tax)	...	20	19	6			
	Carried forward	...	£316	19	-	8,803	5	5

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	316	19	-	8,803	5	5
<i>Re Bourne (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1352 and 1353)—</i>								
Purchase-money for Freehold of Nos. 18, 30 and 32, Old Woolwich-road, and premises in Union- place—								
5796	Barton, James, and Boston, Mrs.							
	Sarah	£400	-	-				
5797	Bourne, George	600	-	-				
5798	Bourne, George	980	-	-				
					1,980	-	-	
Phillips, J. and J.—								
5799	Stamp-duty on Conveyance		10	-	-			
						2,306	19	-

Consolidated Loans Fund.

<i>Re Corporation of London (Southwark-bridge-road)—</i> (1354)—								
Payne, S.—								
1582	Proportion of rents of Nos. 107 to 109, and 111 and 112, Blackman-street, from Lady-day to 3rd May, 1886		38	2	9			
<i>Re E. and E. J. Ward (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—</i> (1355)—								
Smith, F. R., and Son—								
1583	Proportion of rents of No. 19, Green-street, from 18th January to 12th March, 1886		5	7	2			
<i>Re New Westminster Brewery Co. (Green-street, Bethnal- green)—(1356)—</i>								
New Westminster Brewery Co., Limited—								
1584	One-quarter's rent of No. 39, Green-street, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)		14	10	-			
<i>Re The "Fountain and Grapes" Public-house (Southwark- bridge-road)—(1357)—</i>								
Foster, A.—								
1585	Amount ordered by the Committee to be paid for unexpired term of Licenses		22	12	7			
						80	12	6
						£11,190	16	11

Your Committee have also drawn Cheques as follows, in lieu of Cheques cancelled, in consequence of having been in hand longer than Three months—

Bridges (Act of 1881).

<i>Re Eborall (Battersea)—(1462—1885)—</i>								
58	Eborall, Jno.—Purchase-money	£700	-	-				
59	Mead and Sons—	50	-	-				
						750	-	-

Streets (Act of 1877).

<i>Re Emery (Charing-cross)—(3524—1885)—</i>								
8789	Emery, R.—Compensation					15	-	-
						£765	-	-

Your Committee submit for the information of the Board marked Catalogues and Accounts of sales of building materials of premises in High-street, Hampstead, Brook-street, &c., Limehouse, the Terrace and Church-row, Putney, and Cottage-place, South Lambeth—

By Messrs. Horne, Son and Eversfield, 20th February and 2nd March, 1886—

Proceeds of sale	...	...	...	£581	12	-
Commission (£7 10s. per cent.)	...	...	...	43	12	6

Amount received by the Board, 8th and 17th April, 1886	£537	19	6
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By Messrs. C. and H. White, 25th March, 1886—

Proceeds of sale	...	...	...	£98	-	-
Commission (£7 10s. per cent.)	...	...	...	7	7	-

Amount received by the Board, 25th March, 1886	...	...	90	13	-
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£628	12	6
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Your Committee beg to recommend—

That a Cheque for the sum of £22 10s. 10d. be drawn in favour of Mrs. Reid, in respect of repairs executed under Dangerous Structure Orders to the premises Nos. 1, 2, and 3, Birch-place, Islington, in the Essex-road Artizans' Dwellings Improvement Scheme.

Your Committee have also to recommend—

That a Cheque for the sum of £33 3s. 2d. be drawn in favour of Messrs. John C. Button and Co., Solicitors to the leaseholders of No. 12, Great Newport-street, being a moiety of an expenditure under the Orders of a Magistrate, in respect of Dangerous Structure proceedings in connection with Nos. 12 and 13, Great Newport-street.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had before them an application, on behalf of the Westminster Improvement Commissioners, for a License to build over the site of the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer, where the same is now vacant between Carlisle-place and Vauxhall-bridge-road, and the London and County Bank and the Convent buildings. Having conferred with your Engineer and your Solicitor, your Committee are of opinion that the Board may be advised to grant a License subject to certain special conditions, and your Solicitor has prepared a form of License accordingly. Your Committee recommend—

That the Seal of the Board be affixed thereto.

Your Committee have to report that they are of opinion that the time has arrived when the deodorization of the Sewage of the Metropolis for the present year should be commenced. Your Committee recommend accordingly, and that they be authorised to incur the necessary working expenses. They also recommend—

That Tenders be invited for a further supply of 3,000 tons of Manganate of Soda, and 1,000 tons of Sulphuric Acid ; it being stated in the Advertisement that the Board will accept a limited number of offers of Manganate of Soda, not exceeding 50 tons, at the price of the lowest Tender.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the desirability, with a view of testing the question whether Sewage Cake can be beneficially used for manurial purposes, of the Board incurring a reasonable expenditure towards the cost of conveying the material to farmers and others who may apply for it, and, having conferred with your Solicitor as to the Board's powers in the matter, your Committee recommend—

That they be authorised to make arrangements for a distribution of Sewage Cake to farmers and others, by way of experiment, at a cost not exceeding £200.

Your Committee have had before them the Memorial, referred by the Board on Friday last (No 3), from the Leather-lane Improvement Committee as to the condition of the entrance to Leather-lane from Holborn, and suggesting that certain houses on the East side should be set back. Your Committee having carefully considered the matter, are not prepared to advise the Board to undertake the suggested Improve-

ment, but they think that it should be suggested to the Memorialists that they should communicate with the Holborn District Board of Works on the subject. Your Committee recommend in accordance with that view.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
J. E. BRADFELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. SHEPHERD,
DONALD MUNRO,
GEORGE HILL.

The marked Catalogues and Accounts of sales of building materials of premises in High-street, Hampstead, Brook-street, &c., Limehouse, the Terrace and Church-row, Putney, and Cottage-place, South Lambeth, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for £22 10s. 10d. be now drawn in favour of Mrs. Reid, in respect of repairs executed under Dangerous Structure Orders to the premises Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Birch-place, Islington, in the Essex-road Artizans' Dwellings Improvement Scheme.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Working Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for £33 3s. 2d. be now drawn in favour of Messrs. John C. Button and Co., Solicitors to the Leaseholders of No. 12, Great Newport-street, being a moiety of an expenditure incurred under the Orders of a Magistrate, in respect of Dangerous Structure proceedings taken with respect to Nos. 12 and 13, Great Newport-street.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the Streets (Act of 1877) Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Seal of the Board be affixed to a License to the Westminster Improvement Commissioners to build over the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer near Carlisle-place, Vauxhall-bridge-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the deodorisation of the Sewage of the Metropolis for the present year be commenced forthwith, that the Committee be authorised to incur the necessary working expenses for that purpose, and that Tenders be invited, as recommended by the Committee, for a further supply of 3,000 tons of Manganate of Soda, and 1,000 tons of Sulphuric Acid.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Committee be authorised to make arrangements for a distribution of Sewage Cake to Farmers and others, by way of experiment, at a cost not exceeding £200.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Leather-lane Improvement Committee be informed, in reply to their Memorial in favour of the widening of the entrance to Leather-lane from Holborn, that the Board are not prepared to undertake the proposed Improvement, but would suggest to the Memorialists that they should communicate with the Holborn District Board of Works on the subject.

14. Mr Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 4th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications

for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.
22nd April, 1882.	Vestry of Bethnal-green, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Parish.
12th January, 1885.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-numbering the houses in— Northumberland-terrace, in continuation of Regent's-park-road. Prebend-place, Camden-town. Mortimer-market, Tottenham-court-road.
No date.	Inhabitants of Carrol-road, St. Pancras, that the Order of the Board of the 12th February last, directing that Carrol-road be incorporated with Chetwynd-road, and the houses renumbered, may be rescinded.
12th June, 1885.	Wandsworth District Board, for re-numbering the houses in Lavender-hill.
2nd October, 1885.	Mr. J. W. Barry, that a short length of street leading out of the Western side of Belsize-lane, may be named "Belsize-place, N.W."
21st October, 1885.	Lewisham District Board, for re-numbering the houses in Tudor-road, Penge.
30th November, 1885.	Mr. E. J. Blount, that Broomhouse-lane, Fulham, may be re-named Hurlingham-road. And the Fulham District Board, stating their opinion that Broomhouse-lane should be re-named Broomhouse-road, and the houses re-numbered; and Hurlingham-lane re-named Hurlingham-road, and re-numbered.
4th March, 1886.	Vestry of Camberwell, that certain houses on the Eastern side of Camberwell-grove may be re-numbered.
17th April, 1886.	Vestry of Lambeth, that certain newly erected houses on the Eastern side of Priory-grove, may have numbers assigned to them.

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That Bacon-street and Thomas-street, Bethnal-green, be incorporated under the name "Bacon-street, E.," and the houses re-numbered.

That Granby-street, Granby-terrace, and Oakley-street, Bethnal-green, be incorporated under the name "Granby-street, E.," and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Ellerdale-street, Lewisham, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Broadway, Deptford, be re-numbered, where necessary.

That Church-street and Walldridge-street, East Greenwich, be incorporated under the name "Christchurch-street, S.E.," the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Northumberland-terrace be re-numbered, in continuation of those in Regent's-park-road, and the name "Northumberland-terrace" abolished.

That the houses in Prebend-place, Camden-town, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Mortimer-market, Tottenham-court-road, be re-numbered, and the name "Little Pancras-street" abolished.

That no alteration be made in the Order of the Board of the 12th February last, directing that Carrol-road, St. Pancras, be incorporated with Chetwynd-road, and the houses re-numbered, and that the Petitioners on the subject be so informed.

That the subsidiary names in Lavender-hill, Battersea, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the name "Belsize-place, N.W.," be assigned to a short street on the Western side of Belsize-lane, Hampstead.

That the subsidiary names in Tudor-road, Penge, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That Broom-lane and Broomhouse-lane, Fulham, be re-named "Broomhouse-road, S.W.," and the houses re-numbered.

That Hurlingham-lane, Fulham, be re-named "Hurlingham-road, S.W.," the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That certain houses on the Eastern side of Camberwell-grove, South of Lettsom-street, be re-numbered with odd numbers.

That certain houses on the Eastern side, and at the Southern end, of Priory-grove, Lambeth, be re-numbered with odd numbers.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

A. EWIN,
W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
DONALD MUNRO.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Bacon-street and Thomas-street, in the Parish of St. Matthew, Bethnal-green, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,689, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 87, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 78, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the name Thomas-street, and any other name or names now in use in Bacon-street and Thomas-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Bacon-street, E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Bethnal-green, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Oakley-street, Granby-street, and Granby-terrace, in the Parish of St. Matthew, Bethnal-green, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,690, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 77, being assigned to the houses on the Western and Northern sides, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 36, to those on the Eastern and Southern sides; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Thomas-street; that the names Oakley-street, Granby-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Oakley-street, Granby-street, and Granby-terrace, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Granby-street, E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Bethnal-green, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the

provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Ellerdale-street, in the Parish of Lewisham, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,691, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 69, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side; and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 82, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Ellerdale-street, S.E. ;” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Broadway, in the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 57, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,692, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the existing irregular numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Broadway, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Church-street and Waldrige-street, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,693, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 81, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 76, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Church-street, Waldrige-street, Kent-villas, Kent-terrace, Bobey’s-cottages, Trinity-cottages, Long-stone-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Church-street and Waldrige-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Christchurch-street, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses

and premises in Northumberland-terrace, Regent's-park-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with even numbers, commencing with 174 and ending with 196, in continuation of the existing numbers in Regent's-park-road, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,694, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the name Northumberland-terrace, and the existing numbers therein, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Regent's-park-road, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Prebend-place, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,695, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 11, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 10, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole be called "Prebend-place, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Mortimer-market and Little Pancras-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 38, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,696, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the name Little Pancras-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole be called "Mortimer-market, W.C.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby, and **resolved**—That no alteration be made in the Order of the Board of the 12th February last, directing that Carrol-road, St. Pancras, be incorporated with Chetwynd-road, and the houses re-numbered, and that the Petitioners on the subject be so informed.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Lavender-hill, in the respective Parishes of Clapham and Battersea, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,697, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 325, being assigned to the houses on the

Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 194, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Cedars-row, Lavender-terrace, Marmion-terrace, Rush-hill-terrace, Stormont-terrace, Somers-villas, Ecclesbourne-terrace, Sisters-terrace, Altenburg-terrace, Garfield-terrace, Lavender-place, Wycliffe-terrace, Basnet-terrace, Seymour-terrace, Selborne-villas, Cumberland-villas, Aston-villas, Crown-terrace, Wymering-terrace, Bellevue-terrace, Glynde-terrace, Eland-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Lavender-hill, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Lavender-hill, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby, and ~~resolved~~—That the name "Belsize-place, N.W.," be assigned to a short street on the Western side of Belsize-lane, Hampstead.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

~~Resolve~~, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and ~~ordered~~, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Tudor-road, in the Hamlet of Penge, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,698, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 13, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 20, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the name Cambridge-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Tudor-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Tudor-road, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

~~Resolve~~, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and ~~ordered~~, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Broom-lane and Broom-house-lane, in the Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,699, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 37, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 50, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the names Broom-lane and Broom-house-lane, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Broomhouse-road, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, to the Vestry of Fulham, as constituted by the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1885.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises on the Northern side of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Hurlingham-lane, in the Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 134, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,700, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the names Hurlingham-lane, The Terrace, Westbury-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Hurlingham-lane, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Hurlingham-road, S. W.,” and that notice of this Order be given, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, to the Vestry of Fulham, as constituted by the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1885.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, certain houses and premises on the Eastern side of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Camberwell-grove, in the Parish of Camberwell, in the County of Surrey, be marked with odd numbers, commencing with 119 and ending with 211, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,701, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the names Wilton-terrace and Sleaford-villas, and the existing numbers South of Lettsom-street, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Camberwell-grove, S.E.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Camberwell, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 4th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, certain houses and premises on the Eastern side and at the Southern end of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Priory-grove, in the Parish of Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with odd numbers, commencing with 67 and ending with 93, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,702, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that certain of the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

15. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 11th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that proceedings have been taken against Mr. Dyzirzynski, for breaches of the Bye-laws, for regulating the business of a Tripe-boiler at No. 274, Southampton-street, Camberwell, and that he was fined £1 and 4s., costs.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application under the Infant Life Protection Act, from Mrs. M. A. Bennett, for registration for the keeping of four Infants, at No. 2, Palmer's-place, Holloway-road, Islington. Mrs. Bennett has already been granted registration for the keeping of

three Infants, for which number the arrangements are satisfactory, but, after a careful consideration of the circumstances of the case, your Committee are of opinion that the number should not be increased. They accordingly recommend—

That the application of Mrs. M. A. Bennett, for renewal of registration under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants, at No. 2, Palmer's-place, Holloway-road, Islington, be granted, and that the Board do make a Bye-law fixing three as the number of Infants allowed to be kept.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration several new applications for registration, under the same Act. The necessary Certificates of character have been submitted by the applicants, and, after carefully considering the circumstances in each case, your Committee recommend—

That the applications of the following persons for registration under the Infant Life Protection Act for the keeping of Infants at the premises named, be granted, and that the Board do make a Bye-law in each case fixing the number of Infants allowed to be kept as follows—

Mrs. Harriet Taylor, No. 17, Oliphant-street, Queen's-park Estate, Chelsea, 2 Infants

Miss Rebecca Rilat, No. 137, Upper Kennington-lane, Lambeth, 2 Infants.

Mrs. M. K. Smith, No. 2, Corsham-villas, Beversbrook-road, Upper Holloway, 3 Infants.

Mrs. Ellen Trapp, No. 1, Admiral-place, Edinburgh-road, Ladbroke-grove-road, Kensington, 3 Infants.

In one case which your Committee have had before them, the arrangements for the accommodation of the Infants do not appear to your Committee such as to justify them in recommending the granting of registration, the room in which the Infants are proposed to be kept, being low and situated underground. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the application of Mrs. L. E. Bacon, for registration under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of 2 Infants at No. 20, Gillingham-street, Pimlico, be not granted.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration applications for renewal of Petroleum Licenses, and as, in each case, the arrangements for storage continue satisfactory, your Committee recommend—

That Licenses be granted to the following persons to keep Petroleum for a period of twelve months from the 14th instant, at the places and in the quantities named, in accordance with the terms of the draft Licenses submitted—

Messrs. Wilkie and Soames, Thames Soap works, East Greenwich, 8,000 gallons.

Mr. E. Manwaring, No. 6, Edward street, Peckham, 200 gallons.

South London Oil and Colour Co., Black-horse-road, Deptford, 400 gallons.

Mr. J. W. Chisholm, Crown Dye works, Lower Kennington-lane, 200 gallons.

Your Committee also submit a list of 82 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and they recommend—

That in 60 cases Licenses be granted to keep a quantity not exceeding 10 gallons of Petroleum in each case at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91; that in 5 cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named, in a store situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90, and that in 17 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum at the places named, in the manner described in such Licenses.

Your Committee have further to report that proceedings have been taken against Mr. B. J. Maycock, of No. 49, Enfield-road, North, Hackney, for infringements of the conditions of his Petroleum License, and that he was fined £5 and 2s., costs.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

ALFRED POCOCK,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
FREDK. INGOLDBY,
W. J. WETENHALL.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the registration of Mrs. M. A. Bennett, under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 2, Palmer's-place, Holloway-road, Islington, be renewed, and that the Board do hereby make a Bye-law fixing three as the number of Infants allowed to be kept at such premises.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the applications of the following persons for registration under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants be granted, and that the Board do hereby make a Bye-law fixing the number of Infants allowed to be kept, as follows—

Mrs. Harriet Taylor, No. 17, Oliphant-street, Queen's-park Estate, Chelsea, Two Infants.

Miss Rebecca Rilat, No. 137, Upper Kennington-lane, Lambeth, Two Infants.

Mrs. M. K. Smith, No. 2, Corsham-villas, Beversbrook-road, Upper Holloway, Three Infants.

Mrs. Ellen Trapp, No. 1, Admiral-place, Edinburgh-road, Ladbroke-grove-road, Kensington, Three Infants.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mrs. L. E. Bacon, for registration under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of two Infants, at No. 20, Gillingham-street, Pimlico, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the following persons to keep Petroleum for a period of Twelve months from this date, at the places and in the quantities named, in accordance with the terms of the draft Licenses now submitted—

Messrs. Wilkie and Soames, Thames Soap Works, East Greenwich, 8,000 gallons.

Mr. E. Manwaring, No. 6, Edward-street, Peckham, 200 gallons.

South London Oil and Colour Co., Black-horse-road, Deptford, 400 gallons.

Mr. J. W. Chisholm, Crown Dye Works, Lower Kennington-lane, 200 gallons.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the Eighty-two persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

16. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, Executive Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1878, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 11th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that proceedings have been taken against the following persons—

Henry Burgess, who was fined £10 and 4s. costs, or 14 days' imprisonment, for neglecting to give notice of an outbreak of Glanders, and for causing the diseased animal to be led along a highway.

Joseph Thornton, who was fined £20 and 4s. costs, or 3 months' imprisonment, for causing a glandered horse to be led along a highway.

Your Committee have further to report that they have examined the Accounts of the Cattle Inspectors for the quarter ended 31st March, amounting to £310 17s., and have passed the same for payment.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
FRED^K. INGOLDBY.
W. J. WETENHALL.

The Report having been read,

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th May, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage work proposed to be executed by the Vestry of Camberwell—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARK.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
St. Aidan's-road, Peckham-rye	850	12-inch	pipe	Recommended as applied for.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Vestry of Camberwell be permitted to construct and execute the work in the manner therein recommended.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th May, 1886, on an application from the Holborn District Board, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfares for the period and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1886. 11th May	Great Ormond - street and Powis-place ...	Re-paving	5 weeks	5 weeks	Guilford, &c., Streets.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the Holborn District Board, for the purpose of executing paving work therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th May, 1886, stating that the Agreement entered into by (the late) Mrs. Billington for the tenancy of the Board's grazing lands at Millmeads, Abbey Mills, at a rental of £110 per annum, would expire on the 24th June next, and recommending that Advertisements should be issued inviting Tenders for the tenancy of the lands for the year ending 24th June, 1887, and that the Tenders should be opened at the Meeting of the Board on the 4th June.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that Advertisements be issued accordingly.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th May, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. W. Jacomb, on behalf of the London and South-Western Railway Company, submitting for approval a Plan for a modification of the Bridge to carry the Company's widened line over York-street, Waterloo-road; stating the facts, and recommending that the Company should be informed that the Board have no objection to the execution of the work, provided it be done to his (the Engineer's) satisfaction.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th May, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal were required for use at the undermentioned Pumping Stations—

<i>Abbey Mills Station.</i>						ESTIMATE.
1,000 tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	...	£816 13 4
1,000 „ Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	...	654 3 4
<i>Deptford Station.</i>						
300 tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	...	271 5 -
300 „ Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	...	196 5 -
						£1,938 6 8

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

22. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th May, 1886, recommending the execution of the following work under the General Contract—

<i>Isle of Dogs.</i>						ESTIMATE.
Sinking trial shaft for the purpose of ascertaining the nature of the strata under the site of the Board's intended Pumping Station						
...	...	...	...	...	...	£80 0 0

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be approved, and that the work be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

23. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th May, 1886, stating that a set, complete, of Dr. Boehm's apparatus for making cement briquettes was required (for cement testing purposes) upon the Board's works, and recommending that a set should be supplied by Mr. P. Adie, at a cost of £21.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the apparatus be supplied accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

24. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill was appointed for consideration by the Select Committee on Tuesday last, but by Monday afternoon the Board had succeeded in arranging for the withdrawal of all the Petitions against the Bill, and that it would therefore go before the Chairman of Ways and Means as an unopposed Bill, and that it was appointed for the unopposed Committee on Wednesday next.
25. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill had been appointed for this evening; and that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill had been appointed for the 21st instant.
26. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Theatres, &c., (Metropolis) Bill, introduced by Mr. Dixon-Hartland, had been appointed for the 19th instant.
27. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill (introduced by Mr. Kimber and Mr. Vanderbyl) had been appointed for this evening.
28. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Fires Prevention Metropolis Bill (introduced by Mr. Spensley), had been adjourned until Wednesday next the 19th instant.
29. The Solicitor reported that the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill was awaiting second reading in the House of Lords; and that the Board's Petition against the Bill had been sealed by the Chairman since Friday last, and subsequently presented, and he laid before the Board a printed copy of the Petition.

30. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee of the House of Lords appointed to consider the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 1) Bill (Lord Rayleigh); the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 2) Bill (Lord Ashford); and the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 3) Bill (Lord Houghton), had met on Monday and Wednesday last; that several witnesses had been examined, and that the Committee would meet again on the 17th instant.
31. The Solicitor reported that the Promoters of the Lee River Purification Bill having agreed with the Petitioners against the Bill as to amendments, the Bill had been withdrawn from the Select Committee to which it had been referred, and that it would in due course go before the Chairman of Ways and Means as an unopposed Bill, and that some verbal amendments were being introduced by the agents.
32. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee on the River Lee would resume their sittings this day.
33. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

34. The Solicitor reported that notices had been given in the House of Commons to ask the Chairman of the Board the undermentioned questions—

“ Mr. Henry Green—Whether it is a fact that, during the past fifteen years, there have been frequent overflows of sewage matter into many of the houses on the Isle of Dogs :

“ And, whether, notwithstanding the oft-repeated complaints made by the sufferers through the local Poplar Board of Works, as well as to the Metropolitan Board of Works, nothing has yet been done to effectually abate this dangerous nuisance.”

“ Sir H. Roscoe—Whether it is a fact that the Metropolitan Low Level Sewer running down the Victoria Embankment possesses no ventilating shaft from the point at which the drainage of the Palace of Westminster passes into the Low Level Sewer to a second point nearly 800 yards distant at York Gates :

“ Whether all competent authorities have laid down that every main Sewer should have one ventilating shaft at least for every 100 yards of its length :

“ And whether, in this case, he will take steps to have the said Sewer properly ventilated, and thus to remove much of the danger to the air of the House of Commons by reason of the passage of sewer gas from the Low Level Sewer of the Metropolitan system into the main drain of the Palace.”

35. The Solicitor reported that Mr. H. H. Fowler, M.P., had given notice to introduce a Bill for the transfer to this Board, and the maintenance of certain Public Parks and works in the Metropolis.
36. The Solicitor reported that the compulsory purchase of Land Compensation Bill had been read a second time in the House of Commons on Wednesday last, the majority for the second reading being 100, and he presented an extract from the *Times* newspaper of the debate.
37. The Solicitor reported that the arrangement with respect to the undermentioned Loan had been completed, and that the Cheque had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper security—

				AMOUNT OF LOAN.
Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square	...	...	...	£10,000

38. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £7,000 to the Guardians for Lambeth, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount, in order to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £7,000 be now drawn in favour of the Guardians for Lambeth; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

39. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £6,300 to the Poplar Baths and Wash-houses Commissioners, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount, in order to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £6,300 be now drawn in favour of the Poplar Baths and Wash-houses Commissioners; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

40. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £5,000 to the Guardians of Mile-end Old-town, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount in order to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £5,000 be now drawn in favour of the Guardians of Mile-end Old-town; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

41. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the re-payment of the several portions of the Loan of £13,800 to the Guardians for St. George-in-the-East, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount, in order to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £13,800 be now drawn in favour of the Guardians for St. George-in-the-East; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

42. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £1,500 to the Guardians for Hampstead, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount, in order to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £1,500 be now drawn in favour of the Guardians for Hampstead; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

43. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the re-payment of the several portions of the Loan of £10,000 to the Hackney District Board, and he suggested that this Board should pass Orders authorising the District Board to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, and a Cheque for £12 10s. for Stamp-duty.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved* and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Hackney District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board under the first-mentioned Act within the said District, of a sum of Eight thousand four hundred pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense, or part of the expense incurred, or to be incurred by the said District Board in the re-construction of Temple Mills Bridge, in executing certain granite paving, channelling and kerbing works, in parts of Albion-road, Stoke Newington, West-street (Hackney) Broadway (London-fields), Seven

Sisters-road, Stoke Newington, and Green-lanes, Stoke Newington, and in executing certain Street Improvements in Church-street, Stoke Newington, Clapton-road, Urswick-road, and Brooksby's-walk, and in planting and laying out as open spaces in the District, West Hackney Churchyard, Shacklewel-green and Well-street Graveyard, Stonebridge-common, The Triangle (Mare-street), The Triangle (Kenton-road), and Shacklewel Triangle. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Eight thousand four hundred pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purposes aforesaid. Therefore, it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Eight thousand four hundred pounds for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by equal annual instalments within a period of Fifteen years.

Whereas the Board of Works for the Hackney District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board under the first-mentioned Act within the said District, of a sum of One thousand six hundred pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said District Board in executing certain wood paving works in Church-street, Stoke Newington, from the West side of Lancett-street, and in Clarence-road, Lower Clapton, from Dalston-lane, to the South side of Goulston-road. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of One thousand six hundred pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of One thousand six hundred pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Orders.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £10,000 be now drawn in favour of the Hackney District Board, and a Cheque for £12 10s. for the Stamp-duty on the Mortgage-deeds; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital and General Working Accounts accordingly.

44. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £5,800 to the Vestry of St. Pancras, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first-mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of Five thousand eight hundred pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said Vestry

in executing Street Improvements in the Parish, by widening or otherwise improving parts of Princess-terrace, Mabledon-place, Angler's-lane, Woodsome-road and Kentish-town-road. And whereas the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Five thousand eight hundred pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Five thousand eight hundred pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be, within a period of Twenty years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £5,800 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of St. Pancras ; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

45. The Solicitor presented an application and voucher for £15 1s. 5d., the purchase-money for the redemption of the Land Tax on property in South-street, purchased by the Board from Messrs. Bell and Co., for the purposes of the Clapham to Putney Relief Sewer, and stated that the amount should be paid not later than to-morrow, and he suggested that the Board should therefore draw a Cheque for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £15 1s. 5d. be now drawn ; and a Cheque was drawn on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account in favour of the Receiver of Inland Revenue.

46. The Solicitor reported that on the 12th instant, fires, attended with loss of life, had occurred at a Public-house in New Inn-yard, Shoreditch, and at premises in Well-street, Hackney, and that he had taken steps for ascertaining the facts from the Officers of the Fire Brigade, and for attending the inquests.

47. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Four Leases to Messrs. Sage and Oxley of Plots Nos. 10, 11, 12 and 13, in Gray's-inn-road (Gray's-inn-road Improvement).

License to Mr. D. Devenish, the Lessee of the " Admiral Keppel " Public-house in High-street, Shoreditch, to make alterations to the premises (High-street, Shoreditch, Improvement).

Conveyance by Mr. A. Westmorland, and others, of the premises No. 174, Gray's-inn-road, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Gray's-inn-road Improvement).

Power of Attorney for payment out of Court, to the Board, of a sum of £1,168 13s. 11d. deposited in connection with an action against the Board by Mr. Bygrave, in respect of Nos. 82 and 84, Red-cross-street (Southwark-bridge-road to Great Dover-street Improvement).

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

48. The Solicitor reported that he had not yet received the Deed of Conveyance to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District of the piece of ground on the South side of Deptford Bridge, agreed to be conveyed by this Board to the District Board, and he suggested that, as the sale and purchase were to be completed on the 20th instant, the

Board would probably authorise the Chairman to affix the Seal to the Deed when received.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to the said Deed of Conveyance.

49. The Clerk laid before the Board two copies of their Order of Friday last (No. 2), on the matter of Disagreement between Messrs. Oliver and Leeson, Architects, and Mr. H. Jarvis, District Surveyor, relative to the construction of two staircases at the Alleyn Boys' School, in Townley-road, Dulwich.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. M. Anderson, Honorary Secretary, and Mr. W. H. White, Secretary of the Royal Institute of British Architects, dated 4th May, 1886, stating that the Council of the Institute had granted Certificates of competency to perform the duties of District Surveyor to Messrs. A. Crow, F. E. Eales, J. Goodchild, F. W. Hamilton, A. Hayes, C. G. Saunders, and S. F. Monier-Williams.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

51. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Wilkins, Clerk to the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, dated 7th May, 1886, stating that having considered a Letter from the Vestry of Clerkenwell on the subject of the Coal and Wine Dues, the Vestry of St. James were of opinion that it was expedient to renew those Dues, and to appropriate the same for the purpose of Metropolitan Improvements.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

52. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. Wallen, dated 6th May, 1886, relative to the neglected state of the garden in the Crescent in Euston-street, St. Pancras, and suggesting that it should be dealt with under the provisions of the Gardens in Towns Protection Act, 1863 (26 Vic., c. 13).

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do report to the Committee thereon.

53. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. H. Elwell, on behalf of the Great Northern Railway Company, dated 7th May, 1886, stating that the Company were desirous of acquiring the piece of land shown on the Plan accompanying the Letter, and coloured Green and Yellow, containing $37\frac{1}{4}$ perches, abutting on Endymion-road, Finsbury-park, and belonging to the Board, for the purpose of widening the Railway, and enquiring whether the Board would be willing to sell the same, and stating that if they would not sell the whole the Company would be glad to purchase the piece coloured Green, containing 11 perches.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

54. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. J. Stokes, Clerk to the Vestry of the Rotherhithe, dated 7th May, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Resolution, expressing the satisfaction of the Vestry with the steps the Board were taking with the view to provide a Bridge across the Thames at Rotherhithe, and stating that the Vestry would support a scheme of that nature.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

55. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, May 10th, 1886.

To the Chairman and Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to inform you that I find myself compelled, by failing health, to tender my resignation of the position of Superintending Architect to the Board, which I have held for more than 25 years.

It is with great reluctance and deep feelings of regret that I have resolved to withdraw from this high and honourable position, and from the performance of professional duties in which I have taken a very lively interest for nearly half a century (having entered my profession in July, 1836).

In closing my long connection with the Board, I trust I may be allowed to express my grateful sense of the kindness and consideration which has always been extended to me by all the Members of the Board, the Chairman and Officers, the recollection of which will ever be a great comfort and consolation to me in my declining years.

In tendering my resignation, I desire at the same time to say that I shall be prepared to continue the conduct of the business of the Department until the Board shall have made such arrangements as they may think necessary in consequence of my retirement, and shall also be willing and ready to place my services at the disposal of the Board on all occasions when the Board may think fit to honour me with their confidence.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

56. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. D. Faulkner, Honorary Secretary of the Holloway Temperance Brass Band, dated 8th May, 1886, asking permission for the Band to play in Finsbury-park on Saturday evenings, or on any other evenings that might be convenient, and that permission might be given to sell programmes of the music.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee to send a reply thereto.

57. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Wollheim, dated 10th May, 1886, requesting, on the grounds stated in his Letter, that the Board would authorise experiments at Crossness with a view to showing the superiority and non-putrescible character of the sludge produced by the Walter process of Sewage precipitation, and if thought desirable, that competitive test experiments with the Chemist's, or any other process might be undertaken.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. J. Jones, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

58. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. R. Fairbairn, Hon. Secretary of a Committee of the South Metropolitan Ratepayers' League, dated 12th May, 1886, stating, with regard to the construction of a proposed Bridge across the Grand Surrey Canal at Canterbury-road, Old Kent-road, that the necessary promises had been given by the parties interested, to contribute one-half of the cost of the Bridge; asking the Board to allow a reference of the subject to come before the Committee of the House of Commons upon the Board's Various Powers Bill of this Session; and stating that the Divisional Member of the House of Commons was prepared to move the suspension of Standing Orders for the purpose.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

59. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Orchard, Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, Finsbury-park, dated 12th May, 1886, asking permission to hold religious services in the Park, either at the Band-stand or some other suitable spot, on Sundays and occasionally during the week.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. F. Hayward, District Surveyor for the District of St. Giles and St. George, Bloomsbury, dated 12th May, 1886, applying to be transferred to the vacant District of Chelsea.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference, already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

61. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. A. Mead, Hon. Secretary of the Clerkenwell Branch of the Social Democratic Federation, dated 13th May, 1886, asking the Board to receive a Deputation on the 21st instant with reference to the immediate application of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1885, by the erection of suitable Working Class Dwellings on the sites of the House of Detention, Clerkenwell, and Coldbath Fields Prison.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to receive the proposed Deputation if necessary.

62. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 11th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.2	16.8	17.0	11.9	8.5	10.1	0.4	0.0	0.2	None
	Camden	17.3	16.1	16.8	12.3	10.3	11.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	Dalston	16.6	16.1	16.5	12.4	10.0	10.9	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow	17.1	16.4	16.6	11.9	7.4	9.3	1.2	0.7	1.0	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	16.6	16.4	16.5	12.2	10.8	11.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	" (Nine-elms)	16.8	16.4	16.6	11.6	8.3	10.4	0.3	0.0	0.2	"
	Kingsland-road	18.3	16.4	17.6	13.8	10.5	12.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross	17.2	16.2	16.7	11.7	8.9	10.4	1.4	1.0	1.2	"
	St. John's-wood	17.2	16.6	16.9	13.2	10.8	12.3	0.6	0.3	0.4	"
	Lambeth-road	16.7	16.3	16.5	13.5	10.3	11.8	0.2	0.1	0.1	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	Station closed for repairs									
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Peckham	17.0	16.2	16.6	11.0	5.7	8.5	0.6	0.0	0.2	"
	Tooley-street	17.0	16.2	16.5	15.5	8.2	12.3	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
	Clapham	16.8	16.4	16.6	14.6	7.3	10.6	1.0	0.0	0.3	"
	Lewisham	16.9	16.5	16.7	14.2	8.1	10.3	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Old Ford	17.4	16.7	17.0	8.8	7.8	8.3	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East	17.4	16.7	17.0	15.9	10.7	12.9	0.4	0.1	0.2	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Highgate-road, on 5th instant, at 7.15 p.m., was 1.7 inch.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Gower-street, on 8th instant, at 7.30 p.m., was 2.8 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in King Edward-road, on 11th instant, at 8.0 p.m., was 2.6 inches.

63. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. W. Webster, on behalf of Mr. A. C. Hoile, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows above the ground-floor level of two shops

in Malpas-road and two shops in Brockley-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 64. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. B. Measures, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards and timber framing to the front gable of No. 19, Strathray-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 65. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Rice, on behalf of Mr. T. Smith, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wooden porch in front of No. 36, Douglas-road, Canonbury.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 66. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd May, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. S. Jobbins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows in front of Nos. 143 to 155 (odd numbers only), High-road, Lee, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 67. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. O. Milne, on behalf of Lord Walsingham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings, next the Bath Hotel, and abutting upon Piccadilly and Arlington-street, with the several projections shown upon the Plans accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 68. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Norton, on behalf of Mr. R. Birkbeck, for the consent of the Board to the erection of wood and glass enclosures to a balcony in front of No. 20, Berkeley-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the conditions that the erection of the enclosures therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 69. ST. MARYLEBONE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Myring, on behalf of Mr. H. Wharton, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a wood, iron and glass porch in front of No. 10, Blenheim-road, St. John's-wood, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 70. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Joseph and Smithem, on behalf of Mr. R. Winder,

for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition with porch to the front of a house known as "Elstree," in Bolingbroke-grove, Wandsworth-common, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 71. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. W. Willis, District Surveyor, asking the Board to afford him legal assistance in obtaining the removal of a wooden porch at "Wildcroft," Putney-heath, Putney, erected contrary to the Resolution of the Board of the 5th March last (No. 72).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 72. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Roller, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and iron studio at the rear of No. 47, Kennington-oval.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 73. POPLAR.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Gregg, on behalf of Dr. Barnardo, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected at the rear of No. 193, Bow-road, Bow.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 74. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th May, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, relative to the widening of East Dulwich-grove, a portion of which it was alleged, was being formed of a less width than that approved by the Board on the 31st October, 1879, (No. 77.)

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 75. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of Hampstead, relative to the formation, by Messrs. Baker and Sons, of roads leading out of Fortune-green-lane, and asking the Board to re-consider their decision of 5th March last (No. 13), approving of the formation and names of such roads.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 76. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. E. Niblett, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of the front and back walls of No. 162, Holloway-road, with openings in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 77. CHelsea.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Ernest George and Peto, on behalf of Mr. De la Rue, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of a house and stabling at No. 26, Cadogan-square, with an open space at the rear thereof, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 78. CITY OF LONDON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Blake, on behalf of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment by the Board of Fees to Mr. Hugh M'Lachlan, District Surveyor for the District of the Western Division of the City of London, and to Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, District Surveyor for the District of the Northern Division of the City of London, in respect of services performed by them in surveying Dangerous Structures within those Districts.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That Fees, amounting to the sum of £2 12s., as specified in the Accounts, numbered 1 and 2, now presented to this Board, be paid to Mr. Hugh M'Lachlan, the District Surveyor mentioned in such Accounts, and that Fees, amounting to the sum of £1, as specified in the Accounts numbered 1 and 2, now presented to this Board, be paid to Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, the District Surveyor mentioned in such Accounts in respect of services performed by them in surveying Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

- 79. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a communication from Mr. Thomas Roger Smith, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of West Wandsworth, dated 13th May, 1886, notifying that additional buildings at the Wandsworth Free Library, in High-street, Wandsworth, were about to be erected under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**, and **ordered**, as follows—~~Whereas~~ **Whereas**, Mr. Thomas Roger Smith, District Surveyor for the District of West Wandsworth, did on the 13th day of May, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said Thomas Roger Smith was engaged to act professionally in respect of the erection of additional buildings at the Wandsworth Free Library, in High-street, Wandsworth, and the said Thomas Roger Smith has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. Thomas William Willis, District Surveyor for the District of Putney and Hamlet of Roehampton, be appointed by this Board, and the said Thomas William Willis is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

- 80. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, requesting the Board to take proceedings for enforcing compliance with the condition as to the surrender to the public of the ground between the shop at No. 835, Old Kent-road, and the public way, in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 9th March last, (No. 54).

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 81. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. C. Hull, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and iron office on land belonging to the Crystal Palace Company, and near the South Transept in Crystal Palace-road.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be not granted.

- 82. ISLINGTON.**—Read a communication from Mr. John Goldicutt Turner, Deputy District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of East Islington, dated 11th May, 1886, notifying that certain structural works at No. 220, Holloway-road, at the corner of Slaney-place, were about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**, and **ordered**, as follows—~~Whereas~~ **Whereas** Mr. John Goldicutt Turner, Deputy District Surveyor for the District of East Islington, did on the 11th day of

May, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said John Goldicutt Turner, was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain structural works at No. 220, Holloway-road, at the corner of Slaney-place, and the said John Goldicutt Turner has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. George McDonell, District Surveyor for the District of South-West Islington, be appointed by this Board, and the said George McDonell is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

83. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Calder, on behalf of Messrs. J. C. Wood and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and iron building at the rear of “The Royal Albert” Beer-house, at the corner of Chatham-street and Orkney-street, Battersea.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application be not granted.

84. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th May, 1886, stating that Mr. E. H. Wilkinson, an Assistant in the Dangerous Structures Branch of his Department, was still unable to attend to his duties in consequence of illness.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That one month’s further leave of absence be granted to Mr. Wilkinson, and that the Superintending Architect do report again at the expiration of that period.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 21st instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o’clock at noon.

No. 19.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **21st** day of **May**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.
BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.
JOHN LENANTON, Esq.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	COLONEL MUNRO.
WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH- ARDSON, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.
WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, Esq.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., Eng.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.
GEORGE BROWN, Esq.	JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.
FREDERICK COX, Esq.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.
WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND- SAY, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL- LIAMS, Esq.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN- HALL, Esq.
ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.
FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER, Esq.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	EDWIN LAWRENCE, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR- CLOUGH, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	
ROBERT JONES, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	
COLONEL HUGHES, M.P.		
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR- RETT, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 14th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.
2. Mr. Lammin stated that a Meeting of the Sixteen additional Members of the Board who had been elected under the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1885, at which Meeting he had been chosen to preside, had been held this day; that, pursuant to the provision contained in the 4th Section of the Act, those gentlemen had determined by lot among themselves which of them should be the Members to go out

of office on the second Wednesday in June, in the years 1886 and 1887, and that the result of the ballot which had been taken was as follows—

Members to retire in 1886.

1.	F. G. Baker, Esq.	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
2.	W. Andrews, Esq.	...	...	...	Greenwich.
3.	P. W. Funnell, Esq.	...	...	...	Lambeth.
4.	G. Brown, Esq.	...	...	...	Hammersmith.
5.	B. Weir, Esq.	...	...	...	Wandsworth.

Members to retire in 1887.

1.	A. Middlemass, Esq.	...	...	...	Camberwell.
2.	W. A. Lindsay, Esq.	...	...	...	Kensington.
3.	S. Price, Esq.	...	...	...	Islington.
4.	W. H. Lammin, Esq.	...	...	...	Fulham.
5.	F. Cox, Esq.	...	...	...	Hackney.

Mr. Lammin further stated that the names of the six remaining Members who were to retire in the year 1888, were—

1.	Colonel Hughes, M.P.	...	...	...	Plumstead.
2.	W. Boutcher, Esq.	...	...	...	Kensington.
3.	A. Cameron, Esq.	...	...	...	Wandsworth.
4.	W. Urquhart, Esq.	...	...	...	Paddington.
5.	T. W. Williams, Esq.	...	...	...	Lewisham.
6.	J. Lenanton, Esq.	...	...	...	Poplar.

It was *moved* by Mr. Lammin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestries and District Boards of the Parishes and Districts represented by the above-mentioned Members who retire from office in June next, be informed of the expiration of the term of office of those gentlemen.

3. Mr. White stated that the Deputation on the subject of the proposed Improvement at Park-place, Knightsbridge, notice of which appeared in the paper of business, had not yet arrived.

4. Mr. Shepherd handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of Bermondsey, Surrey.

Town-hall, Spa-road, S.E.,
19th May, 1886.

SIR,—I am desired by the Vestry to call your serious attention to the unfortunate condition of a portion of the population of this Parish, and especially that portion which lies in or about the Southwark-park-road, owing to the periodical trouble caused by the floods pouring into their premises from your Sewers.

Some of the Sewers of this Parish during the rains of last week were charged up to the hilt with water, the consequence of which was that in numerous streets they discharged into the dwellings of the inhabitants. This, as a sanitary matter, is looked upon by the Vestry as a consideration of the first importance, and I am to urge upon you the necessity of immediately endeavouring to take such steps as shall prevent the Ratepayers who help to pay for the Sewers from receiving a flood of Sewage and water in return.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) J. HARRISON,
Clerk and Solicitor.

To the Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

5. Read a Letter, as follows—

Paddington.

Vestry-hall, Harrow-road,
20th May, 1886.

GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY AND ST. MARY ABBOTTS, KENSINGTON.

DEAR SIR,—In view of the decision in the Court of Queen's Bench on this case (May, 1885), I am instructed by the Vestry of this Parish to request that the Metropolitan Board of Works will be good enough to introduce a Clause into one of their Parliamentary Bills, making it compulsory for Gas and Water Companies to lay their mains at a depth of not less than twenty-six inches below the surface of the streets.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) FRANK DETHRIDGE,

Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

6. Mr. Harben handed in a Letter, as follows—

Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead.

Vestry-hall, Hampstead, N.W.,
19th May, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to your Letter of the 10th ultimo, forwarding, for the information of the Vestry, a further statement of account, relative to the Street Improvements at Hampstead, now being carried out by the Metropolitan Board of Works, and applying for a further payment of £20,000, I am desired by the Vestry to apply to the Metropolitan Board for permission to borrow, and also to advance, the sum of £20,000 to be applied towards such Improvements.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,

Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Harben, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

7. Mr. Harben, in the absence of Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 11th May, 1886.

Pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 8th January last (No. 9), your Committee have caused to be prepared a Draft Report of the proceedings of the Board for the year ended 31st December, 1885, as required by the 200th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, and the 16th Section of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1871. A copy of the Report has been sent to each Member of the Board, and your Committee beg to submit the Draft Report, and to recommend—

That the same be approved, and that copies thereof, together with the Account in Abstract and Summary Statement for the same period, be sent to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department; to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings; to the Local Government Board; to the Lord Mayor of the City of London; to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury; and to each of the Vestries and District Boards within the Metropolis, conformably to the 200th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, and the 16th Section of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1871; that a copy be also supplied to each Member of the Court of Common Council, and of the several Vestries and District Boards in the Metropolis; that a copy be sent to the Municipal

Authorities of the principal Cities and Towns in England and abroad; and that a sufficient number of copies of the Report be printed for that purpose.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
CHAS. MOSSOP,
HENRY HARBEN,
GEORGE JAMES,
W. URQUHART.

The Draft Report referred to was laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Harben, and seconded—That the Draft Report now submitted be approved and dealt with, as recommended by the Committee.

Mr. Runtz thereupon called attention to the paragraph on page 53 of the Report, with reference to the Board's proposal for an increased contribution from Insurance Companies towards the expenses of the Fire Brigade, and *moved*, as an *amendment*—That the Draft Report be referred back to the Committee, for re-consideration.

The *amendment* was seconded by Col. Hughes, M.P.

After discussion the *amendment* was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

A further *amendment* was *moved* by Mr. Richardson, and seconded—That the Draft Report be altered by striking out the words, "by any impartial person," from the paragraph in question.

The *amendment* having been put to the vote it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an *original motion* it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

The Report was then altered accordingly.

It was thereupon *resolved*—That the Draft Report of the proceedings of the Board for the year ended 31st December, 1885, be approved, and that copies thereof, together with the Account in Abstract and Summary Statement for the same period be sent to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department; to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings; to the Local Government Board; to the Lord Mayor of the City of London; to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury; and to each of the Vestries and District Boards within the Metropolis, conformably to the 200th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, and the 16th Section of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1871; that a copy be also supplied to each Member of the Court of Common Council, and of the several Vestries and District Boards in the Metropolis; that a copy be sent to the Municipal authorities of the principal Cities and Towns in England and abroad; and that a sufficient number of copies of the Report be printed for that purpose.

8. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 17th May, 1886.

Under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, your Committee have drawn the following Cheques—

<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers.</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Ironmongers' Company—(1412)—</i>							
Adams-Beck, R. C.—							
1278	Costs of application for sale of Reduced Three per Cents, and re-investment of proceeds	...	87	17	-		
	Carried forward	...	£87	17	-		...

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	87	17	-	...		
<i>Re</i> Neagle—(1413)—								
Neagle, M.—								
1279	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 112, Church-street, Deptford...	...	250	-	-			
Hunt, W. T., Jun.—								
1280	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	8	8	-			
Neagle, M.—								
1281	Interest on purchase-money, from 26th January, 1885, to 19th May, 1886 (less Tax)	...	15	16	5			
						362	1	5
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>								
<i>Re</i> Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Putney)—(1414)—								
Bank of England—								
60	Interest on purchase-money from 24th June, 1882, to 20th May, 1886 (less Tax)	...				91	3	11
<i>Streets (Act of 1872).</i>								
<i>Re</i> Woolley's Trustees (Old-street)—(1415)—								
Lee, Ockerby and Everington—								
4850	Costs of application for payment of Dividends on Fund in Court ...	...				15	10	1
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>								
<i>Re</i> Elmer (Piccadilly)—(1416)—								
Truefitt and Gane—								
8793	Costs of application for payment out of Fund in Court...	...	9	18	10			
<i>Re</i> Carter's Charity (Charing-cross)—(1440)—								
Speed, R. H.—								
8794	Proportion of apportioned ground-rent of No. 65, Crown-street, Soho, from Christmas, 1885, to 10th March, 1886 (less Tax)	...	3	4	6			
<i>Re</i> Westmoreland (Gray's-inn-road)—(1441 and 1417)—								
Trollope and Winckworth—								
8795	Proportion of rent of No. 174, Gray's- inn-road, from Christmas, 1885, to 26th January, 1886 (less Tax)	£15 9 4						
	Interest on purchase-money from 26th January to 12th May, 1886 (less Tax)	...	50	17	4			
						66	6	8
<i>Re</i> Watson (Southwark-bridge-road)—(1418 to 1420)—								
Berkeley and Son—								
	Costs of application for investment of Fund in Court and payment of Dividends—							
8796	Miss Sophia Watson's share	£16 7 10						
8797	Mr. J. E. Watson's	21 8 11						
8798	Mr. Fredk. Watson's	15 18 9						
						53	15	6
<i>Re</i> Hofman (Charing-cross)—(1421)—								
Rye, Eyre and Willoughby—								
8799	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	12	18	6			
	Carried forward	..	£146	4	-	468	15	5

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	146	4	-	468	15	5
<i>Re Ayres (Charing-cross)—(1422)—</i>								
	Ayres, Mrs. L.—							
8800	Compensation for removal from No. 4, St. Martin's-place ...	...	20	-	-			
<i>Re D'Humy (Charing-cross)—(1465)—</i>								
	Paddison, Son and Co.—							
8802	Taxed costs of inquiry, <i>re</i> No. 21, Litchfield-street		261	-	4			
						427	4	4
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re Trustees of St. Mary, Newington (Walworth-road)—(1423)—</i>								
	Bank of England—							
1012	Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in Nos. 68 to 76 (even numbers), Walworth-road ...	...	5,150	-	-			
<i>Re Central Bank of London, Limited (Bermondsey)—(1424)—</i>								
	Saffery, Huntley and Son—							
1013	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c. ...	...	11	1	10			
<i>Re J. Nugent (Upper-street, Islington)—(1425)—</i>								
	Nugent, Jas., and Nugent, Jas. Fredk.—							
1014	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 163, Upper-street ...	£3,740	-	-				
	Nugent, Jas.—							
1015	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 163, Upper-street	1,060	-	-		4,800	-	-
	Wagstaff and Warman—							
1016	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract ...	...	42	-	-			
	Beck, W.—							
1017	Preliminary Costs, as per Contract ...	...	10	10	-			
	Phillips, J. and J.—							
1018	Stamp-duty on Conveyance ...	...	24	-	-			
<i>Re J. Nugent and another (Upper-street)—(1426)—</i>								
	Bank of England—							
1019	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 162, Upper-street ...	...	3,630	-	-			
	Wagstaff and Warman—							
1020	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract ...	...	33	12	-			
	Beck, W.—							
1021	Preliminary Costs, as per Contract ...	...	10	10	-			
	Phillips, J. J. and J.—							
1022	Stamp-duty on Conveyance ...	...	18	5	-			
<i>Re Cornwall (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1427)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos 49 and 51, Green-street, and Nos. 1 and 2, Chester-place—							
1023	Bradshaw, Richard ...	£750	-	-				
	Carried forward ...	£750	-	-	13,729	18	10	895 19 9

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	£750	-	-	13,729	18	10
1024	Cornwall, Mrs. Mary Ann	...	959	-	-			
			1,709	-	-			
	Trade compensation—							
1025	Cornwall, Mrs. Mary Ann	...	521	-	-	2,230	-	-
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
1026	Sur eyors' Fee	... ..				30	9	-
<i>Re Mole (Walworth-road)—(1388)—</i>								
	Abbott, C. J.—							
1027	Under-sheriff's Fees, for inquiry	... ..				25	16	-
							16,016	3 10
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re Wells and Hampden Charity—(1428)—</i>								
	Lane, Morris and Soutter—							
367	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..				82	2	-
<i>Re Haward—(1429)—</i>								
	Martineau and Reid—							
368	Proportion of rent of tenant of No. 51, High-street, and premises adjoining, from Christmas, 1885, to 5th May, 1886 (less Tax)	... ..				31	11	-
<i>Re Creed—(1430)—</i>								
	Lott, J.—							
369	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..				22	14	-
<i>Re Williams—(1434)—</i>								
	Cook, W.—							
370	Fee for services, as per Order of Committee	... ..				2	2	-
<i>Compensations to Tenants for loss of business and removal—</i>								
<i>371 Williams, J.—(1431)—</i>								
	No. 2, Yorkshire-grey-yard	... ..				20	-	-
<i>372 Brown, Mrs. Jane—(1432)—</i>								
	No. 1, Church-place	... ..				20	-	-
<i>373 Markham, F.—(1433)—</i>								
	No. 1, Bradley's-buildings	... ..				15	-	-
							193	9 -
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Golden-lane National School (Whitecross-street)—(1435)—</i>								
	Markby, Stewart and Co.—							
5800	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..				31	3	-
<i>Re Bromley's Trustee (Tench-street)—(1436 and 1437)—</i>								
	Hilleary and Layard—							
5801	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	... ..				24	2	6
5802	Proportion of rent of No. 23, Green-bank, and No. 26, Lower Well-alley, from Midsummer, 1885, to 19th April, 1886 (less Tax)	... ..				22	3	7
<i>Re Clements (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1438)—</i>								
	Bristow, W.—							
5803	Costs of application for investment of purchase-money in Consols	... ..				12	12	5
	Carried forward	... ..	£90	1	6	17,105	12	7

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	90	1	6	17,105	12	7
<i>Re</i> Powell (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1439)— Greenfield, B. E.—								
5804 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	17	11	11			
						107	13	5
						£17,213	6	—

Your Committee have cancelled the Cheque No. 1,582, drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund for £38 2s. 9d., on the 10th instant, in favour of Mr. S. Payne, *re* Corporation of London, and they have drawn a Cheque, as follows, in lieu thereof—

(*Streets Act of 1877*).

Re Corporation of London (Southwark-bridge-road)—
(1354)—

Payne, S.—

8801 Interest on purchase-money of No. 108, Black-
man-street, from Lady-day to 3rd May, 1886
(less Tax)

£53 11 8

Your Committee have also to report that the Cheque, No. 8,790 (*Streets Act of 1877*), drawn by them on the 10th instant, in favour of Messrs. Paddison, Son and Co., or bearer, for £36 0s. 4d. for taxed costs of Jury proceedings, less tenant's rent, *re* D'Humy (Charing-cross), and for which your Solicitor obtained cash, has been tendered to Messrs. Paddison, who declined to accept it, and that the money was, on the 12th instant, returned to your Cashier, and paid back to the Board's Account at the London and Westminster Bank on the same day.

Your Committee have proceeded on the Resolution of the Board of the 26th February last (No. 3), referring it to them to confer with Her Majesty's Government, with a view to ascertain whether, in the event of the Board deciding to carry out one or more permanent communications across the Thames, or any other works requiring Parliamentary sanction, they might rely upon the assistance of the Government to obtain exceptional powers from Parliament to enable the works to be commenced without unnecessary delay, and also as to the best means of providing the requisite funds. The late President of the Local Government Board had consented to receive a Deputation on the subject, but the change of Government prevented his doing so. His successor Mr. Stansfeld has expressed his willingness to receive the Board, but on further consideration of the subject it does not appear to your Committee necessary to trouble him, and they recommend—

That the reference be discharged.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on Friday last (No. 11), from Mr. G. B. Godfrey, stating that since the last meeting of the Board he had examined more fully the details of his original Tender for the construction of Battersea new Bridge, and that he found it would require the sum of £138,000 to carry out the work satisfactorily, instead of £130,000, and that unless the amount stated in his original Tender were increased to that sum, he would not feel justified in signing a Contract. Your Committee are not prepared to advise the Board to entertain Mr. Godfrey's suggestion for an increase in the amount of his Tender, and they recommend that he be so informed. They further recommend—

That the next lowest Tender, namely that of Messrs. Williams, Son and Wallington, amounting to £143,000, be accepted, subject to the same conditions as were attached to the acceptance of Mr. Godfrey's Tender.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 8th January last (No. 31), from the Vestry of St. Pancras, transmitting

a copy of a Report from their Parliamentary, &c., Committee, approved by them, urging the Board to re-consider the question of the removal of the gates by St. Pancras Church, and in Gower-street, Torrington-place, and Sidmouth-street, and expressing the opinion that each of them is of Metropolitan importance, and should be removed without further delay and at the cost of the ratepayers of the Metropolis generally. The Board, on the 24th July last, on the recommendation of your Committee, directed that a communication should be sent to the Vestry, stating that, whilst the Board were unable to deal with the whole question of the removal of Gates and Bars in the Metropolis, they would, if the Vestry applied to them to deal with one or two definite cases in the Parish of St. Pancras which seemed to be most injurious to the public interest, and towards the cost of which the Vestry would be willing to contribute, consider the desirability of taking legislative action to remove such Gates or Bars. Your Committee, on a further consideration of the matter, see no reason for varying that decision, and they recommend—

That the Vestry be informed that the Board are unable to depart from the decision arrived at on the 24th July last in relation to the question.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred on the 26th June, 1885 (No. 31), from the Society of Medical Officers of Health, stating that they were of opinion that legislation was urgently needed to control the brick-making industry in the Metropolis, by such means as might be found necessary to prevent nuisance arising from its operations, and expressing a hope that the Board would see fit to move for legislation on the subject. After careful consideration of the matter and conference with your Officers, your Committee are not prepared to advise the Board to take any action in the direction indicated, and they recommend that the Society of Medical Officers of Health be informed to that effect.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 2), from the Vestry of Shoreditch, asking the Board to contribute one-half, or a sum not exceeding £150, towards the cost, viz., £260, of an Improvement at Nos. 19, 21 and 23, Hackney-road. The cost of the land only will be £260, and about 180 superficial feet of land will be added to the public way. Your Committee have viewed the locality and are of opinion that the Improvement is a desirable one, and your Superintending Architect reports that the cost is fair and reasonable. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost of the Improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £130, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had before them the Letter referred on the 9th ultimo (No. 43) from the Vestry of Shoreditch, requesting approval by the Board of an Improvement they proposed to effect in Nile-street, as shown on the Plan accompanying their Letter, at an estimated cost, including works, of £1,000, and asking the Board to contribute one moiety of the cost. Your Committee have considered the Letter, in accordance with the reference made to them, and have now to report to that they have not arrived at any Resolution thereon.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter, referred to them on the 14th instant (No. 55), from Mr. G. Vulliamy, tendering his resignation of the office of Superintending Architect in consequence of ill-health. Mr. Vulliamy has held his high and responsible office for upwards of 25 years, and your Committee feel sure that every Member of the Board will regret the reasons of his retirement. Your Committee reserve for future consideration and report the questions of the grant of a Retiring

allowance to Mr. Vulliamy, and the appointment of a successor, and they now recommend—

That his resignation be accepted as from the 29th September next.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
J. E. BRADFELD.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the reference made to the Committee by the Board on the 26th February last (No. 3), to confer with the Government, with a view to ascertain whether, in the event of the Board deciding to carry out one or more permanent communications across the Thames, or any other works requiring Parliamentary sanction, they might rely upon the assistance of the Government to obtain exceptional powers from Parliament to enable the works to be commenced without unnecessary delay, and also as to the best means of providing the requisite funds, be discharged.

The Engineer read the following Report—

Engineer's Department,
Spring-gardens,
20th May, 1886.

BATTERSEA (NEW) BRIDGE.

“Engineer to see Messrs. Williams, Son and Wallington, as to conditions, and report
“to the Board on Friday.”

I have had an interview with Messrs. Williams, Son and Wallington, since the last meeting of the Works, &c., Committee, and they state that they are prepared to sign the Contract for the construction of the proposed new Bridge at Battersea, and to carry out the work for the sum mentioned in their Tender, namely—£143,000, and that they will undertake to put the ironwork in the hands of a firm which shall be satisfactory to your Engineer. They say that as a great deal of the work to the foundations must be advanced before the ironwork is commenced, it would be an advantage to them to have time to make their arrangements with the iron founders complete, and will not delay operations.

Under these circumstances I recommend that Messrs. Williams, Son and Wallington's Tender be accepted.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That Mr. Godfrey be informed that the Board are not prepared to entertain his suggestion for an increase in the amount of his Tender for the construction of Battersea new Bridge; and that the next lowest Tender for the said works, namely, that of Messrs. Williams, Son and Wallington, amounting to £143,000, be accepted, subject to the result of the usual enquiries being satisfactory, and to the names of the Ironfounders to be employed being approved by the Engineer of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of St. Pancras be informed, in reply to their Letter, urging the Board to re-consider the question of the removal of the gates by St. Pancras Church, and in Gower-street, Torrington-place and Sidmouth-street, that the Board are unable to depart from their decision arrived at on the 24th July last in relation to the question.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Society of Medical Officers of Health be informed, in reply to their Letter, urging that legislation is needed to control the brick-making industry in the Metropolis, that the Board, having given careful consideration to the question, are not prepared to take any action in the direction indicated.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£260) of an Improvement proposed to be effected by the Vestry of Shoreditch at Nos. 19, 21 and 23, Hackney-road; such contribution not to exceed the sum of £130, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was *moved* by Captain Wenborn, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Lawrence—That the application of the Vestry of Shoreditch for a contribution towards the cost of the proposed Improvement at Nile-street, be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

After discussion the *motion* was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the resignation by Mr. G. Vulliamy of the office of Superintending Architect be accepted as from the 29th September next.

9. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 18th May, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the Resolution of the Bolingbroke Tradesmen and Ratepayers' Club, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 57), asking that a Fire-escape may be placed opposite the "Falcon" Public-house, at Clapham Junction, or at some other spot suitable to the requirements of that locality. Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, referred on the 14th instant, making a similar request. It appears to your Committee that the Board can give no other answer to these requests than has been given to the inhabitants and Local Authorities of other Districts, that is to say, that the expenditure on the Fire Brigade being considerably in excess of the income allotted for the purpose by Parliament, it is impossible for the Board, at the present time, to add to the number of Fire-escape Stations in any part of the Metropolis. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the applicants be so informed.

Your Committee have received a Report from the Chief Officer, and a Certificate by one of the Medical Officers, to the effect that Engineer Charles Langhelt is suffering from chronic rheumatism, and that his infirmity is such as to permanently incapacitate him for further service in the Brigade. Langhelt was born in September, 1835, and joined the Brigade in December, 1855. He has thus completed 30 years' service, and, as the Chief Officer states that he has served with zeal and fidelity, your Committee recommend—

That Langhelt be discharged with a Pension of £2 1s. 10d. a week, the amount to which he is entitled under the Board's Regulations.

Your Committee have also received a Report from the Chief Officer, and a Certificate by one of the Medical Officers, to the effect that Third-class Fireman J. D. Freeman is suffering from defective vision, and that he is on that account unfit for service as a Fireman. Freeman was born in November, 1858, and joined the Brigade in February, 1882. As he has only completed Four years' service, he is not entitled to any gratuity on retirement, but the Board will, as in previous cases, probably wish to give Freeman a small sum. Your Committee recommend—

That he be discharged, and that a gratuity of £5 be granted to him.

Your Committee regret to have to report the death of Fourth-class Fireman W. J. Bridges, in consequence of injuries caused by a fall from a horse. Bridges, it appears, having assisted in taking a Fire-escape to its night Station, was riding back to the Head-quarters on one of the horses which had taken out the street-waggon to its night Station at the "Elephant and Castle," when the accident happened. The Chief Officer states distinctly that it was no part of Bridges' duty to be riding the horse, and that, therefore, he cannot be said to have met with his death in the execution of his duty, and it is very necessary that this should be understood throughout the Brigade. The Chief Officer states, however, that he always did his work satisfactorily, and that he gave every promise of becoming a useful member of the force. Your Committee regret his untimely death, and they recommend—

That a gratuity of £10 be granted to his widow.

Your Committee have further to report that First-class Fireman John H. Dickens and Fourth-class Firemen W. J. Thorp and W. Martin have withdrawn from the service, and that their names have accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Fourth-class Fireman Henry Hill has been reported to your Committee for refusing to do any more duty, and your Committee recommend—

That he be dismissed.

The Chief Officer has reported to your Committee that Fourth-class Fireman F. S. Rees was absent from his duty with the Golden-square Fire-escape on the morning of the 28th ultimo, when a fire occurred in Beak-street, Regent-street, at which three men lost their lives. An inquest has been held on the bodies of the unfortunate men, and the Coroner's jury has returned a verdict of manslaughter against Rees. In these circumstances your Committee recommend—

That Rees be dismissed.

Your Committee have to submit the following recommendations—

That the following promotions be made, viz.—Second-class Fireman Stephen T. Richards, to the First Class; Third-class Fireman H. C. D. Thoburn to the Second Class; and Fourth-class Firemen William Trice and Frederick W. Sampson to the Third Class.

That Francis H. Keys, Walter Withams, Henry E. Reed, and Joseph H. Penn be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to report, for the Board's information, that the Contract for the maintenance and repair of the Fire-escapes, and for the supply of new Escapes and Watch-boxes having expired on the 30th ultimo, notice of the Board's intention to enter into a new Contract was given by Advertisement in the newspapers, and two complete Tenders were received. Your Committee, having considered those Tenders, have resolved to accept that of Messrs. E. H. Bayley and Co., the present Contractors, who have done the work satisfactorily for many years. The new Contract will be for Three years from 1st June next, Messrs. Bayley and Co. having agreed, at the request of your Committee, to carry on the work under the old Contract for a month beyond the date of its expiration. The prices to be paid to Messrs. Bayley and Co., under the new Contract, are as follows—

Each new Escape (taking an old Escape in exchange) for the sum of	...	...	...	...	...	...	£65	0	0
Each new Escape (nothing being taken in exchange) for the sum of							75	0	0
Each new large Watch-box	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	0	0
Each new small Watch-box of the old pattern					...	...	8	10	0
Each new small Watch-box of an improved pattern				...	...	...	18	0	0
Maintenance and repair of every Escape and Watch-box belonging to the Fire Brigade, at per annum each	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	0	0

Your Committee have also accepted the Tender of Messrs. E. H. Bayley and Co. for the supply and repair of the Wheels and other parts of the carriages of Fire-engines, Vans, &c., for three years from 1st June next, Mr. G. Bray, the present

Contractor, having agreed, at the request of your Committee, to carry on until the end of May the work under his Contract which expired on 30th April.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) GEORGE HILL,
W. R. SELWAY,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
GEO. EDWARDS,
AND^W. MIDDLEMASS,
ROBT. JONES.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Wandsworth District Board and the Bolingbroke Tradesmen and Ratepayers' Club be informed that, as the expenditure on the Fire Brigade is considerably in excess of the income allotted for the purpose by Parliament, it is impossible for the Board, at the present time, to add to the number of Fire-escape Stations in any part of the Metropolis.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Engineer Charles Langhelt, who is certified to be incapacitated by physical infirmity for further service in the Brigade, be discharged with a Pension of £2 1s. 10d. a week, the amount to which he is entitled under the Board's Regulations.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Third-class Fireman J. D. Freeman, who is certified to be unfit for further service as a Fireman, be discharged, and that a gratuity of £5 be granted to him.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That a gratuity of £10 be granted to the widow of Fourth-class Fireman W. J. Bridges.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Fourth-class Firemen Henry Hill and F. S. Rees be dismissed for misconduct.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following promotions be made, viz.—Second-class Fireman Stephen T. Richards, to the First Class; Third-class Fireman H. C. D. Thoburn to the Second Class; and Fourth-class Firemen William Trice and Frederick W. Sampson to the Third Class.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Francis H. Keys, Walter Withams, Henry E. Reed, and Joseph H. Penn be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

10. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 18th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that the Board on the 19th February last (No. 3) directed that a Notice under the 45th Section of their Various Powers Act, 1882, should be prepared, and be served upon the person keeping open the Grand Theatre, in High-street, Islington, as a place of public entertainment. The Notice had reference to the fastenings of the exit doors, the placing of inscriptions in the corridors to show the way out, and the provision in certain parts of the Theatre of oil lamps, to be kept burning during the whole time of the performance. The Notice was served on the 9th March last, and your Committee have to report, for the information of the Board, that the Notice has been complied with.

Your Committee have also to report that they have, in pursuance of the reference by the Board of the 12th March last (No. 95), considered the application of Mr. J. Wall, on behalf of Mr. R. Wallbutton, for approval by the Board of certain alterations and additions proposed to be made to the public Hall at the Deptford Conservative Club, at the rear of No. 411, New-cross-road, Deptford, as shown on the Drawings accompanying

the application. The Board, on the 30th October last (No. 12), granted a conditional Certificate in respect of the Hall at that Club, which Hall it is now proposed to lengthen at its Northern end, to the extent of 30 feet, as well as to form a new platform, with refreshment-rooms under such platform, and to build a small retiring-room on the East side of the Hall, and a new entrance vestibule and two retiring-rooms on the West side of the Hall. Your Committee suggested to the applicant various points, relating chiefly to the thickness of certain walls, the construction of the floor of the platform, and the strengthening of the roof, in which it appeared desirable to amend the Drawings for the better security of the public. The applicant has adopted those suggestions, and submitted an amended Drawing embodying the proposed alterations. The District Surveyor is desirous that the wall separating the public Hall from the premises in New-cross-road should be treated as a party wall, and your Committee are of opinion that the suggestion should also be adopted. They therefore recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that such alterations and additions be made in accordance with the amended Drawing submitted by the applicant, and presented to the Theatres and Music-halls Sub-Committee on the 11th May, 1886, and also upon condition that the wall at the Southern end of the Hall, separating such Hall from the premises in New-cross-road be treated as a party-wall, and that any opening made in such wall be closed by an iron door; and that the District Surveyor be informed of the decision of the Board.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. J. G. Buckle, on behalf of Mr. J. N. Maskelyne, for approval by the Board of certain proposed alterations to the Egyptian Hall, in Piccadilly, as shown on the Plans, and described in the specification accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 54). The proposed alterations include the re-arrangement of the staircases, the provision of lavatory accommodation in the basement, with a staircase leading into the entrance Hall, the enlargement of the Lounge on the South side of the Hall, the construction of new dressing-rooms and a property room, and the raising of a portion of the roof over the stage. The manner in which it is proposed to alter the staircases is open to serious objection, as it appears that if the alterations were effected the audience from five different parts of the premises would meet together in a space which, at one point, is only about 5 feet wide. The applicant, states that it is intended to apply for a dramatic License for the premises, but it is probable that extensive structural alterations would be required to render their use for that purpose compatible with the safety of the public. Apart from that question, however, your Committee consider the Drawings submitted unsatisfactory, and they therefore recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have recently had under consideration the question of the further steps it is desirable to take with respect to the Foresters' Music-hall, in Cambridge-road, Bethnal-green. The Board's sealed Notice with respect to the alterations necessary for remedying the structural defects of the building was served on the 20th February, 1885, but in consequence of an appeal by the Owner, the subject was referred to the arbitration of Sir Henry A. Hunt, whose Award was published on the 17th November, 1885. Very little progress has hitherto been made with the works required under the Award to be done, and the Hall is open nightly for musical performances. The period of six months allowed for the completion of the alterations has now expired, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to address a Letter to the Owner, calling his attention to the delay, and informing him that unless the works are proceeded with and completed with the utmost diligence, the Board will take proceedings against him for the recovery of the penalties prescribed by the Act.

Your Committee have also to report the steps which have been taken for remedying the structural defects of the Hungerford Music-hall, in Villiers-street, Strand. The Board's sealed Notice was served on the 19th February, 1885, and the Hall was closed in July last in order that the works might be commenced. Shortly afterwards,

however, the Owners resolved to effect alterations of a more extensive nature than those required by the Board. The Drawings submitted for that purpose were carefully examined by, and subsequently amended, at the suggestion of your Committee, who intimated to the Owners that the modifications proposed, which included the remodelling of the interior of the Hall, the construction of a gallery, the formation of a new exit for the public, leading into Sermon-lane, and other alterations, all of which appeared to be improvements on the original design, would probably be accepted by the Board. Your Committee have now to report that the alterations to the building have been completed, and they recommend—

That the works executed by the Owners of the Hungerford Music-hall, in Villiers-street, Strand, be accepted as a compliance with the Board's sealed Notice for remedying the structural defects of the building; that the Owners be informed accordingly, and that the Justices of Middlesex be apprised of the completion of the works.

The Board, on the 8th March last, served a sealed Notice upon the Owner of Neumeyer Hall, in Hart-street, Bloomsbury, requiring certain alterations to be made for remedying the structural defects of the building. The usual period of two months was allowed for the commencement of the works, and of six months for their completion. Your Committee have recently had before them a Letter from Messrs. Indermaur and Brown, requesting that the time for commencing the alterations might be extended to the 1st June, 1886, as their client is under contract to let the Hall on various occasions during the month of May, and the works might be done in June, during which month he would be willing not to let the Hall. Your Committee are of opinion that under the circumstances the request may receive the favourable consideration of the Board, as there will be no difficulty, if the works be carried on with diligence, in completing them within the time specified for the purpose. Messrs. Indermaur and Brown write on behalf of the tenant of the Hall, but it appears desirable that the Owner, who is responsible for the execution of the works, should receive an official intimation from the Board of the course to be adopted. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the request of Messrs Indermaur and Brown be complied with, and that the Owner of the Hall be informed of the application made by Messrs. Indermaur and Brown, and that the Board have consented thereto.

Your Committee have also, in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 7th instant (No. 94), considered the application of Mr. H. F. Swynfin, on behalf of the St. James's Temperance Mission and Lecture Hall Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of certain variations from the Drawings sanctioned by the Board, for the erection of the St. James's Temperance Mission-hall, in Royal-road, Kennington. The Board, on the 5th February last (No. 10), conditionally approved of certain Drawings for the erection of the building, and agreed to grant a Certificate under the Act, on the completion of the works in accordance with such Drawings. It is now proposed to alter the arrangement of the stairs to the rooms in the basement under the Hall. Those stairs are 4 feet 6 inches wide, and are of stone, carried upon brick walls. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. Mason, on behalf of Mr. C. Cordingley, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed new public Hall, to be called the Lyric Hall, to be erected on the site of Nos. 8 and 10, Broadway, Hammersmith, as shown on the Drawings accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 9th ultimo (No. 71). The proposed Hall, as shown on the Drawings, is about 61 feet long by 21 feet wide, and is estimated to accommodate 300 persons, namely, 160 in the body of the Hall, and 140 in the gallery. There is a stage at one end of the Hall, about 10 feet deep, and two rooms under it. A portion of the frontage of the building is occupied by two small shops, separated from the other portion of the premises by brick walls and fire-resisting floors. The entrance to the Hall

is by two lobbies to the right and left of those shops. On the level of the first floor is a Committee-room, approached by a staircase leading out of the top landing of the gallery staircase. Your Committee have carefully examined the Drawings and found them to be in several respects unsatisfactory. Separate exits should, in the opinion of your Committee be provided for the body of the Hall, the gallery, and the Committee-room, and the site of the shops should be added to the entrance vestibule. The gallery should be reduced in size, and the headway under it increased. The floor of the stage should be constructed of fire-resisting materials. The external walls are in certain places of insufficient thickness. Having regard to those and other objectionable features of the design, your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have to report that they have carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Castle (late Godfrey's) Music-hall, in Castle-street, Camberwell-road, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. This is a small Hall, at the rear of the "Castle" Public-house, No. 188, Camberwell-road, at the corner of Castle-street. The Hall is 37 feet long, by about 22 feet 6 inches wide, and contains sitting accommodation for about 150 persons. The principal entrance to the Hall is in Castle-street, by a door-way 6 feet wide, opening into a lobby, on the North side of which are two door-ways leading to the Hall. There is also an entrance to the stalls through the bar of the Public-house. There is a stage at the Northern end of the Hall, about 6 feet deep, with a trap-door in the floor, from which there is a step ladder leading to the basement of the Public-house. At the Southern end of the Hall is a gallery over the entrance lobby, but that gallery is not used. The basement floor of the Public-house extends under a portion of the Hall. Having considered the Report and accompanying Drawings, prepared by your Superintending Architect, your Committee are of opinion that the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That the floor of so much of the Music-hall, and of the floor under the stage, as extends over the basement storey of the "Castle" Public-house, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and that no opening be formed in the floor of the Hall communicating with such basement storey.

2.—That the door-way on the East side of the Hall, communicating with the Public-house, be stopped up with brickwork the full thickness of the wall in which such door-way is situated; or, as an alternative, that such door-way be fitted with a wrought-iron door not less than one fourth of an inch thick in the panel, in a wrought-iron frame, hung so as to close of itself without a spring.

3.—That the front of the gallery over the entrance lobby be removed, and the opening in the floor of such gallery stopped up.

4.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards.

Your Committee recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee have also to report that they have carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Co-operative Hall in Powis-street, Woolwich, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. The Hall, which belongs to the Royal Arsenal Co-operative Society (Limited), is situated on the first floor of No. 96, Powis-street, the ground floor of which is in the occupation

of Messrs. H. Pryce and Son, printers, and is used by them in their business. The Hall is about 60 feet long, and 25 feet wide, and will probably seat about 350 persons. It is licensed for music and dancing, and also for the performance of stage plays. There is a raised stage at the Southern end of the Hall, about 18 feet deep, which is furnished with footlights and scenery. The approach to the Hall is by a flight of steps at the North-West angle, with a door-way at the foot leading out of Powis-street. The steps are of wood, and the door-way is 4 feet wide, having doors opening inwards. The Hall is lighted by windows next Powis-street, and by sky-lights in the roof. Having had under consideration the result of the survey of the premises made by your Superintending Architect, your Committee are of opinion that the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That the whole of the floor of the Hall, together with the two cloak-rooms, one on the East and the other on the West side of the Hall, and the floor of the stage, and of the lobby and water-closet at the rear thereof, be rendered fire-resisting, in a manner to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

2.—That the present staircase to the Hall be removed, and be re-placed by a new staircase; that such new staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

3.—That an additional staircase be constructed on the East side of the Hall leading directly into Powis-street; that such staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the windows next Powis-street be protected by wrought-iron guard bars $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch diameter to a height of six feet from the floor.

5.—That the two fire-places be protected by iron wire guards fixed in front of such fire-places.

6.—That the partition enclosing the dressing-room on the West side of the stage be removed, or that such dressing-room be enclosed with a partition formed of fire-resisting materials, and be lighted and ventilated to the satisfaction of the Board.

7.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by iron wire guards fixed on the outside of such skylights.

8.—That a hydrant be provided in the Hall, in a position to be approved by the Board, and that such hydrant be connected with the Water Company's high pressure main by a 3-inch pipe, and be furnished with one 40-feet length of hose, with fittings of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade pattern.

9.—That the entrance doors next Powis-street be made to open outwards.

Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee have further to report that they have carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Crown Music-hall, No. 44, Clerkenwell-green, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. The Hall is situated on the level of the first floor of the "Crown" Public-house, on the North side of Clerkenwell-green. It is about 30 feet long, by about 23 feet wide, and has a superficial area of 675 feet. At the rear of the Public-house on the same floor as the Hall is a Club-room, 22 feet long by 14 feet wide. This room is approached by the same staircase as that which serves for access to the Hall. The entrance to the Hall is in Clerkenwell-close, by a door-way 5 feet wide, opening into a passage-way on the West side of the Public-house bar. At the end of the passage is a vestibule about 13 feet long and 10 feet wide, out of which the wooden staircase communicating with the Hall and the Club-room leads. The premises have been surveyed by your Superintending Architect, and your Committee, after considering his Report, are of opinion that the following alterations of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That a brick wall 9 inches thick, without openings, be built on the South side of the entrance passage out of Clerkenwell-close, to separate such passage from the bar of the "Crown" Public-house, and that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the walls of the basement storey of such Public-house.

2.—That the floor of such entrance passage, together with the floor of the lobby on the North side thereof, and the floor of the staircase-hall and lavatory adjoining, be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

3.—That the present staircase to the Hall be removed, and be re-placed by a new staircase; that such new staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6 inch risers, 4 feet wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the floor of the Music-hall, and of the lobby to the same, and the

floor of the club-room and lavatory, be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

5.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

6.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards.

In order to give effect to these views, your Committee beg to recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observation thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. P. R. Conron, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary skating rink erected in Finchley-new-road, Hampstead, at the corner of Goldhurst-terrace; referred by the Board on the 26th March last (No. 58). The building was first approved in May, 1876, and the License has been renewed from time to time, the last occasion being in September, 1884, for a period of one year. The District Surveyor states that the structural condition of the building, which is not licensed by the Justices, is satisfactory as regards stability and general state of repair. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of one year, from the 21st May, 1886, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee beg to submit herewith two Reports which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under Magistrates' Orders at the premises therein mentioned, the same being Dangerous Structures, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrates to be done at the following premises, the same being Dangerous Structures, viz.—

No. 97, Columbia-road, Bethnal-green.

No. 15, Short's-gardens, St. Giles-in-the-Fields.

Your Committee have had before them the Letter from Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor, relative to the erection by Mr. J. Hutchings, of a wood and iron pent roof in front of No. 97, Drummond-road, Bermondsey, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that road, and contrary to the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 67). The structure extends over the entire forecourt of the shop, and consists of a corrugated iron roof covering, open on three sides, and supported in front upon three wooden posts. Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor that the attention of the Vestry of Bermondsey should be called to the erection, in order that, if they consider it desirable, they may have the general line of frontage decided, and take proceedings against the builder. Your Committee recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, stating that posts had been erected in Harroway-road and Holman-road, and two hoardings in Buckton-street, as shown on the Plan enclosed in the Letter, referred by the Board on the 12th February last (No. 8). The Board, on the 19th March last (No. 10), instructed their Solicitor to take proceedings against the builder, and in due course a Penal Notice was served upon him. He now represents that the buildings were erected to prevent a crowd of roughs assembling to the annoyance of the occupiers of the surrounding houses; that the road has never been dedicated to the public, and that he leaves the matter in the hands of the Board. Under these circumstances, your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter at present, and that the substance of the Solicitor's Report be communicated to the District Board.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, stating that it had been reported to them that Mr. J. Watts, of Merton-road, Wandsworth, was proceeding with the erection of houses abutting upon the public footpath which connects Southfields-roads with West-hill-road, Wandsworth, without widening the footpath to 20 feet, or setting back the buildings 10 feet from the centre, referred by the Board on the 13th February, 1885 (No. 10), and the further Letter from the District Board, stating that Mr. Elsdon, of Abbeyville-road, Clapham, was proceeding with the erection of buildings in West-hill-road, abutting upon the footpath leading to Southfields-road, notwithstanding the refusal by this Board of their consent to the erection of the buildings, referred by the Board on the 25th September, 1885 (No. 98). The Board instructed their Solicitor to serve a Penal Notice, and also, if necessary, to take out a Summons; the case was heard at the Wandsworth Police-court on the 4th instant, when the Magistrate dismissed the Summons, on the ground that the space between the wall and the fence was not the "space left in front" of the house, as mentioned in the Act, and also on the ground that the fence complained of was erected prior to the passing of the Act of 1878. The Magistrate refused to grant a Case, and allowed the Defendant £2 2s. costs. Your Committee recommend—

That no further action be taken in the matter, and that the District Board be informed of the facts of the case, and that a Cheque for £2 2s. be drawn, for the costs allowed by the Magistrate.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to proceedings taken by him with reference to the construction of a flue at a house in Ravenshaw-street, Hampstead, and asking the opinion of the Board as to the advisability of an appeal against the Magistrate's decision, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 55). The District Surveyor took proceedings under Sec. 20 of the Building Act, but on the hearing the Summons was dismissed with £2 2s. for costs. Mr. Blashill asks whether the Board will support him in appealing against the decision by taking the case to a Superior Court. Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor that it is not a sufficiently important case in which to incur the cost of an appeal, especially as the Magistrate seems to have practically decided the case on a question of fact. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Blashill be informed that the Board deem it inexpedient to appeal against the decision of the Magistrate.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. V. J. Grose, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a wooden building on the forecourt of No. 99, Euston-road, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings in that road, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 81). A small wooden structure about seven feet square, roofed with felt, has been placed inside the area railings of the forecourt of No. 99, Euston-road, and is used as a Coffee-stall. Your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. A. Moseley, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of dwelling-houses, by Messrs. Gibbs and Flew, in a new road leading out of North-end-road, Fulham, the Plan for the formation of such road not having been approved by the Board, referred on the 7th instant (No. 86). The Board, on the 6th March, 1885, granted their sanction to the formation of the road, but directed that the formal approval should be withheld until the road authorised by the Cromwell-road Bridge Act, 1884, which formed part of the scheme, had been completed to the satisfaction of the Board. It now appears that the road referred to in the Act has not been formed, or even commenced; and that Messrs. Gibbs and Flew have begun building operations in a part of the new road leading out of North-end-road, which does not appear to have two entrances nor direct communication between two streets. Your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from Mr. T. W. Willis, District Surveyor, asking the Board to afford him legal assistance in obtaining the removal of a wooden porch at "Wildcroft," Putney-heath, Putney, erected contrary to the Resolution of the Board of the 5th March last (No. 72), referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 71). Your Committee are informed that there is no general line of frontage in the thoroughfare, and that it is therefore impracticable for the Board to take any proceedings against the builder. Your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Willis be so informed.

In accordance with the reference made to them on Friday last (No. 80), your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, requesting the Board to take proceedings for enforcing compliance with the condition as to the surrender to the public of the ground between the shop at No. 835, Old Kent-road, and the public way, in accordance with their Resolution of the 19th March last (No. 54). The Board sanctioned the application upon condition that the applicant surrendered to the public the ground separating the proposed shop from the public way, and the Vestry now state that he refuses to comply with the condition. Your Committee recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. F. Hards, on behalf of Mr. J. Holding, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of buildings at the Stowage, Deptford, in the position and to the line shown thereon, referred by the Board on the 9th ultimo (No. 67). The Greenwich District Board have arranged to purchase the piece of land shown by Blue colour on the Plan, and the road-way will thus be increased in width to extent of about 7 feet. The land which was formerly covered with buildings is now vacant, and the applicant asks for the sanction of the Board to the new building line. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 21st May, 1886, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground, shown by Blue colour on the amended Plan, separating the proposed buildings from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan, signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. E. B. I'Anson, on behalf of the Trustees of the Bowyer Estate, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of High-street, Clapham, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 53). On the 5th March last, the Board declined to sanction the formation of the road, as the application did not proceed from the Owner, and a barrier existed at the outlet into Station-road. The present application proceeds from the Trustees of the Estate, and your Committee are of opinion that it may be sanctioned on certain conditions. They accordingly recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the road be formed as shown on the amended Plan signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and that the applicant do satisfy the Solicitor as to his ownership of all the land required for the formation of Station-road 40 feet in width throughout, and also on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the new road and Station-road, and that the name "Vernon-road, S.W.," be approved for the new road.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. O. Milne, on behalf of Lord Walsingham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings next the Bath Hotel, and abutting upon Piccadilly and Arlington-street, with the several projections shown upon the Plans accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 67). It is proposed to erect an extensive range of buildings upon the site of existing houses between the Green-park and Arlington-street, with frontages to Piccadilly, Arlington-street and the Park. There will be projecting bays

and porches, some of them several storeys in height. The posts and chains enclosing the spaces next the Piccadilly frontage will be removed, but the use of the land will be retained for pavement lights. The adjoining Owner objects to the Plan, and your Committee, having heard the parties interested, recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the Report by your Superintending Architect, relative to the decease of Mr. S. Wood, District Surveyor for the District of Chelsea, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 39). In connection with the subject, your Committee have also considered Letters from Mr. A. Bovill, District Surveyor for St. Pancras, North, and Mr. C. Foulsham, District Surveyor for Bromley, applying to be appointed to the vacant District; and the Letter from Mr. W. A. Large, District Surveyor for the Belgrave and Pimlico Division of St. George, Hanover-square, suggesting a slight alteration of boundary of his District and the vacant District of Chelsea, so as to equalise somewhat the two Districts, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 51); and the Letter from Mr. C. T. Hayward, District Surveyor for the District of St. Giles and St. George, Bloomsbury, applying for the appointment; referred by the Board on the 14th instant (No. 60). The late Mr. S. Wood acted as District Surveyor for 30 years, having been appointed to the District of Putney and Roehampton in 1856, and transferred to Chelsea in 1862. The gross Fees received from the District of Chelsea in 1884 amounted to £742, and your Committee have arrived at the conclusion that the District should be divided into two portions, the boundary being a line drawn along the centre of King's-road and Sloane-square. Your Committee see no reason for departing from the usual course for filling the vacancies, and they recommend—

That the District of Chelsea be divided into two portions, to be designated North Chelsea and South Chelsea respectively; that the former District do consist of that portion of the Parish to the Northward of a line drawn along the centre of King's-road and Sloane-square, and the latter of that portion of the Parish to the Southward of such line; that the usual course be taken for filling the vacancies in the office of District Surveyors for such Districts; that Advertisements be issued inviting Candidates for the appointments, and that the Board do proceed to the election on Friday, the 4th June next.

Your Committee have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 5th February last (No. 30), referring to your Committee, for consideration and report, your Solicitor's Report stating that, in accordance with the instruction given to him by your Committee, he had attended at the inquest relative to the falling of houses in course of demolition in Holloway-road, and that the Jury had, in a rider to their verdict, recommended that the Board should procure powers so that the District Surveyors should have control over the pulling down of old houses, as well as the erection of new ones. Your Committee have also had before them the Letter from the Coroner's Clerk, with a copy of the verdict of the Jury, referred by the Board on the 12th February last (No. 34), and also the Letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting a Letter from the Coroner, with the verdict of the Jury, and requesting the Board's observations thereon; referred by the Board on the 12th February last (No. 41). The Board have at present no jurisdiction over the demolition of buildings in the Metropolis, and your Committee being desirous of ascertaining the views of the Vestries and District Boards, and also of the District Surveyors, they addressed to each of them a Letter asking for information as to the defects of the existing law, and the necessity for further legislation. Replies have been received from 30 Vestries and District Boards, and from 52 of the District Surveyors. A majority of the Vestries and District Boards express the opinion that the erection of hoardings, and other works in connection with the demolition of buildings should be regulated by the Local Authority for the District, and that notice should be given to the Surveyor to the Vestry. The District Surveyor's Association have forwarded Resolutions signed by 49 District Surveyors to the effect that legislation should be directed only to the safety of the public, and that

Bye-laws to regulate the mode of demolition would be practically inoperative. The Association are of opinion that seven days' notice of demolition of buildings in close proximity to a public thoroughfare should be given to the Board by the Owner or his Agent, and that the Board should require the District Surveyor to report, as in the case of Dangerous Structures. Your Committee, having carefully considered the whole subject, are of opinion that any legislation which may be applied for should have for its object the conferring of compulsory powers upon the Vestries and District Boards, so far as regards the erection of hoardings for the safety of the public; and they accordingly recommend—

That, in the event of any further application being made by the Board to Parliament, compulsory powers be sought for enabling the Vestries and District Boards to require hoardings to be erected to their satisfaction before the demolition of buildings is commenced.

Your Committee have had before them the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, stating that it had been reported to them that the party-wall of a house in Leathwaite-road, Battersea, had been blown down on the 8th March last, and that a house in Santos-road, West-hill, Wandsworth, had fallen on the 28th January last, and calling attention to the matters with the view of enquiry being made as to the nature of the materials used in the construction of the buildings; referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 52). The wall in Leathwaite-road has since been soundly rebuilt in cement, and the house is completed. The fall of the house in Santos-road was caused by the circumstance that a builder had cut a trench for the purpose of laying a drain, at a lower level than the concrete under the footings of the wall. In both cases, the District Surveyor has reported that the building materials were excellent. Your Committee recommend—

That the substance of the Superintending Architect's Report on the subject be communicated to the Wandsworth District Board in reply to their Letter.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for the permission of this Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron school building erected at Westow-hill, Upper Norwood, referred by the Board on the 12th March last (No. 83.) The building was first approved in July, 1877, and the License has been renewed from time to time. The District Surveyor reports that the framing of the building appears to be substantially sound. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of two years, from the 21st instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Whitechapel District Board, relative to the covering in of the yard and the erection of a wooden structure at the rear of No. 5, Fieldgate-street, Whitechapel, referred by the Board on the 9th ultimo (No. 66). Your Committee have had before them a Report by Mr. S. S. Markham, Deputy District Surveyor for Whitechapel, stating that the structure has been entirely removed in consequence of the action taken by him in the matter. Your Committee recommend—

That the Whitechapel District Board be so informed.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. E. Sinnott, on behalf of Mr. Siggins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of cottages on the North-East side of Harrington-hill, Mount-pleasant-hill, Hackney, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 58). It appears that two cottages formerly occupied part of the site upon which the applicant is desirous of erecting three cottages, with an advanced frontage of 9 feet. The proposed buildings will, however, be in a line with the adjoining houses. The Hackney District Board offer no objection. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen

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months from the 21st May, 1886, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. A. W. Tanner, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a one-storey shop addition in front of No. 132, New-cross-road (the "Hope Pole" Beer-house), Deptford, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the Letter without the consent of the Board, referred by the Board on the 12th March last (No. 71). When the matter was previously before your Committee, they directed that a communication should be addressed to the Greenwich District Board, asking for their opinion with respect to the erection. In the result the District Board requested your Superintending Architect to define the line of frontage, which he has accordingly done, to the effect that the shop in question is in advance of the line. Your Committee are of opinion that the matter should now be left in the hands of the District Board, and they recommend—

That Mr. Tanner be informed of the course taken.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. F. Eggar, on behalf of Mr. G. L. P. Eyre, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 79 and 81, Goldhawk-road, Shepherd's-bush, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 70). The proposed shops will project 6 feet in advance of the main wall of the house. It is also intended to remove the forecourt railing, and to throw open the remaining portion of the forecourt not built upon, but it is not clear that the applicant proposes to give up the space to form part of the public way. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. Eve, on behalf of Mr. R. Clarence, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses at the corner of Whistler-street and Drayton-park, Highbury, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 74). Your Committee consider the proposal objectionable, as the houses will be in advance of the general line of buildings on the East side of the Southern entrance to Whistler-street, and also in advance of the two houses, Nos. 54 and 56, Drayton-park. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. Harbrow, on behalf of Miss P. Granville, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Chapel at the rear of Normand House, Normand-lane, Fulham, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 83). It is proposed to erect the Chapel in the grounds at the rear of the house, and within 12 feet of the main building, with which it is proposed to be connected with a corridor. The Chapel varies but little in construction from other buildings of the same class. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, for a period of Two years, from the 21st instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of stables by Messrs. Scantlebury and Co. at the rear of houses in Fordwych-road, Kilburn, approached by a narrow way 15 feet in width, out of Garlinge-road, Edgware-road, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 88). The stables will have entrances from the gardens of the houses as well as by a private road 15 feet wide, leading out of Garlinge-road. Your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Blashill be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. Webster, on behalf of Mr. A. C. Hoile, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows above the ground-floor level of two shops in Malpas-road and two shops in Brockley-road, Greenwich, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 63). The Board in March last approved of the erection of two shops at the corner of Shardiloes-road and Brockley-road. The applicant is now desirous of erecting bay-windows, projecting 15 inches beyond the external face of the wall, at the first floor level of two of the shops which front upon Malpas-road, and of two which front upon Brockley-road. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months and be completed within Eighteen months from the 21st May, 1886, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

The Board on Friday last (No. 69), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. J. Myring, on behalf of Mr. H. Wharton, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a wood, iron and glass porch in front of No. 10, Blenheim-road, St. John's-wood, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. The porch will project over the front steps, and is to be constructed of wood, iron and glass. Your Committee consider the proposal objectionable, and recommend—

That the application be not granted.

In accordance with the reference by the Board of Friday last (No. 73), your Committee have considered the application of Mr. E. Gregg, on behalf of Dr. Barnardo, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected at the rear of No. 193, Bow-road, Bow. The building was sanctioned for two years in April, 1884. The District Surveyor states that the building is in good repair. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, for a period of Two years from the 21st instant, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Hampstead, relative the formation, by Messrs. Baker and Sons, of roads leading out of Fortune-green-lane, and asking the Board to re-consider their approval on the 5th March last (No. 13), of the formation and names of such roads, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 75). The Vestry appear to be of opinion that the right-of-way to the gates of the Hampstead Cemetery will be affected by the formation of the new roads, and they also consider that the classical names of the roads are unsuited to a rural district. On the 14th January last, the Vestry informed the Board that they did not object to the application, and as the matter was fully considered at the time, your Committee recommend—

That the attention of the Vestry be directed to their Letter, dated 14th January last, expressing their approval of the amended application, and that they be informed that the Board are unable to depart from the decision arrived at in the matter.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

A. EWIN,
W. R. SELWAY,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
F. H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application of Mr. J. Wall, on behalf of Mr. R. Wallbutton, for approval by the Board of certain alterations and additions proposed to be made to the public Hall at the Deptford Conservative Club, at the rear of No. 411, New-cross-road, Deptford, be granted, upon condition that such alterations and additions be made in accordance with the amended Drawing submitted by the applicant, and presented to the Theatres and Music-halls Sub-Committee on the 11th instant, and that the wall at the Southern end of the Hall, separating such

Hall from the premises in New-cross-road be treated as a party-wall, and that any opening made in such wall be closed by an iron door, and that the District Surveyor be informed of the decision of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. G. Buckle, on behalf of Mr. J. N. Maskelyne, for approval by the Board of proposed alterations to the Egyptian Hall, in Piccadilly, as shown on the Plans, and described in the Specification accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the delay in proceeding with the works required to be done at the Foresters' Music-hall, in Cambridge-road, Bethnal-green, under the Award of the Arbitrator, be approved; and that the Solicitor be instructed to address a Letter to the Owner of the Hall, calling his attention to the delay, and informing him that unless such works be proceeded with and completed with the utmost diligence, the Board will take proceedings against him for the recovery of the penalties prescribed by the Act.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the works executed by the Owners of the Hungerford Music-hall, in Villiers-street, Strand, be accepted as a compliance with the Board's sealed Notice for remedying the structural defects of the building; that the Owners be informed accordingly, and that the Justices of Middlesex be apprised of the completion of the works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the request of Messrs. Indermaur and Brown, that the time for commencing the structural alterations required by the Board's sealed Notice to be made to Neumeyer Hall, Hart-street, Bloomsbury, may be extended to 1st June next, be complied with; and that the Owner of the Hall be informed of the application made by Messrs. Indermaur and Brown, and that the Board have assented thereto.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. F. Swynfin, on behalf of the St. James's Temperance Mission and Lecture Hall Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of certain variations from the Drawings sanctioned by the Board, for the erection of the St. James's Temperance Mission-hall, in Royal-road, Kennington, be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Mason, on behalf of Mr. C. Cordingley, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to the construction of a proposed new public Hall, to be called the Lyric Hall, to be erected on the site of Nos. 8 and 10, Broadway, Hammersmith, as shown on the Drawings accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Castle (late Godfrey's) Music Hall, in Castle-street, Camberwell-road, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878 be approved, and that in the opinion of the Board, the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That the floor of so much of the Music-hall and of the floor under the stage as extends over the basement storey of the "Castle" Public-house, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and that no opening be formed in the floor of the Hall communicating with such basement storey.

2.—That the door-way on the East side of the Hall communicating with the Public-house be stopped up with brickwork the full thickness of the wall in which such door-way is situate; or, as an alternative, that such door-way be fitted with a wrought-iron door not less than one fourth of an inch thick in the panel, in a wrought-iron frame, hung so as to close of itself without a spring.

3.—That the front of the gallery over the entrance lobby be removed, and the opening in the floor of such gallery stopped up.

4.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Co-operative Hall, in Powis-street, Woolwich, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878, be approved, and that in the opinion of the Board the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That the whole of the floor of the Hall, together with the two cloak-rooms, one on the East and the other on the West of the Hall, and the floor of the stage and of the lobby and water-closet at the rear thereof, be rendered fire-resisting in a manner to be approved by the Board and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

2.—That the present staircase to the Hall be removed and be replaced by a new staircase; that such new staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

3.—That an additional staircase be constructed on the East side of the Hall leading directly into Powis-street; that such staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the windows next Powis-street be protected by wrought-iron guard bars $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch diameter to a height of six feet from the floor.

5.—That the two fire-places be protected by iron wire guards fixed in front of such fire-places.

6.—That the partition enclosing the dressing-room on the West side of the stage be removed, or that such dressing-room be enclosed with a partition formed of fire-resisting materials, and be lighted and ventilated to the satisfaction of the Board.

7.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by iron wire guards fixed on the outside of such skylights.

8.—That a hydrant be provided in the Hall, in a position to be approved by the Board, and that such hydrant be connected with the Water Company's high pressure main by a 3-inch pipe, and be furnished with one 40-feet length of hose, with fittings of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade pattern.

9.—That the entrance doors next Powis-street be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Crown Music-hall, No. 44, Clerkenwell-green, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878, be approved, and that in the opinion of the Board the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That a brick wall 9 inches thick, without openings, be built on the South side of the entrance passage out of Clerkenwell-close, to separate such passage from the bar of the "Crown" Public-house, and that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the walls of the basement-storey of such Public-house.

2.—That the floor of such entrance passage, together with the floor of the lobby on the North side thereof, and the floor of the staircase-hall and lavatory adjoining, be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

3.—That the present staircase to the Hall be removed, and be replaced by a new staircase; that such new staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the floor of the Music-hall, and of the lobby to the same, and the floor of the club-room and lavatory, be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

5.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be

formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

6.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. P. R. Conron, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary skating rink erected in Finchley-new-road, Hampstead, at the corner of Goldhurst-terrace, be granted for a period of One year from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner and the Occupier of the Structure No. 97, Columbia-road, Bethnal-green, had failed to comply with the Orders made by James Lennox Hannay, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Worship-street Police-court, on the 10th day of March last, and the 14th day of April last, respectively, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby *resolved* and *ordered*, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the back wall of the Structure No. 97, Columbia-road, Bethnal-green, where the same is bulged and out of the upright, the return back wall, where the same is cracked and decayed, the front and side walls where they are bulged and cracked, and the washhouse wall where it is decayed and loose; and also to take down the ceilings of the Structure where the same are sunk and bulged.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure No. 15, Short's-gardens, St. Giles-in-the-Fields, had failed to comply with the Order made by James Bridge, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Bow-street Police-court on the 14th day of May instant, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby *resolved* and *ordered*, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the remaining portions of the house, No. 15, Short's-gardens, St. Giles-in-the-Fields, so far as the same are loose or otherwise defective.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. T. Williams, District Surveyor, as to the erection, by Mr. J. Hutchings, of a wood and iron pent roof in front of No. 97, Drummond-road, Bermondsey, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that road, and contrary to the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, be approved, and that the attention of the Vestry of Bermondsey be called to the matter, in order that they may, if necessary, have the line of frontage decided, and take proceedings against the builder.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be at present taken with reference to the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board informing the Board, with a view to such steps being taken in the matter as they may deem expedient, of the recent erection of some posts in Harroway-road and Holman-road, and of two hoardings in Buckton-street, as shown on the Plan enclosed ; and that the substance of the Solicitor's Report on the subject be communicated to the District Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no further action be taken against the builder in respect of a house in West-hill-road, Wandsworth, the flank wall of which abuts upon Southfields-passage, and that the Wandsworth District Board be informed of the facts of the case, in reply to their Letters ; and also that a Cheque for £2 2s. be drawn, being the costs of the Defendant allowed by the Magistrate.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, as to proceedings taken by him with reference to the construction of a flue at a house in Ravenshaw-street, Hampstead, and asking the opinion of the Board as to the advisability of an appeal against the Magistrate's decision in the case, be approved ; and that Mr. Blashill be informed in reply to his Letter, that the Board deem it inexpedient to appeal against the decision.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report with reference to the Letter from Mr. V. J. Grose, District Surveyor, as to the erection of a wooden building on the forecourt of No. 99, Euston-road, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings in that road be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report with reference to the Letter from Mr. A. Moseley, District Surveyor, as to the erection of dwelling-houses, by Messrs. Gibbs and Flew, in a new road leading out of North-end-road, Fulham, the Plan for the formation of such new road not having been sanctioned by the Board, be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. T. W. Willis, District Surveyor, asking the Board to afford him legal assistance in obtaining the removal of a wooden porch at " Wildcroft," Putney-heath, Putney, erected contrary to the Resolution of the Board of the 5th March last (No. 72) ; and that Mr. Willis be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, requesting the Board to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance with the condition as to the surrender to the public of the ground between the shop at No. 835, Old Kent-road, and the public way, in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 9th March last (No. 54) be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, and to apply for a Summons, if necessary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. F. Hards, on behalf of Mr. J. Holding, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of buildings at the Stowage, Deptford, in the position and to the line shown thereon, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground, shown by Blue colour on the amended Plan, separating the proposed buildings from the public way, be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan, signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. E. B. T'Anson, on behalf of the Trustees of the Bowyer Estate, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a road to lead out of High-street, Clapham, be granted, upon condition that the road be formed 'as shown on the amended Plan signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and that the applicant do satisfy the Solicitor as to his ownership of all the land required for the formation of Station-road 40 feet in width throughout, and also on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the new road and Station-road, and that the name "Vernon-road, S.W.," be approved for the new road.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. W. O. Milne, on behalf of Lord Walsingham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings, next the Bath Hotel, and abutting upon Piccadilly and Arlington-street, with the several projections shown upon the Plans accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the vacancy in the office of District Surveyor for the District of Chelsea, caused by the death of Mr. S. Wood, be approved, and that the District be divided into two portions, to be designated "North Chelsea" and "South Chelsea" respectively; that the former District do consist of that portion of the Parish to the Northward of a line drawn along the centre of King's-road and Sloane-square, and the latter District of that portion of the Parish to the Southward of such line; that the usual course be taken for filling the vacancies in the office of District Surveyors for such Districts; that Advertisements be issued inviting Candidates for the appointments, and that the Board do proceed to the election on Friday, the 4th June next.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Mossop, and seconded by Mr. Urquhart—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, there were for it 20, against it 25; and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That so much of the Report as relates to the verdict arrived at by the Coroner's Jury as to the fall of houses in course of demolition in Holloway-road, be approved; and that, in the event of any further application being made to Parliament by the Board, compulsory powers be sought for enabling the Vestries and District Boards to require that hoardings be erected to their satisfaction before the demolition of buildings is commenced.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Report with reference to the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, as to the fall of the party-wall of a house in Leathwaite-road, Battersea, and of a house in Santos-road, West-hill, Wandsworth, be approved, and that the substance of the Superintending Architect's Reports on the subject be communicated to the District Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for the permission of this Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron school building erected at Westow-hill, Upper Norwood, be granted for a period of Two years, from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Whitechapel District

Board be informed, in reply to their Letter relative to the covering in of the yard, and the erection of a wooden structure at the rear of No. 5, Fieldgate-street, White-chapel, that the building in question has now been removed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. E. Sinnott, on behalf of Mr. Siggins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of cottages on the North-East side of Harrington-hill, Mount-pleasant-hill, Hackney, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. A. W. Tanner, District Surveyor, as to the erection of a one-storey shop addition in front of No. 132, New-cross-road ("The Hop Pole" Beer-house), Deptford, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the Letter, without the consent of the Board be approved, and that Mr. Tanner be informed of the course taken.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. F. Eggar, on behalf Mr. G. L. P. Eyre, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 79 and 81, Goldhawk-road, Shepherd's-bush, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. Eve, on behalf of Mr. R. Clarence, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses at the corner of Whistler-street and Drayton-park, Highbury, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. Harbrow, on behalf of Miss P. Granville, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Chapel at the rear of Normand House, Normand-lane, Fulham, be granted for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of a stable by Messrs. Scantlebury and Co., at the rear of houses in Fordwych-road, Kilburn, approached by a narrow way 15 feet in width, out of Garlinge-road, Edgware-road, and that Mr. Blashill be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Webster, on behalf of Mr. A. C. Hoile, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows above the ground-floor level of two shops in Malpas-road and two shops in Brockley-road, Greenwich, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Myring, on behalf of Mr. H. Wharton, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a wood, iron and glass porch in front of No. 10, Blenheim-road, St. John's-wood, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. E. Gregg, on behalf of Dr. Barnardo, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron building erected at the rear of No. 193,

Bow-road, Bow, be granted, for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Vestry of Hampstead, as to the formation by Messrs. Baker and Sons, of roads leading out of Fortune-green-lane, and asking the Board to re-consider their decision approving of the formation and names of such roads, be approved; that the attention of the Vestry be directed to their Letter of 14th January last, expressing their approval of the amended application, and that they be informed that the Board are unable to depart from the decision at which they have arrived on the subject.

11. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 18th May, 1886.

Your Committee having been for some time engaged in discussing with the Hackney District Board and the Tottenham Local Board of Health the provisions of the Lee River Purification Bill, promoted by the Hackney District Board, and having arrived at what they hope will be considered a satisfactory settlement of the question, now think it desirable to make a Report of their proceedings to the Board. The object of the Hackney District Board in promoting the Bill has been to prevent the pollution of the River Lee in summer by the Sewage of Tottenham, a pollution which, during the very dry summer of last year, when the water in the Lee was unusually low, was productive of great nuisance and discomfort to the inhabitants of Hackney, if not of injury to health. The Board will perhaps remember that last October a Letter was received from the Hackney District Board, suggesting, as a temporary measure for preventing the pollution of the River Lee by the Tottenham Sewage, that the Board should allow a connection to be made between the Tottenham Sewage works and the Board's Hackney-marsh Sewer at Spring-hill, Upper Clapton, and that the Sewage of Tottenham should thus be allowed to pass into the Metropolitan system. The Committee to which this Letter was referred having consulted your Solicitor, came to the conclusion that it was not within the Board's statutory power to allow the Sewage of Tottenham to pass into the Metropolitan Sewers, and it appeared to your Committee at that time that there were reasons which rendered it inexpedient to propose to the legislature such a temporary and imperfect remedy for the evil complained of by the inhabitants of Hackney. The Board, agreeing with the conclusions of your Committee, informed the Hackney District Board to that effect. The District Board, however, feeling strongly that the inhabitants of Hackney ought not to be exposed another year to the chance of the River Lee being in a condition similar to that of last summer, prepared and deposited the Bill which has recently been the subject of discussion. By the Bill it was proposed that a Sewer should be made, and maintained either by the Hackney District Board or the Tottenham Local Board, but at the expense of the latter, under the towing-path of the River Lee, from the Tottenham Sewage works to the Metropolitan Sewer at Spring-hill above referred to, and that the Tottenham Sewage should thus be allowed to pass into the Metropolitan system. The Board upon its first consideration of this Bill was of opinion that it could not consent to the proposal it contained. The Board was then dealing itself with the exceedingly difficult question of the purification of the Sewage of London, and was of opinion that it would not be wise, considering the enormous quantity of Sewage matter to be dealt with, to increase this quantity by adding to it the Sewage of Tottenham. It was, moreover, of opinion that the method of purification which might be adopted for the enormous volume of London Sewage might with greater facility be applied by the Tottenham Local Board to the treatment of the much smaller quantity of Sewage with which that body had to deal. The Board accordingly presented a Petition against the Bill promoted by the Hackney District Board, and proposed to

appear in opposition to it. The Bill was read a second time by the House of Commons, and the Hackney District Board wrote on February 25th to ask that a Deputation might be allowed to attend your Committee to discuss the provisions of the Bill. The Board having authorised your Committee to receive the Deputation, they have since that time been in continual communication, both by personal conference and by Letter, with the Hackney District Board and also with the Tottenham Local Board. Your Committee could not but recognise the great importance to the people of Hackney of preventing the continued pollution of the River which adjoins their District, and admit the reasonableness of the anxiety shown by the District Board to come to some arrangement which would prevent a recurrence of the danger to health to which the inhabitants were subjected last summer. Your Committee accordingly entered into the conference with the fullest desire to assist, as far as possible consistently with the interests of the Metropolis, the attainment of the object which the District Board and the people of Hackney had at heart, feeling sure that such a course would meet with the approval of the Board. They have now the satisfaction of stating that an arrangement has been arrived at acceptable to all the parties, and that the Bill, which was to have been opposed both by the Board and the Tottenham Local Board, is now before the House of Commons as an unopposed measure. The conditions upon which your Committee, acting on behalf of the Board, came to the conclusion that the Bill might be allowed to proceed, are as follows—

That the discharge of crude Sewage matter into the Board's Sewers should be, as far as possible, prevented.

That the effluent water from the Tottenham Sewage works should be allowed to enter the Board's Sewers only during four months of the year in which the warmest weather prevails.

That the standard of purity of the effluent water should be specified in the Bill; that if the effluent water fell at any time below this standard, the Tottenham Local Board should be liable to pay to the Board, in addition to the other payments provided for in the Bill, and mentioned below, the sum of £3 for each day on which the purity of the effluent water should be below the standard, or a sum of £6 a day if the impurity should be so great as to fall below a second standard specified in the Bill.

That, as an alternative to the last mentioned condition, the Board's Officers should be empowered to shut off the effluent water from the Board's Sewers whenever it might appear expedient to the Board's Engineer to do so. This power of shutting off the Tottenham waters was especially to be exercised during times of flood—that is to say, of heavy rain.

That the Tottenham Local Board should execute such works at such places as the Board's Engineer might consider necessary, and that the works should be done to his satisfaction.

That the Board and its Officers should have full power to enter upon the works of the Tottenham Local Board at any time to ascertain the character of the effluent water.

That the duration of the arrangement should be limited to three years, subject, however, to an extension of this period to five years if the Board should consider it expedient.

That the Tottenham Local Board should pay to the Board a sum of £1,000 a year so long as the arrangement might last, being £450 a year in respect of the use of the Board's Sewers and outfalls, and £550 a year in respect of the cost of pumping and dealing with the effluent water from Tottenham.

That any question in dispute should be referred to an Arbitrator to be appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Your Committee, in conclusion, venture to express the hope that the arrangement made by them with regard to the Bill will receive the approval of the Board.

The Board, on the 21st April, resolved to present a Petition to the House of Lords against the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill, with a view to obtaining, if possible, a reversal of the decision of the House of Commons Committee, that the Board should pay one-half of the expense to be incurred annually by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, in maintaining the new roads at Hyde-park-corner, which it was decided should be under the control of that Vestry. It appears to your Committee that the question should be fully argued before the Select Committee of the House of Lords, and for that purpose they recommend—

That two Counsel be instructed to appear in support of the Board's Petition.

Your Committee are under the necessity of calling the Board's attention to the Fire Brigade Expenses Bill promoted by the Board, and now before the House of Commons. The Bill provides that the Board may in future, as part of the Consolidated Rate, raise for the working expenses of the Fire Brigade a sum equal to what would be produced by a penny in the pound on the ratable annual value of property, and that the Fire Insurance Companies' shall in future contribute £40 instead of £35 per million of the gross amounts insured by them. Your Committee regret to find that the Bill has, ever since its introduction into the House of Commons, been persistently blocked by Members of the House, who object to the contributions of the Fire Insurance Companies being increased, and that there has been no opportunity, nor is there likely to be one, of the Board obtaining from the House an expression of opinion whether the Bill is one that should be read a second time. Your Committee consider this position of the matter very unsatisfactory. It occurred to them that the only way of removing the dead-lock, and of getting the Bill brought forward for discussion was to ask for the assistance of the Government. With that view your Committee waited upon Mr. Childers, the Secretary of State for the Home Department, and to their regret they found that he was strongly opposed to the Board's proposal to raise more money from the Insurance Companies. This declaration of his opinion shows that it is futile for the Board to expect any assistance from the Government, either in supporting the Bill as it stands or in bringing it forward for discussion. Your Committee think, therefore, that the time has arrived when the Board should re-consider its position with respect to the question. The Board by its previous Resolutions, and by its action in introducing this and a former Bill for the same purpose, has made manifest its opinion that further funds are required for the Fire Brigade, and, indeed, the best evidence of this need is shown by the annual deficit which the Fire Brigade Accounts reveal. It appears to your Committee that, as the Government is opposed to the Board's proposal to raise more money from the Insurance Companies, but quite approves of the proposal to increase the rating power, the Board may come to the conclusion that the provision relating to the Fire Insurance Companies' contributions should be withdrawn, and that the remainder of the Bill should be proceeded with, so that the Board may be relieved this year of the difficulty in which it now is with respect to the Fire Brigade finances. This is the course which commends itself to your Committee under the circumstances, and they recommend—

That the Board do withdraw that part of the Bill by which it is proposed to increase the Fire Insurance Companies' contributions.

In accordance with a Resolution of the Board of 21st April, a Petition was presented to the House of Commons against the Bexley-heath Railway Bill, with a view to obtaining the insertion of a Clause providing that the width and formation of a road proposed in the Bill, and the construction of the Sewer, should be subject to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act. The Promoters are willing to insert a Clause to the effect, and your Committee recommend—

That, upon the usual undertaking being given, the Board's Petition be withdrawn.

The Southwark and Vauxhall Water Bill, which has been read a third time in the

House of Commons, and which will now go before the House of Lords, contains a Clause empowering the Company to affix apparatus to prevent and detect waste of water, and for that purpose to break up and interfere with roads, sewers and drains. It appears to your Committee that this power should be accompanied by a provision for the protection of the Board's sewers, and, with that view, they recommend—

That a Petition be presented against the Bill.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W. R. SELWAY,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
JOHN TOLHURST,
GEO. EDWARDS,
ROBT. JONES,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the arrangement made by the Committee with respect to the Lee River Purification Bill, promoted by the Hackney District Board, be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That two Counsel be instructed to appear in support of the Board's Petition to the House of Lords against the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, and seconded—That the Board do withdraw that part of the Fire Brigade Expenses Bill by which it is proposed to increase the Fire Insurance Companies' contributions.

An *amendment* thereon was *moved* by Mr. Cook, M.P., and seconded by Mr. Shepherd—That the further consideration of the subject be deferred until after the Whitsuntide recess.

After discussion the *amendment* was put to the vote, when there were for it 26, against it, 19; and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—26.

Abbott, J., Esq.	Mossop, C., Esq.
Andrews, W., Esq.	Munro, Colonel.
Bonthron, J., Esq.	Price, S., Esq.
Boutcher, W., Esq.	Richardson, G. B.,
Bradfield, J. E., Esq.	Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Robson, W., Esq.
Cox, F., Esq.	Saunders, J. E.,
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Esq., Deputy.
Furniss, R., Esq.	Selway, W. R.,
Garrett, W. B., Esq.	Esq.
Hill, G., Esq.	Weir, B., Esq.
James, G., Esq.	Wenborn, Captain.
Jones, R., Esq.	Wetenhall, W. J.,
Lenanton, J., Esq.	Esq.
Meaden, G. P., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Shepherd.

Against the Amendment—22.

Brown, G., Esq.	Lindsay, W. A.,
Debenham, W., Esq.	Esq.
Edwards, G., Esq.	Middlemass, A.,
Ewin, A., Esq.	Esq.
Fairclough, T. M.,	Phillips, G., Esq.
Esq.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser,
Harben, H., Esq.	Esq.
Hewitt, W. H., Esq.	Tolhurst, J., Esq.
Hughes, Col., M.P.	Urquhart, W., Esq.
Ingoldby, F., Esq.	Webster, R. G.,
Jones, J., Esq.	Esq.
Lawrence, E., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Runtz.

The *amendment* was then put as an *original motion*, when there were for it 24, against it 19, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board's Petition against the Bexley-heath Railway Bill be withdrawn, upon the Promoters giving an undertaking to insert the Clause required by the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented to the House of Lords against the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company's Bill, with a view to obtaining the insertion of a Clause for the protection of the Board's Sewers.

12. The Chairman of the Board having vacated the Chair,

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That—

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, ESQ.,

the Deputy-Chairman of the Board, be requested to take the Chair; and he took the Chair accordingly.

13. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 19th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the applications made to them by the Park Superintendents for additional labour and horse-hire in connection with the Board's Parks, Gardens, and Open Spaces, and they beg to recommend—

That the following labour and horse-hire be sanctioned in connection with the under-mentioned places—

Hackney-downs—6 labourers for 9 days, to make up footpaths and refix hurdles.

Hackney Commons—4 additional labourers for 3 months, to mow the grass and attend to trees, &c.

Western Commons—4 additional labourers for 3 months, to mow the grass and attend to trees, &c.

Clapham-common—3 extra labourers for another 2 weeks, to prepare for sowing.

Blackheath—2 extra labourers for another 2 weeks, to prepare for sowing.

Peckham-rye—3 extra labourers for another 2 weeks, to prepare for sowing.

Hampstead-heath—1 pony when required, at 4s. 6d. per day, to draw the mowing-machine on the cricket-ground, until the 30th September next.

Tooting-common—2 horses and carts for a week to remove soil.

Your Committee have to report that the following articles are required for use in Finsbury-park, six 30 feet lengths of indiarubber hose with unions complete, 3 loads of tar-paving material, £25 worth of timber for repairing plant houses, pits, frames, doors, &c., and 6 drinking cups, 12 links, 6 oil cans, 6 stable brushes, 18 pairs of butt hinges, 7 lbs. of glue, and 24 sheets of glass paper; and they recommend—

That the articles be obtained forthwith at an estimated cost of £46.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the danger to foot passengers crossing Seven Sisters'-road, opposite the Western entrance gate to Finsbury-park, by reason of the steam Trams belonging to the North London Tramways Company which run along the Seven Sisters'-road from Tottenham, and which cross the paved ways for foot passengers. In the summer time, and particularly on Sundays, large numbers of persons enter the Park by that gate; and, inasmuch as the line on which the steam Trams work ends only a few yards beyond the Park gates, your Committee consider that the Company might very well consent to stop their cars before reaching the crossings leading into the Park. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That, in the first instance, a communication stating the above facts be sent to the Company, and that they be asked to comply with the view expressed by your Committee.

Your Committee have to report that six 30-feet lengths of indiarubber hose, with unions complete, are required for use in the Victoria Embankment gardens, and they recommend—

That the hose be obtained at an estimated cost of £12.

Your Committee have received a Letter from Mr. M. Brown, suggesting that the gates of Southwark-park should be left open during the whole of the 24 hours. Your Committee are not prepared to recommend the adoption of the suggestion, and they therefore recommend the Board to concur in that view, and to inform Mr. Brown accordingly.

Your Committee have had before them an application from Mr. W. M. Venning, for permission to form a door-way, to open on to Clapham-common, in the flank wall of his premises, known as Worcester-gardens. As Mr. Venning can gain easy access to the Common from the front of his house, your Committee see no reason why the door-way, which may at any time become a source of nuisance, should be sanctioned. They therefore recommend—

That Mr. Venning's request be not complied with.

Your Committee have had before them an application from the Vestry of Fulham, asking the Board to light Eel-brook-common. The principle adopted by the Board is that an Open Space is intended for the recreation of the public during the day-time, but that if the traffic of the District across it at night necessitates the lighting the duty should be undertaken by the Local Authority. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the request of the Vestry of Fulham be not complied with for the reason above-named, and that a communication be addressed to them accordingly.

Your Committee have to report that the Keeper's Lodge on Tooting-common, which was built in 1879, and which has not, except the whitening of the ceilings, been done up internally since that date, requires to be re-papered, re-painted, and grained and varnished; and they recommend—

That the work, and also the whitening of the ceilings, be executed at a cost not exceeding £27.

Under the authority conferred on them on the 13th June, 1873 (No. 13), your Committee have authorised expenditure in connection with the following matters—

Southwark-park—Repair of a length of wall near Orange-place, and the purchase of 1 dozen mops, 14 lbs. of raffia, 6 tar brushes, 14 lbs. of tenter hooks, and 15 bundles of flower stakes.

Clapham-common—Repair of the fencing.

Finsbury-park—Repair of the entrance gates.

Wormwood-scrubs—Purchasing furniture for the keeper's watch-box.

Goose-green—Repair of the watch-box and gravelling around the same.

Tooting-common—Formation of a gully.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. E. BRADFIELD,
W^m. SHEPHERD,
GEORGE HILL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
G. P. MEADEN,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and resolved—That the under-mentioned labour and horse-hire be sanctioned—

Hackney-downs—6 labourers for 9 days, to make up footpaths and refix hurdles.

Hackney Commons—4 additional labourers for 3 months, to mow the grass and attend to trees, &c.

Western Commons—4 additional labourers for 3 months to mow the grass and attend to trees, &c.

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Hampstead-heath—1 pony when required, at 4s. 6d. per day, to draw the mowing-machine on the cricket-ground, until the 30th September next.

Tooting-common—2 horses and carts for a week to remove soil.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That six 30-feet lengths of indiarubber hose, with unions complete, 3 loads of tar-paving material, £25 worth of timber, and 6 drinking-cups, 12 links, 6 oil cans, 6 stable brushes, 18 pairs of butt hinges, 7 lbs. of glue, and 24 sheets of glass paper, be obtained for use in Finsbury-park, at a total estimated cost of £46.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do address a communication to the North London Tramways Company, whose steam line terminates near the Western entrance-gate to Finsbury-park, asking them to stop their steam trams to the East of the crossings for foot-passengers opposite the Park entrance gates in the Seven Sisters'-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That six 30-feet lengths of indiarubber hose, with unions complete, be obtained for use in the Victoria Embankment gardens, at an estimated cost of £12.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the suggestion of Mr. M. Brown that the gates of Southwark-park should be left open night and day be not complied with, and that Mr. Brown be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. M. Venning, for permission to form a door-way in the flank wall of his premises known as Worcester-gardens, to open on to Clapham-common, be not complied with.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of Fulham be informed, in reply to their Letter, that the Board are not prepared to light Eelbrook-common, as they consider that if the traffic of the District necessitates the lighting of the paths, the work should be undertaken by the Local Authority.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the interior of the keeper's lodge on Tooting-common be re-papered, painted, grained and varnished, and the ceilings whitened, at a cost not exceeding £27.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in their Report, be approved.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st May, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
CHELSEA.				
New streets, near Lower Sloane-street, Cadogan Estate {	1,060 170	12-inch 9 "	pipe "	} Recommended as applied for.
CAMBERWELL.				
York-grove, Colls-road ...	320	12 inch	pipe	Recommended as applied for.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st May, 1886, on an application from the Vestry of Paddington, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfare for the period and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1886. 18th May	St. Petersburg-place, between St. Petersburg-mews and Uxbridge-road.	Sewerage.	3 weeks	3 weeks	Moscow-road, &c.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the Vestry of Paddington, for the purpose of executing work therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st May, 1886, stating that Mr. J. M'Dougall, Surveyor, who was suffering from the effects of a cold taken whilst at work in the Board's Sewers, was still unable to attend to his duties; submitting a Medical Certificate, and recommending that a further leave of absence for one month should be granted to him.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That one month's further leave of absence be granted to Mr. M'Dougall.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st May, 1886, stating that it being urgently necessary that a new set of wooden teeth should be fitted and fixed to the pair of bevel wheels for the centrifugal pumps of the "Charon" engine at the Crossness Pumping Station, instructions had been given to Messrs. Easton and Anderson, the makers of the pumps, to execute the requisite work, at an estimated cost of £30, and asking the sanction of the Board thereto.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sanction of the Board be given to the execution of the said works, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

18. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Board's Various Powers Bill would be considered by an unopposed Committee of the House of Commons, presided over by the Chairman of Ways and Means, this day.

19. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill in the House of Commons, had been adjourned until the 24th instant.

20. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill, in the House of Commons, had been appointed for this evening, and that the Vestry of St. Pancras had presented a Petition in favour of the Bill.

21. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis), Bill (Mr. Dixon Hartland) in the House of Commons, had been further adjourned until the 30th June next, and that the Vestry of St. Pancras had presented a Petition against the Bill.

22. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the second reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill (Mr. Kimber) had been appointed for this evening, and that the Vestry of St. Pancras had presented a Petition against the Bill.

23. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the second reading in the House of Commons of the Fires Prevention, Metropolis, Bill (Mr. Spensley), had been adjourned until the 24th instant.

24. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill had been read a second time in the House of Lords on the 18th instant, and was now awaiting appointment to a Select Committee, and that the Wandsworth District Board had presented a Petition against the Bill, but not praying to be heard by Counsel.
25. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Electric Lighting Act, 1882 Amendment (No. 1) Bill (Lord Rayleigh); the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Amendment (No. 2) Bill (Lord Ashford); the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Amendment (No. 3) Bill (Lord Houghton), were further considered by a Select Committee of the House of Lords on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday last; that several more witnesses had been examined, and that the Committee would meet again this day.
26. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Lee River Purification Bill had been considered by an unopposed Committee of the House of Commons, presided over by the Chairman of Ways and Means, on Wednesday last, and passed by the Committee, and that that it was now awaiting third reading.
27. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Select Committee on the Pollution of the River Lee, had met again on Friday and Tuesday last, and that several further Witnesses had been examined, and he presented a printed copy of the evidence given on the two days, and stated that the Committee would meet again this day.
28. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the consideration of the Compulsory Purchase of Land Compensation Bill (Mr. McLaren), in Committee of the whole House of Commons had been adjourned until the 24th instant.
29. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.
It was moved by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and resolved—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.
30. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Chairman of the Board had replied to a question in the House of Commons, by Sir H. Roscoe, relative to the drainage of the Houses of Parliament, and the ventilation of the Northern Low Level Sewer under the Victoria Embankment, and to a question by Mr. Green as to overflows of Sewage matter into houses at the Isle of Dogs, and the steps taken for abating the same.
31. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that Sir H. Selwin-Ibbetson had asked the Home Secretary a question relative to the recent fire in Beak-street, and the evidence given by Captain Shaw and Superintendent Palmer before the Coroner at the inquest, and whether the time had not come when the rate for the Fire Brigade should be raised to one penny in the pound, and whether he was prepared to recommend to Parliament, in the interests and for the safety of the public, that the additional rating should be granted by Statute to this Board, and that Mr. Childers had stated, in reply, that he had no control over or knowledge of the details of the management of the Fire Brigade, but that this Board were aware that he was favourable to the limit of a halfpenny for the Fire Brigade Rate being raised, as proposed in the Bill now before Parliament.
32. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the arrangements as to the Loan of £6,300 to the Commissioners for Public Baths and Wash-houses at Poplar had been duly completed, and that the Cheque had been handed over in exchange for the proper security.
33. Read Reports by the Solicitor, submitting the following documents for sealing—

Notice, in duplicate, as to structural defects in the Rosemary Branch Music-hall at Islington, prepared in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 16th April last (No. 6).

Notice, in duplicate, as to structural defects in the Griffin Music-hall, in Shoreditch High-street, prepared in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 16th April last (No. 6).

Notice, in duplicate, as to structural defects in the Kensington-hall, in Kensington-park-road, prepared in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 16th April last (No. 6.)

Conveyance by the Trustees of the Wells and Campden Charity, and others, of the premises Nos. 1 to 4, Well's-cottages, Crockett's-court, and vacant land adjoining, Hampstead, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Hampstead Improvements).

Conveyance by Mr. W. A. Maybury, of Nos. 9, 13, 15 and 17, Lower Well-alley, St. George-in-the-East, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Tench-street Scheme).

Conveyance by Mr. J. Eborall, of Nos. 54 and 56, Battersea-bridge-road, Battersea (new Battersea Bridge).

Conveyance by Mr. G. Read, and others, (Trustees of the Will of Mr. J. Bromley, deceased), of No. 23, Green-bank, and No. 26, Lower Well-alley, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Tench-street Scheme).

Conveyance by the Rev. F. A. Wodehouse, and others, (Trustees of Carter's Charity), of the premises forming part of No. 65, Crown-street, St. Giles, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road Improvement).

Lease to Mr. C. Fookes, of Nos. 16 and 17, and parts of Nos. 15 and 18, Deptford Bridge (Deptford Bridge Improvement).

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

34. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 14th instant (No. 14), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Bacon-street, &c.	...	...	...	...	Bethnal-green.
Oakley-street, &c.	...	...	...	...	Do.
Ellerdale-street, Lewisham	...	...	...	...	Lewisham.
Tudor-road, &c., Penge	...	...	...	...	Do.
Camberwell-grove (part)	...	...	...	...	Camberwell.
Priory-grove	...	...	...	...	Lambeth.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

35. The Clerk reported that Mr. H. F. Moore, an Assistant in his Department, who had been unable to attend to his duties in consequence of illness, had sent a Medical Certificate that his lung was well, but that he was now suffering from rheumatism in his right thigh and hip; that he was at present unable to walk but would shortly be able to resume his duties.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That a fortnight's further leave of absence be granted to Mr. Moore.

36. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. Bristow, Clerk to the Vestry of Greenwich, dated 14th May, 1886, requesting the Board, as a temporary measure, to make arrangements with the proprietors of the present Steam-boat Ferry at Greenwich so that passengers might use the same free of toll.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

- 37.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. E. Salway, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 13th May, 1886, stating that the suggestion made by the Vestry that the expenses incurred by them in relation to the Wedlake-street Foot-bridge over the Grand Junction Canal, should be borne by the Vestries interested, in the following manner: Chelsea two-thirds, Paddington one-sixth, and Kensington one-sixth, had been agreed to by the Vestry of Paddington, but not by the Vestry of Kensington, and requesting the Board, in accordance with Section 46 of the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1883, to determine the proportion of the expenses to be borne by the respective Vestries.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

- 38.** The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, Poor Law Parish.

Marloes-road, Kensington, W.,
14th May, 1886.

MY DEAR SIR,—The Guardians of this Parish having obtained an Order from the Local Government Board, authorising them to raise a Loan of £1,500 for the erection of additional accommodation at their infirmary in the Marloes-road, have directed me to inquire whether the Metropolitan Board of Works will be able and willing to advance them this sum within the next two or three months.

Will you kindly let me know as soon as possible, so that I may apply elsewhere if your Board should be unable: it is proposed to repay by equal annual instalments of principal and interest for thirty years.

I am, &c,
(Signed) JNO. H. RUTHERGLEN,
Clerk.

J. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

- 39.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Sir J. Humphreys, Coroner for Middlesex, dated 15th May, 1886, stating that at an inquest held by him on the body of Sarah Trowbridge, who was burnt to death at a fire in Well-street, Hackney, the Jury made a presentment to the effect that the Fire-alarm pillars were, in their opinion, placed too wide apart in the district of South Hackney, and that greater publicity should be given of their situation.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee for their information.

- 40.** The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Baylis and Pearce, dated 18th May, 1886, referring to the Board's Letter of the 17th instant, and transmitting, on behalf of Mr. E. Robinson, a Notice of his intention to construct two roads on the Highbury-place Estate, as shown on the Plans annexed to the Notice, with the view, when the roads were made, to subsequent Notices for other roads, and alleging that the Board's proposal respecting the footpath leading Northward from Highbury-place would, if carried out, be an infringement of their client's rights to use it as a carriage-road, but that their client was willing to enter into any arrangement with the Board which might be mutually advantageous.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. H. Gough, Assistant Secretary of the Thames Conservators, dated 18th May, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Report by the Harbour Master as to the condition of the water of the River on the 7th instant between London Bridge and Greenwich.

It was moved by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and resolved--That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Sir R. E. Welby, Treasury, dated 17th May, 1886, transmitting, for any observations which the Board might have to offer, the Report of the Auditor upon the Accounts of the Board for the year 1885.

It was moved by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. L. Pemberton, Home Office, dated 15th May, 1886, referring to the Board's Letters on the subject of the additional Bye-laws to regulate the use of concrete in building, and transmitting three communications, containing objections to the said Bye-laws, received by the Secretary of State, and requesting to be informed whether such objections had been considered by the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. C. Ingrey and Co., dated 17th May, 1886, suggesting that, as Mr. Godfrey had declined to undertake the Contract for the new Battersea Bridge, for the amount specified in his Tender, and had applied for an increased amount, the other competitors for the Contract should have an opportunity given them of re-considering their Estimates, and of sending in amended Tenders for the work.

It was moved by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and resolved—That Messrs. Ingrey and Co. be informed of the decision of the Board, this day, with reference to the Tenders for the construction of the Bridge.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter, dated 19th May, 1886, signed by Mr. A. A. Baumann, and three other Members of Parliament, representing the localities interested in the construction of the proposed Bridge across the Grand Surrey Canal, suggesting the desirability of the Board asking the Government to include in the Board's Money Bill a Clause authorising the construction of the Bridge, one moiety of the cost of which scheme had been promised by the Local Authorities and the adjoining owners of property.

It was moved by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

46. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Spencer, Clerk to the Greenwich District Board, dated 19th May, 1886, stating, in reply to the Board's circular Letter, that the District Board had no knowledge that any accidents had occurred in their District from the demolition of buildings in or near public thoroughfares, and that they considered that if an amendment of the law should be made, requiring notice to be given in all cases of such demolition of buildings and the erection of hoardings, such notice should be given to the Surveyor of the Vestry or District Board, and not to the District Surveyor; and also stating that the District Board objected to either this Board or the District Surveyors being empowered to regulate the erection of hoardings or other works in such cases.

It was moved by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and resolved—That the Greenwich District Board be informed of the Board's decision this day on the subject.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 19th May, 1886, in reply to the Board's Letter of 17th ultimo, relative to the steps taken by

them for dealing with the Metropolitan Sewage, and expressing the views of the Home Secretary thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Lushington, Home Office, dated 20th May, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Letter from the Treasury, stating that the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury considered that the Board's application for Parliamentary power to expend money in opposing Bills which appeared detrimental to the interests of ratepayers, should be given up for this year, and that the Board would do well to introduce a Bill for the purpose next year, and that the Treasury would endeavour to secure the insertion in the Board's Money Bill of a Clause for sanctioning any expenditure which the Board might this year incur in opposing the Water Bills referred to in their Letter of 19th January last.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

49. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the week ended on the 18th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.	
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.		
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.3	16.7	16.9	10.9	8.9	9.7	0.4	0.0	0.1	None	
	Camden ...	17.0	16.2	16.5	11.3	8.4	9.7	0.3	0.1	0.1		
	Dalston ...	16.9	16.4	16.6	11.1	9.4	10.3	0.1	0.0	0.0		
	Bow ...	16.8	16.3	16.6	9.9	7.5	8.1	1.4	0.8	1.0		
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.4	16.3	16.3	11.7	10.2	11.2	0.1	0.0	0.0		
	„ (Nine-elms) ...	16.9	16.5	16.7	10.7	10.0	10.3	0.2	0.0	0.1		
	Kingsland-road ...	18.0	16.6	17.7	11.7	9.7	10.7	0.0	0.0	0.0		
	Charing-cross ...	16.6	15.6	16.1	12.0	9.0	11.0	1.2	0.7	0.9		
	St. John's-wood ...	17.2	16.2	16.8	10.9	9.4	10.3	0.8	0.4	0.5		
	Lambeth-road ...	16.7	16.3	16.5	11.9	10.1	10.8	0.2	0.1	0.1		
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...				Station closed for repairs							
	Peckham ...	17.3	16.3	16.8	11.2	7.7	10.0	0.2	0.0	0.0		
	Tooley-street ...	17.6	16.0	16.7	16.0	8.4	13.6	0.2	0.0	0.0		
	Clapham ...	17.0	16.4	16.6	13.9	8.2	11.0	0.2	0.0	0.1		
	Lewisham ...	16.5	16.2	16.4	12.4	8.5	10.1	0.2	0.0	0.1		
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Old Ford ...	17.3	16.7	17.0	8.9	7.3	8.2	0.3	0.0	0.2		
	St. George-in-the- East ...	17.5	16.6	17.0	15.2	10.0	12.0	0.3	0.2	0.3		

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Anthill-road, Bow, on 15th instant, at 8.45 p.m., was 2.4 inches.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in Jamaica-road, on 12th instant, at 10.30 p.m., was 2.0 inches.

50. BERMONDSEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. P. Howes, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop addition to No. 120, Jamaica-road, abutting on Storks-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

51. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Albry, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops upon portions of the forecourts of Nos. 1, 2, and 3, Florence-terrace, Lower Woolwich-road, East Greenwich, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shops therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that previously to the commencement of building operations, the spaces, coloured Blue upon the Plan, be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 52. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect dated 8th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. L. Brown, on behalf of Mr. J. Russell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a conservatory on land at the Devonshire Nursery, Havestock-hill, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 53. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Bell, on behalf of Mr. C. R. Wild, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window in front of No. 69, Fitzjohn's-avenue, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 54. LEWISHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Cook, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of and upon land adjoining Cairnboock Lodge, Stanstead-road, Forest-hill, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 55. PADDINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. G. Knight, on behalf of Mr. G. Dethridge, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two-storey bay-windows to Nos. 25 to 31, Paddington-green, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-windows therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 56. St. OLAVE, SOUTHWARK.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Lafone, for the consent of the Board to the construction of two Foot-bridges across Shad Thames, Horselydown, to connect his warehouses, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 57. St. PANCRAS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. J. Tue, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of No. 2A, Bertram-street, Chester-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 58. St. PANCRAS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. T. C. Clarke and Son, on behalf of Mr. W. Wilson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of

Nos. 167, 169, 171, 173 and 175, Hampstead-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shops therein referred, to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the spaces separating the proposed shops from the public way, be given up to form part of such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

59. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. W. Hamilton, on behalf of Mr. H. Haslam, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a porch in front of “Elmside,” Bolingbroke-grove.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

60. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Spearing, on behalf of Mr. H. Turner, for the consent of the Board to the erection and construction of a wooden studio at No. 67, Salcott-road, Wandsworth-common, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

61. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. T. Gregory and Co., on behalf of the Vicar of St. Alban's, Streatham-park, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a permanent Church on the North-West side of Aldrington-road, Mitcham-road, Streatham, at the corner of a new road leading to Thrale-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the Church therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of the Board.

62. BERMONDSEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Simmons and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wooden shed at the rear of No. 5, Tanner-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

63. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Gabriel, on behalf of Mr. Dingley, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a summer-house in the grounds of “Elm Bank,” Camden-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

64. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. P. Deane, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a road to lead out of Birdhurst-road, and of the name “Flavell-road, S.W.,” for the same.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said road.

65. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. E. Milne, on behalf Mr. H. Watney, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Buckhold-road, Merton-road.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

66. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. J. Hansom, on behalf of Messrs. Knipier and Son, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of an extension of Eltringham-street, York-road, Battersea.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

67. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. F. Wenborn, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a stable adjoining No. 6, Vanbrugh-hill, Blackheath, with walls of Portland cement concrete.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, and that a License, with such conditions as to the quality and composition of the concrete, and other matters, as are contained in the form of License approved by the Board on the 28th November, 1879 (No. 6), be granted to the applicant.

68. HAMMERSMITH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. E. Knightley, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in superintending the fixing of high pressure flow and return pipes and a boiler at the Welsh Chapel, in Southerton-road.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Thirty shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

69. METROPOLIS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, Licenses and Plans, in duplicate, in respect of a temporary iron Church, erected in Bolingbroke-road, Hammersmith, an iron building at No. 112, Belvedere-road, Lambeth, an iron Church adjoining No. 258, Cambridge-road, Hackney, an iron building at Christ Church Schools, Falcon-road, Battersea, and an iron School-building in Coopers'-row, Upper East Smithfield.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses and Plans, in duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

70. CITY OF LONDON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th May, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. H. McLachlan, District Surveyor for the District of the Western Division of the City of London, asking for a sealed copy of the Board's Bye-laws, made under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, for use in legal proceedings.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be acceded to.

The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the said Bye-laws.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy of Bye-laws; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

71. HACKNEY AND SHOREDITCH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. H. E. Abery, relative to the construction of the flues and hearths of certain houses erected between the years 1858 and 1865, in De Beauvoir-road, Balmes-road, Benyon-road, Culford-road, Engleford-road, and De Beauvoir-crescent, Kingsland, and Abery-terrace, Darnley-road, Hackney.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

72. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Brine, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the rear of No. 105, St. Stephen's-road, Old Ford, Bow.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

73. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Ashbridge, on behalf of Messrs. J. W. and T. A. Smith, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at their factory in Old Ford-road, Bow.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 28th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 20.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **28th** day of **May**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.	FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER, Esq.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOW- LER, BART., ALDERMAN, M.P.
COLONEL HUGHES, M.P.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.
EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.	ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.
BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	COLONEL MUNRO.
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.
JOHN LENANTON, Esq.	JOHN BONTHEON, Esq.	ALFRED POCOCK, Esq.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.
THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND- SAY, Esq.
WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, Esq.	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., Eng.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH- ARDSON, Esq.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.	ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.
EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR- CLOUGH, Esq.
GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL- LIAMS, Esq.
	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN- HALL, Esq.	HON. ALANDE TATTON EGER- TON, M.P.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 21st instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.
2. A Deputation from inhabitants of Knightsbridge, introduced by Mr. White, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. Mitchell-Henry, M.P., Mr. W. Burdett-Coutts, M.P., Mr. W. Sharp, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. I. B. Barnes, Mr. E. Lance, Mr. J. A.

Rolls, Mr. D. Verity, Mr. J. Davis, Mr. J. Burman, Mr. F. Young, and Mr. W. J. Raffety, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Chairman and Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—We, the undersigned, for ourselves and on behalf of the public generally, most respectfully submit for your consideration the following—

That the entrance into Hyde-park from Knightsbridge through Park-place is a disgrace, not only to the Park and to the neighbourhood, but to the Metropolis, inasmuch as it is narrow, confined, and bounded on either side by buildings of a low class, two being Public-houses of the “Free and Easy” type.

That the Park-place entrance is without exception, the most numerously used foot-way of all the entrances to the Park, the crush of pedestrians at times is so great that numbers have to make a long detour and at great inconvenience use one of the other gates.

That it has been a long-felt want that the Park-place entrance should be superseded by a new one commensurate with the dignity of the Park, and properly meeting the requirements of the public, and one which should be available for carriages as well as pedestrians, inasmuch as at present all carriages used by residents in or visitors to the neighbourhood South of Sloane-street, of the Cadogan Estate, Brompton, and Rutland-gate have, if using the Park, to enter or leave by the Albert-gate entrance, the consequence of which is that continuous blocks occur at Albert-gate, to the danger of the public, causing serious and frequent accidents. Were the Park-place entrance, which is midway between the Prince of Wales-gate and Albert-gate converted into a carriage-way, the glut of vehicular traffic at Albert-gate would be relieved.

That having regard to the deplorable incapacity and state of the Park-place entrance, a new one, such as could be made 54 feet in width for carriages as well as pedestrians, would really be almost as valuable an Improvement as that made at Hyde-park-corner. Besides it would give facilities of access to the Barracks, and would open out a great circulation of air.

That the Improvement prayed for by your Petitioners might at the present juncture be effected for a comparatively small expenditure, inasmuch as the entire portion of the freehold ground forming the West side of Park-place, together with a portion of the ground on the East side can be purchased for the purpose from the Owner for £21,000.

Trusting the foregoing may commend itself to your good judgment, and that you may be pleased to cause steps to be immediately taken to ensure to the public the suggested Improvement—

Your Petitioners will ever pray,

(Signed) WELLINGTON,
Apsley House, Piccadilly.
(„) CADOGAN,
And 95 others.

The Deputation was heard in support of the Memorial, and handed in a Plan showing the proposed Improvement.

It was moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Webster, and resolved—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. A Deputation from inhabitants of the neighbourhood of Tooting-beck-common, introduced by Mr. Weir, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. H. Doulton, Mr. J. Lucas, Mr. T. H. Rollason, Mr. R. D. Holland, Mr. C. E. Hollingsworth, Mr. G. W. Johnson, Mr. J. L. Parker, Dr. G. Ackroyd, Mr. B. F. Dowdeswell, Mr. C. de Sélincourt, Mr. R. Flint, Mr. T. E. Smith, Mr. A. Kennedy, Mr. R. C. Rapiér, Mr. S. Dent, Mr. C. N. King, and Mr. W. H. Lussin, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

TOOTING-BECK-COMMON.

Petition to the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

We, the undersigned, inhabitants of the neighbourhood of Tooting-common, beg respectfully to represent to your Honourable Board that the land abutting on the North-West side of Tooting-beck-common, now in the occupation of James Brand, Esq., is advertised for sale for building on the 9th of June.

About $6\frac{1}{2}$ acres of this land, adjoining the Common and forming part of the avenue, consists of a magnificent belt of oak, beech and elm trees, which it would be obviously most important to secure and add to the Common.

We most respectfully urge upon you the importance of taking immediate measures to prevent such an act of vandalism as the destruction of this magnificent piece of woodland scenery for building purposes.

(Signed) W. SALMON,
No. 1, Aylesbury-terrace,
And 609 others.

The Deputation was heard in support of the Memorial, and handed in Photographs of certain portions of the woodland in question.

It was *moved* by Mr. Weir, seconded by Mr. Meaden, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Committee be authorised, should they consider it desirable to do so, to enter into negotiation on the subject with the persons interested in the land referred to in the Memorial.

4. A joint Deputation from the Holborn District Board, and from inhabitants of the District, introduced by Mr. Phillips, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. W. Easy, Mr. T. S. Bennett, Mr. F. Lowe, Mr. J. Reider, Mr. G. Brewster, Mr. J. A. Hooper, Mr. S. Riches, Mr. J. F. Bennett, Mr. R. G. Bubb, Mr. T. Pellett, Mr. R. M. Cartwright, Mr. J. Schaper, Mr. H. W. Burn, Mr. H. C. Wood, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. W. Kettle, Mr. A. E. Purkis, Mr. J. Hayes and Mr. J. Andrew, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

In Parliament.—Session, 1886.

NORTH METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS (No. 1).

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Memorial of the undersigned inhabitants and ratepayers of the District of Holborn, and of the Parish of St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell,

SHEWETH—

1.—That a Bill is now pending in the House of Commons for the purpose of empowering the North Metropolitan Tramways Company to construct (among other Tramways) an extension of the existing Clerkenwell-road lines along the Theobalds-road to Bloomsbury, and a further extension along the Grays-inn-road to Holborn.

2.—Your Petitioners as the persons primarily affected by the scheme are confident that the Gray's-inn-road extension is one which while, greatly benefiting the inhabitants of the District is absolutely essential to the proper development of the system of Metropolitan Tramways, the principle of which first received the assent of your Honourable Board in the year, 1869, and your Petitioners have therefore learnt with deep regret that your Honourable Board in giving their assent to the Bill have required an undertaking from the Promoters to abandon the said extension.

3.—Your Petitioners are informed that the Promoters, in view of the scheme proposed by the London Street Tramways Company, entered into an agreement to grant to the said Company the right of carrying passengers over the said lines as far as Holborn, and your Petitioners would therefore respectfully submit your Honourable Board would, by relieving the Promoters of so much of their undertaking as relates to the Gray's-inn-road be conferring a double benefit on the inhabitants of the District.

4.—Your Petitioners would also respectfully point out that the Gray's-inn-road between the Town-hall and Holborn, is eminently suitable for the construction of Tramways with the least possible interference with the general traffic.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray, &c.

(Signed) SALAMON JACOBS,
73, Gray's-inn-road,
And 194 others.

It was *moved* by Mr. Phillips, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be considered at the Special Meeting of the Board to be held this day.

5. A Deputation from the Poplar District Board, introduced by Mr. Lenanton, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. J. Yabsley, Mr. W. Clark, Mr. J. W.

Morrison, Mr. Annan, Mr. C. J. Langley, Mr. R. W. Sherrard, Mr. J. W. Holland, Mr. W. Hunter, Mr. J. Lamb, Mr. T. Gaisford, Mr. J. S. Turner, Mr. J. Rundell, Mr. J. Dudley, Mr. A. Hichins, Mr. J. B. Wright, accompanied by Mr. W. H. Farnfield, the Clerk, and Mr. Potts, the Assistant Clerk of the District Board, attended, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Memorial of the Board of Works for the Poplar District, in the County of Middlesex,

SHEWETH--

That your Memorialists are greatly concerned at the periodical recurrence of floodings in the Isle of Dogs, a district within the jurisdiction of your Memorialists, and an area of considerable ratable value.

That such floodings occur, without fail, whenever there is a concurrence of high tide and heavy rainfall, and of late years the distress occasioned thereby has greatly intensified.

That in response to former representations of your Memorialists your Honourable Board have taken steps to establish a Pumping Station at the Isle of Dogs, and which it is hoped, when established will considerably abate, if not effectually remove, the present existing evil.

That, pending the establishment of such Pumping Station, the long-suffering inhabitants of the Island continue to experience visitations of floodings, the result being absolute ruin to many of them, and, during the present month, two serious inundations have occurred, the consequences of which cannot fail to be very serious.

Your Memorialists therefore pray your Honourable Board that immediate action may be taken to provide temporary means of relief, pending the institution of the permanent works, that something may be done forthwith to remedy the absolutely shocking state of things at present existing in the Isle of Dogs.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

The Seal of the Board of Works for the Poplar District was affixed hereto on the 27th day of May, 1886, in the presence of

(Signed) WM. HENRY FARNFIELD,
Clerk to the said Board.

L. S.

The Deputation having been heard in support of the Memorial,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Lenanton, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

6. This being the day for receiving Tenders for the supply of from 2,500 to 3,000 tons of Manganate of Soda and 1,000 tons of Sulphuric Acid for deodorising purposes,

The Clerk laid before the Board the several Tenders which he had received pursuant to the Advertisement issued in accordance with the Board's Resolution of 14th instant (No. 13).

It was ~~moved~~, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the said Tenders be now opened.

Tenders from the undermentioned persons were then opened—

Tenders for Manganate of Soda.

Messrs. Sadler and Co. (Limited), per T. M. Steel, No. 85, Gracechurch-street.

To deliver 50 tons as per Clause 6 of the Specification, with the option of delivering a further 250 tons, to be delivered on 17th June.

Messrs. C. Christopherson and Co., Agents for Messrs. Jas. Muspratt and Sons, No. 17, Great Tower-street. 50 tons at the price of the lowest Tender, or 250 tons at £10 per ton, and much larger quantities if the Board could increase the time for delivery. The first offer to be void if the second should be accepted.

Mr. E. Tuteur, No. 72, Mark-lane. 5 to 6 tons per week at £30 per ton.

Messrs. Middleton, Kirkpatrick and Barr, No. 4, Cullum-street. 50 tons at the price of the lowest Tender.

Messrs. C. Tennant, Sons and Co., No. 4, Mincing-lane. 2,500 tons at £9 17s. 6d. per ton.

Tenders for Sulphuric Acid.

Messrs. Perks and Co., Fenchurch-avenue. 1,000 tons at £1 13s. 4½d. per ton.

■ ■ Messrs. W. Pearce and Sons, Chemical works, Bow-common. 1,000 tons at £1 16s. per ton.

Messrs. Sadler and Co., Limited, per T. M. Steel. No. 85, Gracechurch-street, 1,000 tons at £1 15s. per ton.

Messrs. C. Christopherson and Co., No. 17, Great Tower-street. 1,000 tons at £1 16s. per ton.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and *resolved*—That the Tenders be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to accept those which may appear most advantageous for the Board; that the Committee do report to the Board the course taken, and that the Engineer, the Accountant, and the Chemist do report to the Committee upon the several Tenders.

7. Mr. Runtz handed in a Letter from Mr. R. Ellis, Clerk to the Hackney District Board, dated 27th May, 1886, asking this Board to receive a Deputation from the District Board, on the 4th June, with reference to the formation of a new street from Mare-street, Hackney, to High-street, Homerton.

It was *moved* by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Deputation be received on Friday next, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

8. Colonel Hughes, M.P., handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Plumstead District.

Offices, Old Charlton, Kent,
27th May, 1886.

SIR,—I am directed to request you to inform the Metropolitan Board of Works that the Main Outfall Sewer was again overflowed during the rains of last week, causing the Marsh ditches in the Parish of Plumstead to be flooded with Sewage, creating a serious nuisance to the prejudice of the public health and damage to property, and the risk of poisoning the cattle grazing on the adjacent land.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. HARRIS,
Assistant Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Colonel Hughes, M.P., seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report; and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

9. Mr. Meaden handed in a Letter, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.,
27th May, 1886.

COAL, CORN AND WINE DUES.

DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by this Board to inform you that they have had this subject under consideration, and that they are of opinion that these Dues should be continued, and should form a fund for the preservation of Open Spaces, and for carrying out Metropolitan Improvements.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) HEN. GEO. HILLS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Meaden, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

10. Mr. Bonthron handed in a Letter, as follows—

Parish of St. James, Westminster.

Vestry-hall, Piccadilly, W.

27th May, 1886.

SIR,—I am directed by the Works Committee of the St. James's Vestry to enquire whether they would be permitted to use the Fire Hydrants in that portion of the Parish which is on the constant supply system, for the purpose of loading the carts for street watering, and, if so, whether any conditions would be attached thereto.

It appears to the Committee that the work of street watering would be considerably expedited if the Fire Hydrants were available for the purpose named.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) HARRY WILKINS,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Bonthron, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration and report.

11. Mr. Bradfield handed in a Letter, as follows—

Saint Mary, Islington.

Vestry Offices,

Upper-street, N.,

27th May, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—This Vestry have for some time past had under consideration the desirability of effecting an Improvement by continuing Duncombe-road into Manorville-road, which roads are situated in the Upper Holloway District of this Parish, and have recently had a proposal submitted to them for the surrender of the necessary ground to form a connection between these two roads, as shown in Pink in the enclosed Plan for the sum of £300.

The Vestry have resolved to acquire the ground so offered, on condition that the Metropolitan Board of Works will contribute one-half the amount to be paid for the same, and I am accordingly directed to bring the matter under the notice of your Board, and to request that they will be good enough to contribute a moiety of the cost of this proposed Improvement.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) WM. F. DEWEY.
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration and report.

12. Read a Report, as follows—

Metropolitan Board of Works,

Spring-gardens, S.W.

28th May, 1886.

LOAN OF 1886.

We have to report to the Board that, in compliance with their Resolution of the 14th instant, and the instructions given by the Works and General Purposes Committee on the 17th instant, under the same Resolution, we have completed a Loan to meet the requirements of the Board during the remainder of this year.

It was decided by the Works and General Purposes Committee that a further issue of Three per cent. Stock should be offered for public tender, that the amount should be £1,250,000 (this amount being based on estimates of expenditure prepared by the Finance Committee), and that the minimum price should be named in the Prospectus. They also sanctioned the Prospectus generally, and empowered us to vary it, if, on conference with the representatives of the Treasury and the Bank of England, it was found expedient.

The dividend this year is made to commence from the 1st of May, as in 1885, and there is power under the Money Act of last Session to enable the Board to pay out of the produce of the Loan such portion of the dividend as may be considered to be unearned.

It was decided to fix the minimum price of tender at £98 per cent.

A notification of the issue was at once sent to the Stock Exchange; advertisements were inserted in the leading papers of the next morning, and other advertisements followed.

Tenders were opened on the 25th instant at the Bank of England. They amounted to £5,682,400, at prices varying from par to the minimum.

The lowest accepted price was £99 10s., at which about 7 per cent. of the whole issue was allotted.

The average price of the accepted tenders was £99 12s. 2d.

We lay before the Board a copy of the official application to the Treasury for sanction to the Loan, the Letter containing their Lordships' sanction, the Memorandum signed at the Bank of England on the 19th instant as to the minimum price, and a copy of the Prospectus.

It will be necessary that the Board should draw a Cheque for £7,812 10s. for stamp-duty, payable to the Receiver General of Inland Revenue, under the Act 43 and 44 Vic., cap. 20, sec. 54; also that the Finance Committee should report as to the appropriation of the money raised by the Loan; and lastly that the Bank of England should be requested to pay over the proceeds of the Loan to the Board's Account at the London and Westminster Bank. We may remind the Board that the Solicitor has advised that the 41st Section of the Loans Act requires the Bank to pay over the money within two days after the same has been received; and the Bank should be informed that it will be convenient to the Board if transfers are made on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Authority was given us by the Board, on the 26th March, to raise temporary Loans, if necessary, to the extent of £500 000; and we have raised, under that authority Loans for £300,000 from the London and Westminster Bank, as under—

April 16th.	£100,000 at 2½ per cent., repayable 16th June.
„ 17th.	100,000 „ 2½ „ „ „ 17th „
May 17th.	100,000 „ 3 „ „ „ 17th „

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
Chairman of the Board.

(„) T. GEORGE FARDELL,
Chairman of the Finance Committee.

(„) HENRY HARBEN,
Past Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.,
17th May, 1886.

MY LORDS,—In compliance with the Acts of Parliament, 32 and 33 Vic., cap. 102, secs. 4, 39 and 43; 38 and 39 Vic., cap. 65, sec. 8; 47 and 48 Vic., cap. 50, secs. 7 and 12; and 48 and 49 Vic., cap. 50, various sections, I have the honour to request your Lordships' sanction to a further issue by this Board of £1,250,000 Three per Cent. Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, and to the time, terms and conditions of issue as set forth in the draft prospectus accompanying this Letter.

The Loan is required for the purposes, and in the amounts sterling, set out in the Estimate enclosed herewith, the total of which is £1,250,000. It is probable, however, that the amount realised will be rather less than that sum. The result of the issue shall be reported to your Lordships, when your approval will be asked to the appropriation of the exact produce of the Loan, less the amount to be carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund to pay unearned dividend.

Appended to the Estimate is a schedule of memoranda giving an explanation of each item.

Your Lordships will observe that the minimum price of issue is not named in the Prospectus, and I would ask that you would appoint a representative to meet some of my colleagues and myself, at the Bank of England, on Wednesday next, at 1.30 p.m., to settle what that price shall be.

I shall be glad to receive your Lordships' approval before the time of the conference.

I have the honour to be, &c.,
(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,

The Lords Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury. Chairman of the Board.

LOAN OF 1886.—ESTIMATE OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED.

The total amount required is	...	...	...	...	...	£1,250,000
Deducting the amount required to lend to other Bodies	...	...	...	...	...	210,530
The amount required for the Board's own purposes is	...	...	...	...	...	<u>£1,039,470</u>

	Unexhausted BorrowingPower	Money required.	
		For Board's own purposes.	To lend to other bodies.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1. IN RESPECT OF EXPENDITURE, up to 31st December, 1885 :—			
Fire Brigade, ... under 47 and 48 Vic., c. 50 (Money)	16,283 2 8	16,283 2 8	...
Thames River Prevention of Floods " " "	1,722 16 10	1,722 16 10	...
Streets under Act of 1877 ... " " "	52,570 4 10	52,570 4 10	...
" " " 1883 ... " " "	102,668 12 1	102,668 12 1	...
Various Powers Act of 1885, under 48 and 49 Vic., c. 50 (Money)... ..	704 5 -	704 5 -	...
Loans to School Board, under 47 and 48 Vic., c. 50 (Money)	50,000 - -	...	50,000 - -
Government and Bank Charges " " " "	(no limit)	4,910 9 2	...
2. IN RESPECT OF EXPENDITURE in the year { under 48 and 49 Vic., 1886 c. 50 (Money)...			
Fire Brigade	25,000 - -	25,000 - -	...
Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces	7,427 13 11	7,427 13 11	...
Bridges under Acts of 1881 and 1884	86,569 5 10	86,569 5 10	...
" Act of 1883 (including freeing of East and West Ferry Roads)	37,375 10 1	37,375 10 1	...
Thames River (Prevention of Floods)	1,000 - -	1,000 - -	...
Main Drainage	62,055 11 10	62,055 11 10	...
Artizans' Dwellings	36,454 8 9	36,454 8 9	...
Streets under Act of 1877	173,000 - -	173,000 - -	...
" " 1883	165,000 - -	165,000 - -	...
Minor Improvements, contributions to Local Improvements, including Street Improvements sanctioned by Parliament, and not provided for elsewhere under 48 and 49 Vic., c. 50 (Money)	42,201 17 11	42,201 17 11	...
Various Powers Act of 1885	699,295 15 -	200,000 - -	...
Loans to Vestries and District Boards	59,030 - -	...	59,030 - -
Loans to Guardians	49,500 - -	...	49,500 - -
Loans to other Bodies	2,000 - -	...	2,000 - -
Loans to Managers of Metropolitan Asylum District	50,000 - -	...	50,000 - -
Loans to School Board	600,000 - -	...	*Nil.
Government and Bank Charges, re Loans	(no limit)	24,526 1 1	...
		1,039,470 - -	210,530 - -
£	2,319,859 4 9	£1,250,000 - -	

(Signed)

ARTHUR GUNN,

Accountant.

pring-gardens,
11th May, 1886.

* Will be advanced out of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

Treasury Chambers,
19th May, 1886.

SIR,—In reply to your Letter of yesterday's date, requesting their Lordships' sanction to the further issue by your Board of £1,250,000 Three per Cent. Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to inform you that, in accordance with the powers conferred upon them by the 4th Section of the Metropolitan Board of Works Act of 1869 (32 and 33 Vic., cap. 102), and the Acts extending and amending the same, they are pleased to approve the amount of the Loan proposed by your Board, and the terms and conditions upon which it is to be issued, as set forth in the draft Prospectus which accompanied your Letter.

I am to add that Mr. E. W. Hamilton, C.B., has been directed by their Lordships to attend at the Bank of England at 1.30 to-day, to assist in settling the minimum price of issue of the Loan.

The Chairman,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) R. E. WELBY.

Bank of England, E.C.,
May 19th, 1886.

It has been agreed this day that the minimum price of the new issue of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock shall be Ninety-eight Pounds, per hundred pounds of Stock.

(Signed)	J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
	Chairman of the Board.
(„)	E. W. HAMILTON,
	Treasury.
(„)	T. GEORGE FARDELL,
	Chairman of the Finance Committee
	of the Board.
(„)	HENRY HARBEN,
	Late Chairman of the Finance Committee
	of the Board.

The Prospectus referred to in the Report was laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben, and *resolved*—That the Report be received, and that the several proceedings, as set forth therein, be approved and confirmed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £7,812 10s. be now drawn in favour of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, in respect of the composition for Stamp-duty on the Stock; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben, and *resolved*—That it be referred to the Finance Committee, to consider and report as to the appropriation to be made of the amount raised by the recent issue of Stock; and that the Accountant do communicate forthwith with the Treasury on points of detail, upon which the Committee may require information.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded by Mr. Harben, and *resolved*—That the recommendation of the Committee with respect to the communication to be made to the Bank of England, as to the payment of the proceeds of the issue of Stock to the Board's Account at the London and Westminster Bank, be approved and acted upon.

13. It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **28th** day of **May**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^cGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

JOHN JONES, ESQ.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, ESQ.	BENJAMIN WEIR, ESQ.
GEORGE JAMES, ESQ.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND-	ANDREW CAMERON, ESQ.
GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN,	SAY, ESQ.	FREDERICK COX, ESQ.
ESQ.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, ESQ.	JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICH-	JOHN LENANTON, ESQ.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.
ARDSON, ESQ.	ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, ESQ.	ALFRED POCOCK, ESQ.
FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER,	GEORGE EDWARDS, ESQ.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD,
ESQ.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, ESQ.,	ESQ.
COLONEL HUGHES, M.P.	M.P.	GEORGE HILL, ESQ.
ROBERT FREEMAN, ESQ.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS,	PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL,
CHARLES MOSSOP, ESQ.	ESQ.	ESQ.
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQ.,	JOHN ABBOTT, ESQ.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.
F.R.C.S., ENG.	HENRY HARBEN, ESQ.	JOHN REDDISH, ESQ.
ALFRED EWIN, ESQ.	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT,	WILLIAM ROBSON, ESQ.
WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-	ESQ.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, ESQ.
HALL, ESQ.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY,	SAMUEL PRICE, ESQ.
GEORGE PHILLIPS, ESQ.	ESQ.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR-
HON. ALAN DE TATTON	COLONEL MUNRO.	CLOUGH, ESQ.
EGERTON, M.P.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-	GEORGE BROWN, ESQ.
WILLIAM URQUHART, ESQ.	LIAMS, ESQ.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER,
JOHN BONTHRON, ESQ.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN,	ESQ.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL,	ESQ.	ROBERT FURNISS, ESQ.
ESQ.		

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring-gardens,
25th May, 1886.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on Friday next, the 28th day of May, 1886, at a quarter before One o'clock, p.m., for the transaction of the following business, viz.—

TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE—

Recommending—

That the following Resolution of the Board of the 12th February, 1886 (No. 14), viz.—

“That, upon the Promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways (No 1) Bill,
“giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form the Tramways
“Nos. 2 and 5, and to provide that Tramway No. 1 along Theobald's-road, shall

“not be carried further West than Devonshire-street, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament,”—be so far varied as to admit of the formation of the Tramway No. 2, in the Bill mentioned.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG.

2. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 24th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have, pursuant to the reference by the Board of the 14th instant (No. 5), further considered the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 1) Bill, and they beg to submit the following recommendation—

That the following Resolution of the Board of the 12th February, 1886 (No. 14), viz.—“That, upon the Promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 1) Bill, giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form the Tramways Nos. 2 and 5, and to provide that Tramway No. 1 along Theobald’s-road shall not be carried further West than Devonshire-street, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament,”—be so far varied so as to admit of the formation of the Tramway No. 2, in the Bill mentioned.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
W. ROBSON,
GEORGE PHILLIPS.

The Report having been read and received,

The Memorial on the subject, presented by the Deputation this day, was laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Phillips, and seconded by Mr. Robson—That the following Resolution of the Board of the 12th February, 1886 (No. 14), viz.—“That, upon the Promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways (No. 1) Bill, giving an undertaking to omit from the Bill the power to form the Tramways Nos. 2 and 5, and to provide that Tramway No. 1 along Theobald’s-road shall not be carried further West than Devonshire-street, and further to amend the Bill in the manner required by the Board, the consent of the Board be given to the introduction of the Bill into Parliament,”—be so far varied so as to admit of the formation of the Tramway No. 2 in the Bill mentioned.

After discussion the *motion* was put to the vote, when there were for it 35, against it 11, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **28th** day of **May**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

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Esq.	Esq.	HON. ALAN DE TATTON
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.	EGERTON, M.P.
	ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	

1. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 25th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 8th May, 1886	...	...	...	£70,296 15 6	
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day				134,145 1 2	£204,441 16 8
					95,507 8 1
Payments since 8th May, 1886	...	...	...	...	
Balance on 22nd May, 1886	...	{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank ... £113,879 6 5		Less cheques not presented 4,944 17 10	108,934 8 7

GENERAL AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

GES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—						£677 9 6		
Balance overdrawn on 8th May, 1886	...	...	...	..	7,310 5 11		£6,632 16 5	
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	..			5,542 5 8	
Payments since 8th May, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	..		
Balance on 22nd May, 1886,	{	viz. ;	Cash Balance at Bank	1,549 14 10	259 4 1		1,290 10 9	
					Less Cheques not presented			
al Cash Balances on 22nd May, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	<u>£110,224 19 4</u>	

Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.

Names of Accounts.	Balances, 8th May, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.		Balances, 22nd May, 1886.		Cheques drawn but not issued.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.	At Debit.	At Credit.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Accounts—							
General ...	50,249 11 8	...	29,554 8 1	12,106 16 11	32,802 - 6	...	40 11 7
Brigade ...	27,135 16 11	...	386 - 10	6,107 12 5	32,857 8 6	...	54 - -
Regiments ...	...	5,688 8 3	22 17 2	796 12 6	...	4,914 12 11	95 - 2
Local Accounts—							
General ...	...	682,707 11 -	100,000 - -	19,377 18 10	...	763,329 12 2	46,100 - -
Brigade ...	5,554 17 10	...	...	1,043 7 6	6,598 5 4	...	...
Edgware (Act of 1877)	7,727 5 7	...	...	459 2 1	8,186 7 8	...	...
Edgware (Act of 1881)	22,906 7 6	...	...	3,273 6 11	26,179 14 5	...	1,801 16 4
Edgware (Act of 1883)	6,684 14 7	...	...	4,598 3 8	11,282 18 3	...	...
Edgware (Act of 1885)	- 19 11	...	...	...	- 19 11	...	367 11 -
Edgware Drainage and Main Sewers ...	40,021 - 10	...	...	3,332 10 3	43,353 11 1	...	22 6 10
Edgware Parks and Open Spaces ...	170 12 10	...	...	395 10 2	566 3 -	...	...
Edgware Highbury Fields ...	30,710 2 9	...	...	...	30,710 2 9	...	7 5 -
Edgware Streets (Act of 1872)...	989 19 -	...	...	15 10 1	1,005 9 1	...	28 3 4
Edgware Streets (Act of 1877)...	71,552 13 8	...	36 14 4	22,570 - 7	94,085 19 11	...	281 2 11
Edgware Coley-street Extension (Act of 1882) ...	9 12 5	...	...	84 17 -	94 9 5	...	...
Edgware Streets (Act of 1883)...	79,868 9 8	...	12 14 8	6,853 9 3	86,709 4 3	...	23,764 7 4
Edgware Streets (Act of 1884)...	2,923 5 9	...	...	10 4 -	2,933 9 9	...	...
Edgware Streets (Act of 1885)...	8 7 3	...	...	...	8 7 3	...	...
Edgware Arnold Street ...	...	145 9 3	...	...	...	145 9 3	...
Edgware Hampstead Improvements ...	55,698 5 9	...	59 11 6	2,264 - 1	57,902 14 4	...	1,738 1 8
Edgware Poplar Improvement ...	3,920 - 2	...	7 11 -	3,878 - 8	7,790 9 10	...	1,636 18 -
Edgware Thames Floods Prevention ...	497 2 2	...	...	1,547 4 3	2,044 6 5	...	...
Edgware Miscellaneous—							
Edgware Dwelling House Improvement Fund...	6,693 8 7	...	588 8 -	5,601 9 7	11,706 10 2	...	2,882 8 6
Edgware Consolidated Loans Fund ...	205,014 8 5	...	3,476 15 7	1,191 11 4	202,729 4 2	...	7,081 19 10
Edgware Firemen's Savings Fund ...	...	92 10 3	...	...	...	92 10 3	...
	618,337 3 3	688,633 18 9	134,145 1 2	95,507 8 1	659,547 16 -	768,482 4 7	85,901 12 6
	£70,296 15 6				£108,934 8 7		

INVESTMENTS.

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND ... £3,120 8 5 ... Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 10th to 22nd May, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Fees—											
Re Construction of buildings (Building Act)	...	...	...	...	...	£5	15	—			
„ Dangerous structures	„	...	...	...	...	137	5	8			
„ Gas-meter testing	...	...	...	...	...	58	14	10			
„ Petroleum	...	...	...	...	...	22	5	—			
„ Explosives	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	—			
									227	3	6
Costs recovered—											
Re Loans	...	...	...	...	...	£43	9	6			
„ Lease	...	...	...	...	...	57	—	—			
„ Rent	...	...	...	...	...	2	9	6			
„ Chemicals, &c., supplied to gas-testing stations	...	...	...	...	...	44	16	4			
Law costs, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	—			
									148	17	4
Proceeds of sales of carcases—											
Re Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act	...	...	...	...	...				54	11	8
Plans, &c., sold	...	...	...	...	...				5	17	8
Drain-junctions to main sewers	...	...	...	...	...				4	18	11
Contribution to wages of Subway Inspector	...	...	...	...	...				15	12	—
Transfer from <i>Sundry Accounts</i> for proportion of Establishment Charges for the half-year to 31st December, 1885	...	...	...	...	...	29,097	7	—			
									29,554	8	1
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.											
Contributions from Insurance companies	...	...	...	...	...				248	3	9
Contributions from men towards rent	...	...	...	...	...				103	10	—
Chimney-fire penalties...	...	...	...	...	...				18	17	6
Attendance at ex-Metropolitan fires	...	...	...	...	...				15	3	9
Return of unclaimed wages	...	...	...	...	...				—	5	10
									386	—	10
BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...				17	7	10
Proportion of outgoings, &c., re 54, 56, Battersea-bridge-road	...	...	...	...	...				5	9	4
									22	17	2
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.											
London and Westminster Bank, Limited—											
Temporary loan	...	...	...	...	...				100,000	—	—
STREETS (ACT OF 1877).											
Refund of amount tendered for costs of jury expenses (less rent, &c.), re D'Humy (Charing-cross)	...	...	...	...	...				36	—	4
Costs of copy of lease, re Dray (Charing-cross)	...	...	...	...	...				—	14	—
									36	14	4
HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...				59	11	6
POPLAR IMPROVEMENT.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...				5	16	—
Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by the Board	...	...	...	...	...				1	15	—
									7	11	—
DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...				7	4	—
Sales—											
Tench-street (old materials)	...	...	...	...	...				381	4	—
Peabody donation fund trustees—											
Refund of amount paid by the Board, re Great Peter-street scheme	...	...	...	...	...				200	—	—
									588	8	
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.											
Rent	...	...	...	...	...				3,252	13	—
Loans—											
Interest	...	...	...	...	...	£136	12	9			
Repayments	...	...	...	...	...	60	3	4			
									196	16	1
Carried forward	...	...	...	...	...	23,449	9	1	130,655	10	11

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ...	3,449	9	1	130,655	10	11
Sales—							
Old stores ...		27	1	6			
Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by the Board ...			5	—			
					3,476	15	7
					<u>£134,132</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £26,540 10s. 7d. be paid.

* Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for permission to borrow, and for the advance of a sum of £1,000, referred by the Board on the 2nd ultimo (No. 44). The land at the rear of the Vestry-hall is being laid out for building purposes, and the Vestry have agreed to purchase, for £1,000, a piece of the ground adjoining the Vestry premises, having a frontage of 40 feet to Belsize-avenue, by a depth of about 88 feet, so as to provide adequate light and air to the Vestry Offices, and the necessary land for their probable enlargement. Your Superintending Architect reports that he does not consider the price excessive, and having regard to the difficulty which might hereafter arise in the Vestry obtaining the ground, and the serious effect the erection of any high building would have on the Vestry-hall, your Committee concur in the desirability of the proposed purchase, and they therefore recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for a Loan of a sum of £1,000, to defray the cost of the purchase of a piece of land adjoining the Vestry-hall, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, within 55 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Hampstead, requesting an advance of a sum of £20,000, referred by the Board on the 21st instant. The Loan is required towards defraying the Vestry's share of the cost of the Hampstead Improvements, which are now being effected by the Board, under the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1883, by the 40th Section of which Act the Vestry are required from time to time to contribute towards the Board's expenditure in relation to such Improvements. The Board have already advanced £30,000 to the Vestry in connection with the works, and your Committee consider that the present Loan should be advanced on similar terms; they therefore recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for a Loan of a sum of £20,000, for the purposes of the Hampstead Improvements, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid in 55 years as follows—For the first 8 years one moiety of 1-55th part annually on each 31st January, and after that period 1-47th part of the principal then due, annually on each 31st January for 47 years; that it be referred

to the Solicitor to complete the Loan; and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the application from the Vestry of Kensington, requesting permission to borrow, and also for the advance of a sum of £5,650, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, referred by the Board on the 16th ultimo (No. 47). The Vestry are re-laying 13,108 yards of wood-paving in Brompton-road, between Knights-bridge-green and the Fulham-road, and 1,505 yards, on concrete, 6 inches in thickness, in Kensington-road between the Parish boundary and Russell-road, at a cost of £4,600 and £696 respectively. The Board in December last granted permission to the Vestry to borrow a sum of £2,500 towards defraying the cost of paving Silver-street and Church-street with wood. The work has since been completed, and has cost £354 more than the amount borrowed for its execution. This sum the Vestry now desire to borrow in addition to the before-mentioned sums of £4,600 and £696. Your Engineer has examined the detailed Estimate of the works, and reports it to be fair and reasonable, and your Committee, seeing no objection to the proposed Loan, recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Kensington, for permission to borrow, and also for a Loan of a sum of £5,650 to defray the cost of wood-paving be granted, to the extent of £5,600, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

Pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 21st ultimo (No. 28), your Committee have considered the application of the Westminster District Board, for authority to borrow, and for a Loan of a sum of £2,800, to defray the cost of wood-paving. The District Board propose to have laid down in Caxton, Chapter, Palmer and Moreton Streets in their District, about 5,260 yards of wood-paving on concrete foundations, 9 inches in thickness, and to re-construct gullies and re-lay the kerbs, at an estimated cost of £2,860, which your Engineer reports to be fair and reasonable. Your Committee see no objection to the Board making the advance, and they accordingly recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Westminster District Board, for a Loan of a sum of £2,800, to defray the cost of wood-paving be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have also considered the application of the Westminster District Board for authority to borrow, and for the advance of a sum of £2,400, to defray the cost of asphalte-paving, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 28). The District Board propose to pave with asphalte 1½ inches thick, laid on concrete foundations 4 inches in thickness, the eight small streets and places named in their Letter. The total estimated area to be paved is 5,116 yards, and the cost, including the re-construction of gullies and the re-laying of kerbs, is £2,424 10s., which your Engineer reports to be fair and reasonable. As there appears to be no objection to the Loan, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Westminster District Board, for a Loan of a sum of £2,400, to defray the cost of asphalte paving, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken

up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within 7 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, asking for permission to borrow, and for a Loan of a sum £4,000, to defray the cost of asphalte and wood paving, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 49). The Vestry propose to have laid down in the 13 streets and places named in their Letter 6,085 yards of 2-inch compressed asphalte, and in Angel-court, 184 yards of 1-inch compressed asphalte, and 2,115 yards of wood-paving, in Charles-street and Ryder-street, at a cost of £3,651, £59 16s. and £766 13s. 9d. respectively, making a total of £4,477 9s. 9d. Your Engineer has examined the detailed specification for the works, and reports the Estimate to be fair and reasonable, and having regard thereto, and to the necessity for the carrying out of the several works, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, for a Loan of a sum of £4,000, to defray the cost of asphalte and wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within 4 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

On the 12th February last (No 10), the Greenwich District Board applied for an advance of a sum of £12,000, to defray the cost of granite paving-works, and £3,000, the cost of wood-paving works, re-payable in 20 years, and the Board, on the 12th March last (No. 7), on the recommendation of your Committee, agreed to make the advance, the sum of £12,000 for granite paving being re-paid in 20 years, and £3,000 for wood-paving in 6 years. The District Board, by a further application presented to the Board on the 7th instant (No. 50), have stated that they now propose to increase the quantity of granite to be laid down from 16,000 to 18,000 yards, at a cost of £13,050, and to reduce the proposed wood-paving from 5,000 to 3,000 yards, at a cost of £2,025, and £230 for new granite kerb, making a total of £15,305. The granite paving is proposed to be laid down in certain unpaved portions of the Greenwich-road, London-street, Romney-road, Trafalgar-road and of Lower Woolwich-road, and the wood-paving in parts of London, Church and Nelson Streets, and in front of Christ Church, and the Wesleyan Chapel in the Lower Woolwich-road. Your Engineer has examined the Estimate for the works, and reports it to be fair and reasonable, and your Committee, having regard thereto, and to the necessity for the work, recommend—

That the Resolution of the Board of the 12th March last (No. 7), agreeing to advance to the Greenwich District Board the sum of £12,000 to defray the cost of granite paving and £3,000 for wood-paving works, be not further acted upon.

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Greenwich District Board, for permission to borrow, and also for the Loan of a sum of £15,000, to defray the cost of paving works, be granted, on condition that the District Board do pay all the costs occasioned by the alteration of the Loan now abandoned, and do take up the present Loan without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, as to £13,000 required for granite paving within 20 years, and as to £2,000 for wood paving within 6 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the application from the Greenwich District Board for a Loan of a sum of £950, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 36). The District Board, in view of the ultimate construction of a road from Blackheath-road, over Deptford-creek to Friendly-street, purchased from this Board, for the sum of £3,000, a portion of the area left as re-coupment after the widening of Deptford Bridge. The District Board have re-sold for £2,050 that portion of the land not likely to be required for the new road, and the balance of £950 may be taken as the value of the land retained and intended to be used in forming the proposed new street, and for which they desire a Loan to enable them to pay the £3,000. Your Superintending Architect has reported to your Committee on the subject, and your Committee, concurring in the object of the proposed Loan, recommend—

That subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal, to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Greenwich District Board for a Loan of a sum of £950 to defray the cost of the purchase of land near Deptford Bridge, for the purposes of a Street Improvement, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, within 55 years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

On the 17th July, 1885 (No. 40), a Letter was submitted to the Board from the Home Office, requesting that a Return might be prepared, in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of Commons, of the expenses incurred by the Board in promoting and opposing private Bills before Parliament in the years 1883, 1884, and 1885. Your Accountant has prepared the Return, and your Committee beg to submit the same for the information of the Board, and to recommend—

That it be approved and forwarded to the Home Secretary for presentation to Parliament.

The Board, on the 6th November, 1885, drew a Cheque on their General Working Account, in favour of Messrs. Aird and Sons, for £3 5s. 2d., which Messrs. Aird and Sons now state has been lost, and they request another in lieu of it, and agree to guarantee the Board against any loss in respect of the missing Cheque. Your Committee see no objection to the Board complying with Messrs. Aird's request on the terms stated, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Solicitor has reported to your Committee that he has received an application from Messrs. Dyson and Co., for an advance on account of their Parliamentary disbursements. It is customary about this time of the year for the Board to pay Messrs. Dyson and Co. a sum to meet the House fees and other expenses incidental to the Parliamentary business transacted for the Board, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That a Cheque for £600 be drawn in favour of Messrs. Dyson and Co.

Your Committee also recommend—

That the following Cheques, which have been drawn longer than Three months, be cancelled—

Streets (Act of 1877).

No. 8632—1886. 15th February—Phillips, J. and J. ... £19 0 0

Streets (Act of 1883).

„ 785—1886. 8th February—Phillips, J. and J. ... 26 0 0

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
GEORGE JAMES,
DONALD MUNRO.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

INSPECTORS under Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, quarter to 31st March, 1886—(1493)—						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
6539	Broad, A. ...	...	...	...	...	£37	7	9			
6540	Davis, H. ...	...	...	...	...	1	19	—			
6541	Humphrey, C. J. ...	...	...	...	...	37	7	10			
6542	Hunting, W. ...	...	...	...	...	19	1	6			
6543	Ingersoll, F. R. ...	...	...	...	...	26	5	3			
6544	Lowe, C. ...	...	...	...	...	5	13	3			
6545	Lupton, J. I. ...	...	...	...	...	4	8	6			
6546	Ridler, F. H. ...	...	...	...	...	16	16	—			
6547	Shaw, H. K. ...	...	...	...	...	99	1	3			
6548	Springett, H. ...	...	...	...	...	22	3	6			
6549	Tegg, G. ...	...	...	...	...	26	16	2			
6550	Woodger, E. ...	...	...	...	...	13	17	—			
									310	17	—
STANFORD, E.—(1545)—											
6551	Maps of London, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...				38	18	—
TENNANT, C., SONS AND Co.—(1549)—											
6552	Manganate of soda for deodorizing purposes, April and May, 1886	...	...	...	...	3,913	11	2			
CLAYTON AND SHUTTLEWORTH—(1485)—											
6553	Pinion-wheels for deodorizing purposes, April, 1886	...	...	...	...				2	7	6
WRIGHT, A., AND Co.—(1547)—											
6554	Cleaning and repairing experimental meter and governor, Sewage experiments, April, 1886	...	...	...	...				2	2	—
IDE, T. AND W.—(1486)—											
6555	Bent glasses for lamps, Victoria Embankment, April, 1886	...	...	...	...				3	—	—
SHELBOURNE, J., AND Co.—(1560)—											
6556	On account of contract for cleansing cold water reservoir at Abbey-mills Pumping-station (No. 770)	...	...	...	...				75	—	—
NEW RIVER Co.—(1499 & 1448)—											
6557	Hydrants, Parish of St. Pancras, October and November, 1885	...	...	...	...	£531	2	9			
	Repairs to hydrants, September, 1885, to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	3	5	1			
									534	7	10
BRASS, W., AND SON—(1495)—											
6558	Shoring, hoarding, &c., Dangerous structures	...	...	...	...				31	7	1
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(1496)—											
Fees, re Dangerous structures—											
6559	Ashbridge, A. ...	...	...	...	...	£2	—	—			
6560	Carritt, E. ...	...	...	...	...	6	2	6			
6561	Fletcher, B. ...	...	...	...	...	10	2	6			
6562	Fowler, C. ...	...	...	...	...	4	2	6			
6563	Grose, V. J. ...	...	...	...	...	8	2	6			
6564	Gundry, H. ...	...	...	...	...	5	—	—			
6565	Hammon, H. J. ...	...	...	...	...	8	17	6			
6566	Hayward, C. F. ...	...	...	...	...	11	—	—			
6567	Jarvis, H. ...	...	...	...	...	8	5	—			
6568	Kerr, R. ...	...	...	...	...	4	10	—			
6569	Knightley, T. E. ...	...	...	...	...	2	7	6			
6570	Lansdown, G. ...	...	...	...	...	7	17	6			
Carried forward						£78	7	6	4,911	10	7

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...						4,911	10	7	...		
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(continued) ...						£78	7	6			
6571	Large, W. A.	...	...	...	...	2	7	6			
6572	Legg, H. S.	...	...	...	...	5	2	6			
6573	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	...	6	10	—			
6574	Marsland, E.	...	...	...	...	2	7	6			
6575	Notley, R. P.	...	...	...	...	9	15	—			
6576	Parsons, H.	...	...	...	...	4	15	—			
6577	Payne, A.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6			
6578	Stenning, A. R.	...	...	...	...	2	10	—			
6579	Street, E...	...	...	...	...	4	5	—			
6580	Tanner, A. W.	...	...	...	...	3	15	—			
6581	Walker, R.	...	...	...	...	11	2	6			
6582	Woodthorpe, E.	...	...	...	...	3	5	—			
6583	Woodward, J. A. J.	...	...	...	...	5	17	6			
									142	2	6
BARR AND SON—(1473)—											
6584	Seeds for Finsbury-park and Embankment-gardens, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...				12	12	—
CARTER, PAGE AND Co.—(1298)—											
6585	Seeds for Sundry Parks, &c., April, 1886	...	...	...	...				88	19	—
FRASER, J.—(1474)—											
6586	Shrubs for Finsbury-park and Hampstead-heath, April, 1886	...	...	...	...				5	16	—
VEITCH, J., AND SONS—(1479)—											
6587	Trees and shrubs for Tooting-commons, March, 1886	...	...	...	...				3	18	—
DALTON, W. T., AND SON—(1480)—											
6588	Repairs to flag mast and fittings, Hampstead-heath, April, 1886	...	...	...	...				9	12	6
HORTON, B., AND SON—(1481)—											
6589	Pales for repairs, Hampstead-heath, February, 1886	...	...	...	...				2	10	—
LAPTHORNE AND Co.—(1472)—											
6590	Repairs, &c., at sundry parks and open spaces, January to March, 1886	...	...	...	...				145	4	8
BLACKMORE, T.—(1467)—											
6591	Carting-work at Clapham, Streatham, and Tooting-commons, September to December, 1885	...	...	...	...				26	10	—
BUDD, H. W.—(1477)—											
6592	Carting-work at Blackheath, December, 1885, and January, 1886	...	...	...	...				10	10	—
HOBMAN, A. T., AND SON—(1471)—											
6593	Carting-work at sundry parks, &c., March, 1886	...	...	...	...				10	16	—
CHURCH, J.—(1478)—											
6594	Carting-work at Hackney-downs, December, 1885, to May, 1886	...	...	...	...				42	10	—
PICKING, C. J.—(1475)—											
6595	Flower-pots, Finsbury-park, March to May, 1886	...	...	...	...				12	6	—
SPENCER, W. E.—(1468)—											
6596	Food for waterfowl, Southwark-park, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...				6	—	—
OAKLEY, G. AND J.—(1482)—											
6597	Timber for use at Southwark-park and Blackheath, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...				42	17	3
LUCAS, A.—(1476)—											
6598	Destroying rats at Finsbury-park, half-year to 16th May, 1886	...	...	...	...				2	2	—
KING, W.—(1470)—											
6599	Repairing tools, &c., Bostall-heath and Plumstead-common, April and December, 1885	...	...	...	...				2	17	8
STANLEY, W. F.—(1453)—											
6600	Surveying instruments and repairs, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...				4	9	3
Carried forward ...						£5,483	3	5	...		

					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	5,483	3	5	..		
GREEN, J.—(1469 and 1459)—										
6601	Oils, colours, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886—									
	Flushing stores, pumping stations, &c. ...	...	...	339	6	9				
	Parks and open spaces ...	...	...	2	12	9				
							341	19	6	
STEEL AND JONES—(1546)—										
6602	Newspapers, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	30	5	4			
NEW RIVER Co.—(1498)—										
6603	Water for properties occupied by the Board, to Christmas, 1885	...			263	7	6			
WATER for premises occupied by the Board—(1463)—										
6604	Kent Water Works Co. ...	...	...	5	1	-				
6605	Southwark and Vauxhall Water Co. ...	...	...	3	15	3				
							8	16	3	
BANK OF ENGLAND—(1548)—										
6606	Half-year's interest on balance of loan of £60,000, due 1st June, 1886 (less tax) ...	...	...	...	435	-	-			
WILLIAMSON, P. W.—(1559)—										
6607	Return of amount deposited with the Board by Mr. P. J. Gordon in respect of temporary iron church at Bolingbroke-road, Hammersmith, in July, 1881	...	...	...	50	-	-			
								6,612	12	-

FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.

SHAND, MASON AND Co.—(1392)—										
2718	Repairs to engines, &c., January to April, 1886	...	...	...	252	17	11			
MERRYWEATHER AND SONS—(1394)—										
2719	Repairs to engine, April, 1886	...	...	...	17	12	6			
BRAY, G.—(1442)—										
2720	Balance of amount of bill for repairs to wheels, &c., of engines, hose-vans, &c., half-year to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	119	9	1			
NASH AND MILLER—(1462)—										
2721	Hire of barges, September, 1885, to February, 1886	...	...	...	40	2	8			
PFEIL AND Co.—(1393)—										
2722	Ironmongery, tools, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	215	5	8			
LILLIE, H. W.—(1401)—										
2723	Firewood, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	137	10	-			
MEDICAL OFFICERS—(1397 to 1400)—										
	Attendance on Brigade, quarter to 31st March, 1886—									
2724	Fowler, R. ...	...	...	...	£32	1	8			
2725	Probert, J. L. ...	...	...	...	53	12	6			
2726	Sangster, C. ...	...	...	...	63	18	4			
2727	Taylor, A. A. ...	...	...	...	38	5	-			
							187	17	6	
CLAMP, G.—(1395)—										
2728	Taking charge of engine and appliances at North Woolwich, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	6	10	-			
NEWSTEAD, N.—(1454)—										
2729	Repairs at stations, September, 1885, to February, 1886	...	...	...	39	11	5			
TAYLOR, A. A.—(1500)—										
2730	Medical attendance and as witness, <i>re</i> Stanlake	...	...	...	8	8	-			
								1,025	4	9

FIRE BRIGADE CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

STIMPSON AND Co.—(1483)—										
2731	Further on account of contract for erection of station at Leswin-street, Stoke Newington (No. 773)	...	...	...				585	-	-

MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.

WADDELL, J.—(1563)—										
1284	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers in Clapham, Battersea, Wandsworth and Putney, No. 614	...	...	...	5,000	-	-			
	Carried forward	...	...	...	£5,000	-	-	8,222	16	9

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	5,000	-	8,222	16	9
RIGBY, W.—(1562)—									
1285	Further on account of contract for construction of relief lines to the Holloway and Northern high level sewers, No. 720	...	...	...	3,200	-			
NOWELL AND ROBSON—(1561)—									
1286	Further on account of contract for construction of sewers, &c., in Queen's-road, Dalston, No. 727	...	...	...	900	-	9,100	-	
STREETS (ACT OF 1883).									
MARRIOTT, RT. HON. W. T., Q.C., M.P.—(1556)—									
1054	Counsel's fees, March and May, 1886	...	...	...	156	9	6		
DE GREY, HON. J.—(1554)—									
1055	Counsel's fees, May, 1886	...	...	...	24	13	-	181	2 6
THAMES FLOODS PREVENTION.									
BAKER, B.—(1391)—									
13	Professional charges, re Little's wharf, Wandsworth	...	...	...			52	10	-
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.									
NEW RIVER Co—(1361)—									
1594	Water for premises occupied by tenants of the Board, to Lady-day, 1886	...	...	...			172	-	3
SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.									
CHAMBERLAIN, J.—(1551, 1466, and 1403)—									
1973	Brooms, brushes, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886—								
	<i>General Working Account</i>								
	Sewerage works, pumping-stations, &c.	...	...	...	£50	6	2		
	Parks, &c.	...	...	...	3	11	6		
	Gas-meter testing-houses	...	...	...	1	9	7		
	Offices, Spring-gardens	...	...	...	5	8	7		
							60	15	10
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...			72	1	3
								132	17 1
PATTENDEN AND HICKS—(1494 and 1396)—									
1974	Rope, canvas, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886—								
	<i>General Working Account—</i>								
	Pumping-stations	...	...	...	43	8	-		
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	71	-	4		
								114	8 4
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(1542, 1386 and 1544)—									
1975	Coals, March and April, 1886—								
	<i>General Working Account—</i>								
	Pumping-stations, &c.	...	...	...	£1,690	4	8		
	Parks	...	...	...	19	12	10		
							1,709	17	6
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...			100	8	5
								1,810	5 11
BAYLEY, E. H., AND Co.—(1402 and 1445)—									
1976	Repairing and maintaining escapes, &c., quarter to Ladyday, 1886—								
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	291	12	-		
	New ladders and escapes—								
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£390	-	-		
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	373	-	-		
							763	-	
								1,054	12 -
COLSON, W., AND Co.—(1488)—									
1977	Boots for men on Sewer work, pumping-stations, &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886—								
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	15	1	-		
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	1	11	-		
								16	12 -
WADESON, C. A.—(1489)—									
1978	Mounting plans, &c., March to May, 1886—								
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	5	18	5		
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	10	3	3		
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	3	12	6		
								19	14 2
	Carried forward	...	...	...			£20,876	19	-

					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...				20,876	19	-
LAMBETH WATERWORKS Co.—(1464)—										
1979	Water for premises occupied by the Board—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	2	12	6			
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	3	15	-			
								6	7	6
PETT, W.—(1557)										
1980	Repairs to premises occupied by tenants of the Board, or taken for improvements, February, 1886—									
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	4	5	2			
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	21	6	-			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	229	13	6			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	46	16	-			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	11	16	9			
	<i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	84	13	5			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	77	11	3			
								476	2	1
CRIPPS, C. A.—(1553)—										
1981	Counsel's fees, August, 1885, and March, 1886—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	3	5	6			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	32	7	-			
								35	12	6
FREEMAN, G. M.—(1555)—										
1982	Counsel's fees, January to March, 1886—									
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	3	5	6			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	4	14	-			
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	77	13	-			
								85	12	6
BAZALGETTE, C. N.—(1550)—										
1983	Counsel's fees, January and February, 1886—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	26	17	-			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	26	17	-			
								53	14	-
HODGES AND SON—(1539)—										
1984	Shorthand notes, December, 1885, to March, 1886—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	16	17	-			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	8	8	-			
								25	5	-
STREET BROTHERS—(1447)—										
1985	Advertisements, March, 1886—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	4	3	6			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	14	17	7			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	5	9	3			
	<i>Woolwich Ferry</i>	...	...	...	4	13	4			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	13	-	6			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	26	6	6			
								68	10	8
SOUTHWARK AND VAUXHALL WATER Co., per F. BUDGE—(1558)—										
1986	Water for premises belonging to the Board—									
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	1	7	-			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	1	2	-			
								2	9	-
METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSIONERS, per Bank of England—(1540 & 1541)—										
1987	Services of constables, January to March, 1886—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	82	18	9			
	<i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	46	2	6			
								129	1	3
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(1571 & 1572)—										
	Repayment of advances—									
1988	Weekly wages—Two weeks to 19th May, 1886—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£1,625	5	6			
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	9	8	9			
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	15	8	6			
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	18	6	-			
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	87	18	-			
	<i>Parks and Open Spaces</i>	...	...	...	35	3	-			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	24	1	-			
	Carried forward	...	...	...	£1,815	10	9			
								21,759	13	6

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				...						21,759	13	6
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &C., ACCOUNT—(continued)				...	...	1,815	10	9				
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>				...	...	9	18	-				
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>				...	...	4	16	-				
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>				...	...	37	6	9				
<i>Bridges (Act of 1877)</i>				...	...	3	3	-				
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>				...	...	50	-	-				
<i>Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>				...	...	23	2	-				
<i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund</i>				...	...	19	10	-				
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>				...	...	50	16	-				
									2,014	2	6	
Firemen's Wages—Two weeks to 22nd May, 1886—												
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>				...	...	...	...	1,992	11	11		
Weekly pensions, to 15th May, 1886—												
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>				...	..	...	...	4	10	-		
											4,011	4
1989 Petty disbursements, 3rd to 15th May, 1886—												
<i>a General Working Account</i>				..	...	£98	10	10				
<i>b Fire Brigade Working Account</i>				...	£9	4	11					
<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>				...	-	6	3					
								9	11	2		
<i>c General Working Account</i>				...	£3	5	3					
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>				...	-	6	-					
								3	11	3		
<i>d Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>				...	...	1	8	6				
<i>e Bridges (Acts of 1881)</i>				...	...	-	7	6				
<i>f Bridges (Act of 1883)</i>				...	...	2	11	4				
<i>g Thames Floods Prevention</i>				...	...	2	8	8				
<i>h Dwelling-house Improvement Fund</i>				...	...	-	7	-				
<i>i Consolidated Loans Fund</i>				...	...	1	3	-				
								119	19	3		
Compensation to tenants on removal—												
<i>j Streets (Act of 1877)</i>				...	£11	10	-					
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>				...	...	26	10	-				
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>				...	40	-	-					
								78	-	-		
Postage, 3rd to 15th May, 1886—												
<i>k General Working Account</i>				...	...	...	33	-	-			
										230	19	3
Special jury expenses—												
<i>l Re Mole (Walworth-road)—</i>												
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>				...	...	...	36	3	2			
Expenses at fires and incidentals, April, 1886—												
<i>m Fire Brigade Working Account</i>				...	...	207	12	6				
Premiums of insurance of sundry premises to Midsummer, 1887—												
<i>n Consolidated Loans Fund</i>				...	...	...	6	1	3			
										249	16	11
Amounts to be paid through the account—												
Bills for sums under £2—												
<i>o General Working Account—</i>												
Barr and Son—Seeds for Western pumping-station				...	£1	6	-					
Booker, J.—Repairs to tools, Tooting-common				...	-	16	1					
Burrell, F. W.—Repairs to tools—Clapham-common				...	-	7	3					
Crossley and Co., Limited—Repairs to machinery, Sewage experiments				...	-	15	-					
Freebody, M. J.—Rickers' poles, Southern open spaces				...	1	17	6					
Carried forward				...	£5	1	10			480	16	2
										25,770	17	11

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	...	25,770	17	11
TRANSFERS TO WAGES, &c. ACCOUNT—(continued)	£5	1	10	...	480	16	2			
Irwin, J. D.—Harness, &c., Finsbury park	-	7	-							
Neal, R.—Shrubs, Finsbury-park, &c.	1	10	-							
Newall, R. S., and Co., repairs to lightning conductor, Sewage experiments	1	6	9							
Rosher, J., and Co.—Silver-sand, Finsbury-park	1	2	-							
Spanton, C. W.—Timber for use at Southwark-park	-	16	8							
Whatecott, J.—Boots for gardener, Leicester-square-garden	1	3	-							
East London Waterworks Co.—Water for pond, Clapton-common... ..	-	15	-							
West Middlesex Waterworks Co.—Water for lodge, Wormwood-scrubs	-	15	-							
District Surveyors — Fees <i>re</i> Dangerous structures	10	15	-							
				23	12	3				
<i>p</i> Fire Brigade Working Account—										
Low and Duff—Cops for line throwing apparatus	£-	2	-							
New, D. and Co.—Repairs to vacuum gauge	1	8	6							
				1	10	6				
<i>q</i> Consolidated Loans Fund—										
Denman, J. A. and Burgess, W.—										
Return of amount in respect of deposit under tenancy agreement	1	7	-							
RATES AND TAXES for premises occupied by the Board or taken for improvements—										
<i>r</i> General Working Account				6	19	3				
<i>s</i> Fire Brigade Working Account				228	2	10				
<i>t</i> Bridges Maintenance Account				10	19	8				
<i>u</i> Dwelling-house Improvement Fund				1	18	-				
<i>v</i> Consolidated Loans Fund				14	7	-				
							288	16	6	
								769	12	8
								£26,540	10	7

Examined,
(signed)

T. G. FARDELL,
HENRY HARBEN,
W. URQUHART,
GEORGE JAMES,
DONALD MUNRO,
CHAS. MOSSOP.

Certified,
(signed)

A. GUNN,
Accountant.

The Return submitted with the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £26,540 10s. 7d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Fees specified in the Three summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to E inclusive,

and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Ashbridge, A.	2	2 - -	...	...	2 - -
2	Blashill, T.	2	1 10 -	...	...	1 10 -
3	Bovill, A.	1	1 2 6	...	...	1 2 6
4	Carritt, F.	6	5 15 -	1	- 7 6	6 2 6
5	Clarkson, J.	1	1 - -	...	...	1 - -
6	Conder, A.	2	1 10 -	...	...	1 10 -
7	Drury, E. D.	2	1 15 -	...	...	1 15 -
8	Elkington, G.	1	1 - -	...	...	1 - -
9	Fletcher, B.	10	10 2 6	...	...	10 2 6
10	Fowler, C.	5	3 15 -	1	- 7 6	4 2 6
11	Grose, V. J.	9	7 7 6	2	- 15 -	8 2 6
12	Gundry, H.	4	5 - -	...	...	5 - -
13	Hammon, H. J.	5	8 2 6	1	- 15 -	8 17 6
14	Hayward, C. F.	7	8 7 6	3	2 12 6	11 - -
15	Hewitt, E. R.	2	1 5 -	...	...	1 5 -
16	Jarvis, H.	12	8 5 -	...	...	8 5 -
17	Kerr, R.	2	4 10 -	...	...	4 10 -
18	Knightley, T. E.	3	2 7 6	...	...	2 7 6
19	Lansdown, G.	8	7 17 6	...	...	7 17 6
20	Large, W. A.	2	2 7 6	...	...	2 7 6
21	Legg, H. S.	4	5 2 6	...	...	5 2 6
22	McDonell, G.	7	5 17 6	1	- 12 6	6 10 -
23	Marsland, E.	1	2 7 6	...	...	2 7 6
24	Notley, R. P.	8	9 15 -	...	...	9 15 -
25	Parsons, H.	3	4 15 -	...	...	4 15 -
26	Payne, A.	2	1 15 -	1	- 7 6	2 2 6
27	Smith, T. R.	1	- 17 6	...	...	- 17 6
28	Stenning, A. R.	1	1 - -	3	1 10 -	2 10 -
29	Street, E.	5	3 2 6	3	1 2 6	4 5 -
30	Taberer, B.	1	- 15 -	...	...	- 15 -
31	Tanner, A. W.	5	3 15 -	...	...	3 15 -
32	Walker, R.	8	10 2 6	1	1 - -	11 2 6
33	Woodthorpe, E.	3	2 17 6	1	- 7 6	3 5 -
34	Woodward, J. A. J.	6	5 17 6	...	...	5 17 6
		141	143 - -	18	9 17 6	152 17 6

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the undermentioned expenses, incident to shoring and hoarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
33,737	128, Wandsworth-road, Lambeth	- 12 7
34,350	6, Horatio-street, Bethnal-green	3 12 6
34,407	Steam Saw Mills, Swan-street, Bethnal-green	1 12 9
34,554	2, Middle-row, Kensal-road, Chelsea	7 7 4
34,764	37, Moreland-street, St. Luke	7 11 6
34,976	30, Kensal-road, Paddington	- 7 4
35,063	73, Newburn-street, Lambeth	- 8 2
35,064	75, Do. do.	- 15 9
35,220	11, Dorset-road, Lambeth	3 1 -
35,192	91, Giraud-street, Poplar (Stable at the rear)	5 18 2
		£31 7 1

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for an advance of a sum of £1,000, to defray the cost of the purchase of a piece of land adjoining the Vestry Hall, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, within a period of Fifty-five years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for a Loan of a sum of £20,000, for the purposes of the Hampstead Improvements, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid within a period of Fifty-five years as follows—For the first Eight years one moiety of 1-55th part annually on each 31st January, and after that period 1-47th part of the principal then due, annually on each 31st January within a period of Forty-seven years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of Kensington, for permission to borrow and also for the advance of a sum of £5,650, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, be granted, to the extent of £5,600, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Westminster District Board, for an advance of a sum of £2,800, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and **resolved**—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Westminster District Board, for a Loan of a sum of £2,400, to defray the cost of asphalte-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments

on each 30th April, within a period of Seven years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, for a Loan of a sum of £4,000, to defray the cost of asphalte and wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th of April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Four years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Resolution of the Board of the 12th March last (No. 7), agreeing to advance to the Greenwich District Board the sum of £12,000 for granite-paving works, and £3,300 for wood-paving works, be not further acted upon, the Loan having been abandoned.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Greenwich District Board, for permission to borrow, and also for the Loan of a sum of £15,000, to defray the cost of paving works, be granted, on condition that the District Board do pay all the costs occasioned by the alteration of the Loan now abandoned, and take up the present Loan without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly, on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October, in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, as to £13,000, required for granite-paving, within a period of Twenty years, and as to £2,000, for wood-paving within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Greenwich District Board, for a Loan of a sum of £950 to defray the cost of the purchase of land near Deptford Bridge for the purposes of a street Improvement be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up at once, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 31st January, within a period of Fifty-five years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced by the Board out of the General Capital Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Return prepared in pursuance of an Order of the House of Commons, and now submitted, of expenses incurred by the Board during the years 1883, 1884 and 1885, in promoting and opposing Bills in Parliament, be approved, and that it be forwarded to the Home Secretary for presentation to Parliament.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £3 5s. 2d. be now drawn on the General Working Account in favour of Messrs. Aird and Sons, in lieu of the Cheque No. 5,731, drawn on 6th November, 1885, which has been lost, Messrs. Aird guaranteeing the Board against any loss in respect of the missing Cheque.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Working Account accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £600 be now drawn in favour of Messrs. Dyson and Co., on account of their Parliamentary disbursements.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Working Account accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following Cheque which have been drawn longer than Three months, be now cancelled—

Streets (Act of 1877).

No. 8632—1886, 15th February. Phillips, J. and J. £19 0 0

Streets (Act of 1883).

„ 785—1886, 8th February. Phillips, J. and J. 26 0 0

2. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 24th May, 1886.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn the following Cheques—

<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers.</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Neagle (Deptford)—(1501)—</i>							
Sandom, Kersey and Knight—							
1282	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	19	2	10			
1283	Proportion of apportioned Rent of						
	No. 112, Church-street, Dept-						
	ford, from 26th January to						
	Lady-day, 1886	£2	18	4			
	Land-tax, one year to 5th April, 1886	—	5	8			
					3	4	—
							22 6 10
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>							
<i>Re Eborall (Battersea)—(1502)—</i>							
Mead and Sons—							
61	Costs of Title and Conveyance						16 8 4
<i>Streets (Act of 1872).</i>							
<i>Re Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Harrow-road)—(1503</i>							
<i>and 1504)—</i>							
Lee, Bolton and Lee—							
4851	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	17	—	—			
4852	Amount of quit-rents in respect of sundry Copy-						
	hold interests to dates of Enfranchisement	11	3	4			
							28 3 4
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>							
<i>Re Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Kentish-town-road)—</i>							
<i>(1505 and 1506)—</i>							
Lee, Bolton and Lee—							
8803	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	22	—	—			
8804	Amount of quit-rents in respect of sundry Copy-						
	hold interests to dates of Enfranchisement	8	9	3			
<i>Re Pickard (Charing-cross)—(1507)—</i>							
Vickery, T. G.—							
8805	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	8	12	8			
	Carried forward	£39	1	11			66 18 6

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	39	1	11	66	18	6
<i>Re Delbarre (Charing-cross)—(1508)—</i>								
Chapman, J. J.—								
8806	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	5	5	-			
<i>Re Hodgkin (Charing-cross)—(1509)—</i>								
Cooke, W. C.—								
8807	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	4	3	8			
<i>Re Lavers (Charing-cross)—(1510)—</i>								
Cooke, W. C.—								
8808	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	4	3	8			
<i>Re London Nelson Club Trustees (Charing-cross)—(1511)—</i>								
Humphreys, James; Cain, Louis; and Titchmarsh, Fredk.; per Rye, Eyre and Willoughby—								
8809	Compensation for tenancy in premises at the rear of No. 18, Denmark-street	...	50	-	-			
8810	Pettit, Son, and Byrne— Surveyors' Fee...	...	3	3	-			
8811	Rye, Eyre and Willoughby— Preliminary Costs	...	2	2	-			
<i>Re Pickard (Charing-cross)—(1456)</i>								
Isidore, L.—								
8812	Assistance on Trade Claim	...	8	-	-			
						115	19	3
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re E. J. Ward (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1512)</i>								
Bloomsbury and General Benefit Building Society—								
1028	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 1 and 2, Helen's-place	...	180	-	-			
Fuller and Fuller—								
1029	Surveyors' Fee	...	7	7	-			
<i>Re Edwin Ward (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1513)—</i>								
Bishop, James—								
1030	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of yard and shed in Helen's-place	...	154	-	-			
Fuller and Fuller—								
1031	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	7	7	-			
<i>Re Newbon and Harding (Upper-street, Islington)— (1514)—</i>								
Boulton, Sons and Sandeman—								
1032	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	14	2	4			
<i>Re Edwin Ward (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1515)—</i>								
Bishop, James—								
1033	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of premises in Helen's-place	...	376	-	-			
Fuller and Fuller—								
1034	Surveyors' Fee	...	11	11	-			
	Carried forward	...	£750	7	4	182	17	9

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	750	7	4	182	17	9
<i>Re Beer (Bermondsey)—(1516)—</i>								
Beer, Isaac—								
1035	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in No. 3, Grange-road, less abatement, as per Order of Committee	...	325	-	-			
Notley, R. A.—								
1036	Surveyor's Fee	...	11	11	-			
<i>Re H. R. Ward (Bermondsey)—(1517)—</i>								
Claxton and Hamilton—								
1037	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	3	3	-			
<i>Re Price and Grimsdell (Upper-street, Islington)—(1518)—</i>								
Price, Harry, and Grimsdell, Henry—								
1038	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 288, Upper-street, and premises in Florence-street...	...	328	-	-			
Henshaw, J.—								
1039	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	10	10	-			
<i>Re Harding and Rogers (Upper-street, Islington)—(1519)—</i>								
Elcum and Lemon—								
1040	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	43	10	-			
<i>Re E. and E. J. Ward (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—1520)—</i>								
Bank of England—								
1041	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 19, Green-street	...	400	-	-			
Fuller and Fuller—								
1042	Surveyors' Fee	...	11	11	-			
<i>Re Harris (Bermondsey)—(1521)—</i>								
Harris, Peter Jabez								
1043	Compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 13, Bermondsey-new-road	...	300	-	-			
Baines, C., and Ball—								
1044	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	9	9	-			
<i>Re Mole (Walworth-road)—(1522)—</i>								
Mole, Wm.—								
1045	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in forge and office in Eagle-yard	...	675	-	-			
<i>Re St. Mary, Newington, Charity Trustees (Walworth-road)—(1523)—</i>								
Phillips, J. and J.—								
1046	Stamp-duty on Conveyance	...	25	15	-			
<i>Re Hurlock (Walworth-road)—(1455 and 1457)—</i>								
Assistance on trade claim—								
1047	Gait, J. J....	...	8	8	-			
1048	Coleing, C.	...	42	-	-			
<i>Re Horton (Upper-street, Islington)—(1458)—</i>								
Nix, F.—								
1049	Assistance on trade claim	...	10	10	-			
						2,954 14 4		
Carried forward								
						£3,137 12 1		

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...				3,137	12	1
	<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>							
<i>Re</i>	Haward—(1524)—							
	Martineau and Reid—							
	374 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	20	15	-			
<i>Re</i>	Emerson—(1525)—							
	Seymour, E.—							
	375 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	4	18	-			
<i>Re</i>	Hately—(1526)—							
	Hately, James—							
	376 Purchase-money and compensation for yearly tenancy in premises in Little Church-row	...	245	-	-			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
	377 Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	8	8	-			
<i>Re</i>	Roberts—(1527)—							
	Roberts, John, and Roberts, Mrs.—							
	378 Purchase-money and compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 3, Bradley's-buildings	...	130	-	-			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
	379 Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	6	6	-	415	7	-
	<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>							
<i>Re</i>	Liddle—(1528)—							
	Liddle, G. C.—							
	25 Purchase-money for Copyhold interest in Nos. 261 and 263, High-street	...	1,600	-	-			
	Saunders, M. L.—							
	26 Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	22	1	-			
<i>Re</i>	Gilbert—(1529)—							
	Digby and Liddle—							
	27 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	14	17	-	1,636	18	-
	<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>							
<i>Re</i>	Lanning (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)--(1530)—							
	Chester, E.—							
	5805 Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	6	16	8			
<i>Re</i>	Paterson and Pascoe (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—							
	(1531)—							
	Nickerson, A.—							
	5806 Surveyor's Fee	...	4	4	-			
<i>Re</i>	Wells (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(1532)—							
	Sandom, Kersey and Knight—							
	5807 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	12	19	8			
<i>Re</i>	Hughes (Hughes-fields, Deptford)—(1533)—							
	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 15 to 18, Butcher's-row—							
	5808 Pugh, G. K.	...	£225	-	-			
	5809 Hughes, John	...	98	-	-	323	-	-
	Hughes, John—							
	5810 Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	10	10	-			
	Carried forward	...	£357	10	4	5,189	17	1

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	357	10	4	5,189	17	1
<i>Re</i> Vaughan, (Tench-street)—(1534)— Vincent, R.—								
5811	Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	10	13	2			
<i>Re</i> Shaw (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1535) Shaw, H. B.—								
5812	Purchase-money for Freehold interest in No. 12, Lower East-street	...	240	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Perryman (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1536) Bank of England—								
5813	Purchase-money for Freehold interest in No. 7, Trafalgar-road	...	420	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Wells-street, Poplar, Scheme—(1461)— Driver, R. C.—								
5814	Arbitrator's charges <i>re</i> "Exchange" Tavern, as per Certificate of the Home Secretary	...	16	3	-	1,044	6	6

Consolidated Loans Fund.

<i>Re</i> Wilkinson (Walworth-road)—(1538)— Wilkinson, J. H.—								
1591	Property-tax in respect of three-quarters' rent of No. 32, Draper-street, to Lady-day, 1886	...	2	12	6			
	Amounts returnable in respect of deposits made on expiration of tenancy Agreements—(1491 and 1492)—							
1592	Cooper, H.— <i>Re</i> No. 20, Moor-street, Soho	...	11	13	4			
1593	Stevens, Mrs. P. C. M.— <i>Re</i> No. 16, Hemming's-row, including Property tax	...	67	14	-	81	19	10
						£6,316	3	5

Your Committee have also drawn Cheques as follows in lieu of a Cheque for £822, cancelled in consequence of having been in hand longer than Three months—

Streets (Act of 1883).

<i>Re</i> Brockwell (Bermondsey)—(3271—1885)—								
1050	Brockwell, Mrs. Eliza	...	£470	11	4			
1051	Brockwell, Mrs. Eliza	...	58	-	-			
1052	Brockwell, Mrs. Eliza	...	58	-	-			
1053	Brockwell, Mrs. Eliza	...	235	8	8	£822	-	-

Your Committee submit, for the information of the Board, a marked Catalogue and Account of sale of old building materials of premises in Tench-street, Lower Green-alley, Knight's-court, Church-gardens, &c. (Tench-street scheme), by Messrs. Horne, Son and Eversfield, on 16th March, 1886—

Gross proceeds of sale	...	...	...	£412	2	-
Commission, £7 10s. per cent.	...	...	...	30	18	-
Amount received by Board, 13th May, 1886...	...	...	...	£381	4	-

Your Committee also submit a form, in triplicate, of License to the Trustees of the Will of Mr. H. S. Thornton, deceased, to build over the Putney to Clapham Relief Sewer at Battersea-rise, and they recommend that the Seal of the Board be affixed thereto.

Your Committee have proceeded on the Resolution of the Board of the 16th ultimo (No. 5), instructing them to ascertain and report as to the amount with which the Fire Brigade Capital Account should be charged for the cost of the ground required for the purposes of a new Station to be erected upon ground belonging to the Board in Green-street, Bethnal-green. Your Committee have received a Report from your Superintending Architect on the matter, and they now beg to submit a Plan of the proposed site, and to recommend—

That the Fire Brigade Capital Account be charged with the amount of the Superintending Architect's valuation of the land already acquired, together with the cost of two properties necessary to be taken for the purposes of the Station.

Under the reference made to them of the Letter from Mr. Vulliamy, resigning his office of Superintending Architect, your Committee instructed your Accountant to report to them the amount of Retiring Allowance to be granted to that Officer. Mr. Vulliamy was appointed by the Board on 15th March, 1861, and has consequently completed 25 years' service. The Superannuation Act of 1866 (29 and 30 Vic. c. 31) prescribes that the Board may grant to any Officer in their service, in an established capacity, who shall have served for ten years and upwards, and who shall have become incapable of discharging the duties of his office by reason of permanent infirmity of mind or body, or of old age (exceeding 60 years) an annual allowance equivalent to $\frac{1}{60}$ th of his salary for each year of service. The Act further gives power to increase the allowance by adding a number of years, not exceeding ten, to the number actually served, in cases where the person appointed shall, at the time of his appointment, have been beyond the age of 30 years, and for the efficient discharge of his duties shall possess qualifications not ordinarily to be acquired in the Board's service. Giving Mr. Vulliamy the full benefit of the 5th Clause of the Act to which your Committee consider he is entitled, his Retiring Allowance would be $\frac{33}{100}$ ths of £1,750 or £1,020 16s. 8d. per annum, and your Committee recommend—

That a Retiring Allowance of that amount be granted to Mr. Vulliamy from the date at which his resignation takes effect, namely, the 29th September next.

Your Committee have considered the Memorial, referred to them on the 23rd October last (No. 3), from the Strand Improvement Association, asking the Board to devise measures for improving the Strand between the Churches of St. Clement Danes and St. Mary-le-Strand. Your Committee do not now express any opinion as to the merits of the proposed Improvement, but after careful consideration they recommend—

That the Association be informed, in reply to their Memorial, that the Board are not prepared, at present, to accede to the application.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 19th March last (No. 43), from the Westminster District Board, requesting this Board to make such provision in their Various Powers Bill of next Session as will authorise the formation by the Board of approaches to the Charing-cross Foot-bridge, on the level from the Strand. Your Committee are not prepared to advise the Board to comply with the request, and they recommend—

That the District Board be informed to that effect.

Your Committee have considered the Memorial, referred to them on the 5th March last (No. 2), from the Vestry of Bermondsey, praying the Board to take immediate steps to complete the Jamaica-road Improvement, and to obtain from Parliament an extension of the time for compulsory purchase, limited by the Street Improvements Act of 1877, or, in the alternative, a re-enactment of that Statute, so far as regards the South side of the Improvement. Your Committee have also considered the Memorials from inhabitants and others on the same subject, referred to them on the 24th July last (Nos. 2 and 39), and 5th March last (No. 2). Upon a consideration of all the circumstances, your

Committee do not think that the Board are in a position, at present, to comply with the request, and they recommend—

That the Vestry and the other Memorialists be so informed.

Your Committee have again considered the Letter, referred to them on the 9th April last (No. 43), from the Vestry of Shoreditch, requesting the approval by the Board of an Improvement they proposed to effect in Nile-street, as shown on the Plan accompanying their Letter, at an estimated cost, including works, of £1,000, and asking the Board to contribute one moiety of the cost. The matter, it will be remembered, was included in your Committee's Report to the Board on Friday last, and was then referred back to them. From the Report of your Superintending Architect, it appears that about 2,133 superficial feet of land will be added to the public way, of which 1,980 feet (coloured Blue on the Plan) are to be given up by the Owners, the joint Trustees of the Parishes of St. Luke and Cripplegate, and will be taken over by the Parish. The remaining 153 feet (coloured Yellow on the Plan) will have to be purchased. Nile-street at this point is only 10 feet wide, and it will be increased to 20 feet. Your Committee have viewed the locality, and concur in your Superintending Architect's opinion that the Improvement is a desirable one, and the cost fair and reasonable. They recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost, (£800,) of the property acquired by the Vestry of Shoreditch for the purposes of the proposed Improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £400, to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred by the Board on the 11th December last (No. 25), from the Vestry of Kensington, stating that they proposed to carry out certain works and improvements in the Parish, and expressing a hope that the Board would contribute towards the cost of effecting the same. The Improvements in question are the following—

	Estimate.
Repair, &c., Tavistock-crescent, Foot-bridge	£1,000
Improvement, Church-street, Kensington	350
Improvement, Treadgold-street, Notting-dale	650
Improvement, opening up a communication between Lexham-gardens and Cornwall-gardens	1,800
Improvement, Silver-street	2,500
St. Ann's-road, widening	1,238

Your Committee have viewed the several localities, and have received Reports from your Engineer and your Superintending Architect with regard to the first four of the above, with which alone they propose to deal in this Report, and they now beg to submit the following recommendations—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£1,000) of the re-construction by the Vestry of Kensington of the Foot-bridge at Tavistock-crescent, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £500, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Engineer of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£350) of an Improvement proposed to be carried out by the Vestry of Kensington, in Church-street, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £175, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such condition apply.

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£650) of an Improvement proposed to be carried out by the Vestry of Kensington, at Treadgold-street, Notting-dale, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £325, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£1,800) of an Improvement proposed to be carried out by the Vestry of Kensington, by the opening up of a communication between Lexham-gardens and Cornwall-gardens, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £900, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

Your Committee reserve for a future Report the subject of the Improvements in Silver-street and St. Ann's-road.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter, referred by the Board on the 14th instant (No. 10), from the Vestry of Hammersmith, asking the Board to insert a Clause in one of their Bills before Parliament, to enable the Vestries and District Boards to repair roads without prejudice to the subsequent recovery of expenses of paving such roads as new streets. Your Committee are not prepared to advise the Board to accede to the request, and they recommend—

That the Vestry be informed to that effect.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 2nd ultimo (No. 36), from the Acton Local Board of Health, stating that they were desirous that the Stamford-brook Sewer should be covered over between the points A and B shown on the Plan accompanying their Letter, and also stating that they were willing to contribute one-half of the expense if this Board would provide the other half, the estimate of the total cost being £500. Your Committee have conferred with your Engineer, who has reported fully on the matter, and they have now to recommend—

That the Acton Local Board be informed that the Board are not prepared to agree to their suggestion.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. McGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
GEO. EDWARDS,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. SHEPHERD,
DONALD MUNRO.

The marked Catalogue and Account of sales of building materials of premises in Tench-street, Lower Green-alley, Knight's-court, Church-gardens, &c. (Tench-street Scheme), the License to build over the Putney, &c., Sewer, and the Plan of the site for the new Fire Brigade Station in Green-street, Bethnal-green, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Seal of the Board be affixed to the License, in triplicate, now submitted, to the Trustees of the Will of Mr. H. S. Thornton, deceased, to build over the Putney to Clapham Relief Sewer at Battersea-rise; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Fire Brigade Capital Account be charged with the amount of the Superintending Architect's valuation of the land already acquired in the line of the Green-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement, and proposed to be appropriated as a site for the new Fire Brigade Station, and also with the cost of the two other properties necessary to be taken for the purposes of the Station.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and **resolved**—That a Retiring Allowance of £1,020 16s. 8d. per annum be granted to Mr. Vulliamy, Superintending Architect, from the date at which his resignation takes effect, namely, the 29th September next.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Strand Improvement Association be informed, in reply to their Memorial, asking the Board to devise measures for improving the Strand between the Churches of St. Clement Danes and St. Mary-le-Strand, that the Board are not prepared, at present, to accede to the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Westminster District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter, requesting the Board to make such provision in their Various Powers Bill of next Session as will authorise the formation by this Board of approaches to the Charing-cross Foot-bridge, on the level from the Strand, that the Board are not prepared to comply with the request.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the Vestry of Bermondsey, and others who have addressed the Board on the subject of completion and continuation of the Jamaica-road Improvement, be informed that the Board are unable, at present, to comply with the request.

The **motion** having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£800) of the property acquired by the Vestry of Shoreditch, for the purposes of an Improvement in Nile-street, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £400, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£1,000) of the re-construction by the Vestry of Kensington of the Foot-bridge at Tavistock-crescent, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £500, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Engineer of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£350) of an Improvement proposed to be carried out by the Vestry of Kensington, in Church-street, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £175, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was **moved** by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and **resolved**—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£650) of an Improvement proposed to be carried out by the Vestry of Kensington, at Treadgold-street, Notting-dale, such contribution not to

exceed the sum of £325, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£1,800) of an Improvement proposed to be carried out by the Vestry of Kensington, by the opening up of a communication between Lexham-gardens and Cornwall-gardens, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £900, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry of Hammersmith be informed in reply to their Letter asking the Board to insert in one of their Bills before Parliament a Clause to enable Vestries and District Boards to repair roads, without prejudice to the subsequent recovery of expenses of paving such roads as new streets, that the Board are not prepared to accede to the request.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Acton Local Board of Health be informed that the Board are not prepared to agree to their suggestion that the Board should pay one-half of the cost of covering over the Stamford-brook Sewer, between the points A and B, as shown on the Plan accompanying their Letter.

3. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 18th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, in accordance with the reference made to them on the 7th instant (No. 4), they have considered the Letter from the Vestry of Saint Pancras, requesting the Board to revoke their Order of the 12th February last, relating to the incorporation of Ascham-street with Dunollie-road, and to issue one in lieu thereof for the incorporation of Dunollie-road with Ascham-street, and the Memorial from Owners of property and householders in Dunollie-road, requesting that when the Letter from the Vestry of St. Pancras should be under consideration, due regard might be had to the Act regulating such Orders, and that, as the time for carrying out the Order had elapsed, it might not be renewed. The Memorialists state that the houses in both streets are at present properly numbered, and that neither of the names is in use elsewhere. The Order of the 12th February was made at the request of the Vestry, and your Committee see no reason for departing from it. They accordingly recommend—

That no alteration be made in the Order of the Board of the 12th February last, for the incorporation of Ascham-street with Dunollie-road, and that the Vestry of St. Pancras and the Memorialists be so informed.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the Letter from Mr. J. G. Hickson, transmitting a Memorial from the inhabitants of Chalcot-gardens, Hampstead, against the Order of the Board for the incorporation of Chalcot-gardens with England's-lane, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 55). In February last an Order was issued for re-numbering the houses in England's-lane, and for incorporating Chalcot-gardens with that thoroughfare. The Order has been carried into effect, except so far as relates to Chalcot-gardens, and the Memorialists now ask that no further action may be taken in the matter. Your Committee, however, adhere to their opinion arrived at when the subject was first considered, and they recommend—

That no alteration be made in the Order of the Board of the 26th February last, for the

incorporation of Chalcot-gardens, Hampstead, with England's-lane, and that Mr. Hickson be so informed.

Your Committee have also to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATIONS.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.
12th January, 1885.	Vestry of St. Pancras, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Parish.
2nd January, 1886.	Vestry of Islington, that the subsidiary names in Hornsey-rise may be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.
21st January, 1886.	Mr. E. Bennett, that Upper Barnsbury-street may be incorporated with Barnsbury-street, and the houses re-numbered.
8th April, 1886.	Vestry of Islington, that a name may be assigned to a street between Ashley-road and Warltersville-road, Hornsey-rise.

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the subsidiary names in Bowater-place, Old Dover-road, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in Russell-place, Old Dover-road, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Bute-street, Kensington, be re-numbered.

That Farm-street, North Kensington, be re-named "Farmer-street, W."

That St. James'-street, North Kensington, be re-named "Jameson-street, W."

That Chapel-street, Great Portland-street, be re-named "Gildea-street, W."

That Charles-street, Portman-square, be re-named "King's-place, W."

That George-street, Langham-street, be re-named "Gosfield-street, W."

That George-yard, Upper George-street, St. Marylebone, be re-named "Allextion-yard, W."

That Market-street, Oxford-street, be re-named "Binstead-street, W."

That Union-yard, Oxford-street, be re-named "Tapnell-yard, W."

That York-street, Foley-street, St. Marylebone, be re-named "Candover-street, W."

That Duke's-terrace, Malden-road, St. Pancras, be incorporated with Rhyl-street, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Howland-street, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That the houses in London-street, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Phoenix-street, St. Pancras, be re-numbered.

That no alteration be made in the numbering of the houses in St. Paul's-road, Camdentown, and that the Vestry of St. Pancras be so informed.

That the subsidiary names in Hornsey-rise be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That Upper Barnsbury-street be incorporated with Barnsbury-street, and the houses in Upper Barnsbury-street re-numbered.

That the street by the side of St. Mary's Church, between Ashley-road and Warltersville-road, Hornsey-rise, be named "Highcroft-road, N."

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

A. EWIN,
JOHN RUNTZ,
W. R. SELWAY,
WM. SHEPHERD,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby, and **resolved**—That no alteration be made in the Order of the Board of the 12th February last, for the incorporation of Ascham-street with Dunollie-road, and that the Vestry of St. Pancras and the Memorialists be so informed.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby, and **resolved**—That no alteration be made in the Order of the Board of the 26th February last, for the incorporation of Chalcot-gardens, Hampstead, with England's-lane, and that Mr. Hickson be so informed.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Bowater-place, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,703, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 21, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 48, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Jessamine-cottages, Grove-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Bowater-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Bowater-place, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Russell-place, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,704, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 35, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 44, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Leonard-terrace, St. John's-place, Russell-place East, Alexandra-cottages, Elm-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Russell-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Russell-place, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Bute-street, in the Parish of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced marked 3,705,

in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 31, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 22, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Bute-street, S.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Farm-street, in the Parish of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Farmer-street, W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That St. James's-street, in the Parish of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, re-named "Jameson-street, W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Chapel-street, Great Portland-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Gildea-street, W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Charles-street, Portman-square, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "King's-place, W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That George-street, Langham-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Gosfield-street, W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That George-yard, Upper George-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Allextion-yard, W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Market-street, Oxford-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Binstead-street, W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Union-yard, Oxford-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Tapnell-yard, W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That York-street, Foley-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named “Candover-street, W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Duke’s-terrace, Malden-road, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,706, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 45 and ending with 87, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 34 and ending with 74, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the name Duke’s-terrace, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Rhyl-street, N.W.,” in continuation of the existing street of that name, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Howland-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,707, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 55, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 60, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence on the Eastern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Howland-street, W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of London-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,708, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 63, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 56, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “London-street, W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Phoenix-street, in the Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,709, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 35, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 22, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Phoenix-street, N.W.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby, and **resolved**—That no alteration be made in the numbering of the houses in St. Paul’s-road, Camden-town, and that the Vestry of St. Pancras be so informed.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved**, and **ordered** on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Hornsey-rise, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan, now produced, marked 3,710, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 87, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 66, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Rose-cottages, Victoria-terrace, Garston-terrace, Grove-villas, Balmain-terrace, Shaftesbury-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Hornsey-rise, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Hornsey-rise, N.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 18th day of May, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Upper Barnsbury-street, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,711, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 55 and ending with 111, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 24 and ending with 62, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the name Upper Barnsbury-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Barnsbury-street, N.,” in continuation of the existing street of that name, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby, and **resolved**—That the application of the Vestry of Islington for the naming of the street by the side of St. Mary’s Church, between Ashley-road and Warltersville-road, Hornsey-rise, be complied with, and the said street be named “Highcroft-road, N.”

4. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 25th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration the question of the appointment of an additional Gas Examiner, rendered necessary by the provision of an additional Testing-place, in the District of the Gas Light and Coke Company, at No. 116, Lambeth-road. Your Committee have had before them four candidates whose fitness for the post had been practically tested and, having carefully considered their qualifications, your Committee recommend—

That Dr. Frank Litherland Teed be appointed as Gas Examiner at a salary of £100 per annum.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mrs. Mary Moore, for registration under the Infant Life Protection Act. The necessary Certificate of character has been submitted by the applicant, and the accommodation provided is sufficient for the number of Infants proposed to be kept. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the application of Mrs. Mary Moore, for registration under the Infant Life

Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 37, Alson-road, Seven Sisters'-road, Islington, be granted, and that the Board do make a Bye-law fixing 3 as the number of Infants allowed to be kept.

Your Committee have also had under consideration an application for registration from Mrs. Emily Herring. They are of opinion that the accommodation provided is not such as is required for the health of the Infants, and they therefore recommend—

That the application of Mrs. Emily Herring, for registration for the keeping of 2 Infants at No. 74, Wells-street, Oxford-street, St. Marylebone, be not granted.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration an application from Messrs. Kingsford, Field and Co., for the renewal of their Petroleum License. The conditions of storage continue satisfactory and your Committee recommend—

That a License be granted to Messrs. Kingsford, Field and Co. for a period of 12 months from the 28th instant, to keep 6,500 gallons of Petroleum at their premises at Lombard-road, Battersea, in accordance with the terms of the draft License submitted.

Your Committee also submit a list of 72 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and recommend—

That in 54 cases Licenses be granted to keep quantities not exceeding 10 gallons at the places named, and in accordance with the conditions of License No. 91, that in 4 cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum in stores situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90; and that in 14 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum, in the manner described in such Licenses.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
 GEORGE PHILLIPS,
 JOHN RUNTZ,
 F. M. WENBORN,
 W. J. WETENHALL.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, submitted by the Committee, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Dr. Frank Litherland Teed be, pursuant to the provisions of the Commercial Gas Act, 1875, of the Gas Light and Coke Company's Act, 1876, and of the South Metropolitan Gas Light and Coke Company's Act, 1876, appointed a Gas Examiner for the several Testing-places within the jurisdiction of the Board, of the Commercial Gas Company, of the Gas Light and Coke Company, and of the South Metropolitan Gas Company; that his salary be £100 per annum; that he be required to discharge personally the duties of his office; that he be subject to such control and supervision as to the Testings to be made, and the duties to be discharged, as the Board may from time to time direct; that his appointment do continue during the pleasure of the Board, and be subject to any alteration which may be made, either by Parliament or otherwise; and that he be not entitled to compensation in the event of the abolition or change of his office.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mrs. Mary Moore be registered under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at No. 37, Alson-road, Seven Sisters'-road, Islington, and that the Board do hereby make a Bye-law fixing three as the number of Infants to be kept at such premises.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application from Mrs. Emily Herring, for registration for the keeping of two Infants at No. 74, Wells-street, Oxford-street, St. Marylebone, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That a License be granted to Messrs. Kingsford, Field and Co., for a period of twelve months from this date, to

keep 6,500 gallons of Petroleum at their premises at Lombard-road, Battersea, in accordance with the terms of the draft License now submitted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the Seventy-two persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

5. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, Executive Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1878, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 25th May, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the claims of 9 owners in respect of 34 animals slaughtered in consequence of having been affected with Pleuro-pneumonia, and that they have awarded sums amounting to £416 5s as compensation for such animals. The sum of £164 17s. 3d. has been received for the carcasses, hides, &c., of the animals, leaving the net cost to the Board, £251 7s. 9d.

Your Committee have further to report that they have examined the claims of 3 owners in respect of 37 swine slaughtered in consequence of having been affected with swine (typhoid) fever, and that they have awarded sums amounting to £30 4s. 3d. as compensation for such animals.

Statements of the amounts awarded have been forwarded to the Finance Committee for payment.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALRED POCOCK,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
JOHN RUNTZ,
F. M. WENBORN,
W. J. WETENHALL.

The Report having been read,

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received.

6. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 25th May, 1886.

Your Solicitor has reported to your Committee that it is desirable that the Board should have the opportunity of suggesting amendments in the River Lee Purification Bill when it comes before the House of Lords, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That a Petition be presented to the House of Lords against the Bill.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W. R. SELWAY,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
JOHN RUNTZ,
DONALD MUNRO.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Petition be presented to the House of Lords against the Lee River Purification Bill.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th May, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the Vestry of Hampstead—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
Burrard and Ingham Roads, Woodbine Estate, West Hampstead	703 609 127	3' 0" × 2' 0" 15-inch 12 "	1 brick pipe "	} Recommended as applied for

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Vestry of Hampstead be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th May, 1886, on an application by the Westminster District Board, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1886. 26th May	Rochester-row Caxton and Palmer Streets	Paving do.	4 weeks 3 weeks	4 weeks 3 weeks	The routes shown upon the Plans accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the Westminster District Board, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 23th May, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of Fulham, relative to the large quantity of steam emanating from the sewer gratings in Church-street and King's-road; stating that the steam complained of was that which was let off at or near the Fulham Station of the District Railway from the Company's locomotives, and that the same evil existed at the Company's Kensington Station, and recommending that a communication should be addressed to the Company on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that a communication be addressed to the Company accordingly.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th May, 1886, stating that it having been reported to him that Messrs. Hobbs and Company in excavating for the purpose of forming the foundations of intended buildings in close proximity to the main King's Scholars' Pond Sewer at Carlisle-place, Westminster, had caused a crack in the brickwork, he had written to them requiring that they would take all proper steps to secure the safety of the Sewer, and informing them that they would be held responsible by the Board for any damage that had arisen or might arise to the Sewer in consequence of the works; submitting Messrs. Hobbs and Co.'s reply, and further stating that he had ascertained that they were taking greater precautions for the protection of the Sewer, and recommending that the matter should be referred to the Works, &c., Committee, with power to take such further action therein as might be found necessary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th May, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal were required for use at the undermentioned Pumping Stations—

<i>Crossness Station.</i>						ESTIMATE.		
250 Tons of	Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	£230	4	2
500	„ Harrison's Hard Steam Coal	...	...	...	...	406	5	0
500	„ Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	352	1	8
<i>Western Station.</i>								
80 Tons of	Welsh Coal	...	...	...	...	72	6	8
80	„ Tanfield Moor Coal	...	...	...	...	56	6	8
Total		...	...	...	...	£1,117	4	2

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th May, 1886, recommending the execution of the following work under the General Contract—

<i>Barking Reservoir.</i>				ESTIMATE.		
Shoring the arches of the Reservoir under the Mills and Engines used in deodorising the Sewage				...	...	...
				£200	-	-

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

13. It was *moved* by Mr. Harben, seconded, and *resolved*—That the motion by Mr. Fardell, notice of which appears in the paper of business, be now considered.

The Chairman ruled that, having regard to the Resolution of Friday last (No. 11) deferring until after the Whitsuntide recess, the further consideration of the subject of withdrawing that part of the Fire Brigade Expenses Bill which proposed an increase in the contributions of the Fire Insurance Companies, the motion of which Mr. Fardell had given notice, was not in order.

14. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill had been considered by an unopposed Committee of the House of Commons, presided over by the Chairman of Ways and Means, on Friday last and passed by the Committee, and that the Bill was awaiting third reading.
15. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill, in the House of Commons, had been adjourned until the 25th June.
16. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill, in the House of Commons, had been appointed for the 2nd June.
17. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis), Bill (Mr. Dixon Hartland) in the House of Commons, had been further adjourned until the 3rd June.
18. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill (Mr. Kimber) had been appointed for the 25th June.
19. The Solicitor reported that the second reading in the House of Commons of the Fires Prevention, Metropolis, Bill (Mr. Spensley), had been adjourned until the 25th June.
20. The Solicitor reported that the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill had been

appointed to a Select Committee of the House of Lords, consisting of the following Peers—

The Duke of Richmond, Chairman.
 Earl Dundonald,
 Lord Camoys,
 Lord Cloncurry, and
 Lord Chelmsford;

that the Committee would meet for the first time on the 31st instant; that the Bill stood first on the list for consideration, and that the following Petitions had been presented—

Strand District Board of Works (against the Bill),
 Vestry of St. Mary, Islington (against the Bill), and
 St. Saviour's District Board of Works (for amendments).

21. The Solicitor reported that the Electric Lighting Act, 1882 Amendment (No. 1) Bill (Lord Rayleigh); the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Amendment (No. 2) Bill (Lord Ashford); the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Amendment (No. 3) Bill (Lord Houghton), were still under consideration by a Select Committee of the House of Lords, and that the Committee would meet again on Monday next
22. The Solicitor reported that the Lee River Purification Bill was awaiting third reading in the House of Commons.
23. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the pollution of the River Lee had met on the 2nd instant, when Mr. Bryan, the Engineer to the East London Waterworks Company, had given evidence. The Solicitor further stated that the Committee would meet again on the 1st June.
24. The Solicitor reported that the consideration of the Compulsory Purchase of Land Compensation Bill (Mr. M'Laren), in Committee of the whole House of Commons had been adjourned until the 3rd June.
25. The Solicitor reported that the Public Parks and Works (Metropolis) Bill, which proposed to authorise the transfer to this Board, and the maintenance of certain public Parks and works in the Metropolis, had been introduced by the Government, and read a first time in the House of Commons on Friday last, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 3rd June, and he suggested that the Board might consider it desirable to refer the Bill to the Works and General Purposes Committee and the Parliamentary Committee, in order that it might be reported upon as soon as a copy of the Bill had been obtained.
 It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Bill be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, and the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report, and that a copy of the Bill be sent to each Member of the Board.
26. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.
 It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.
27. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan Police Stations Bill was awaiting the Royal Assent.

28. The Solicitor reported that the arrangements as to the undermentioned Loans had been duly completed, and that the Cheques had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities—

					AMOUNT OF LOAN.
St. Pancras Vestry	...	...	...	...	£5,800
Lambeth Guardians	...	...	...	...	7,000
Hampstead Guardians	...	...	...	...	1,500
Chelsea Vestry	...	...	...	...	7,000

29. The Solicitor reported that the Chairman had, since the last Meeting of the Board, affixed the Seal to their Petition to the House of Lords against the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Bill, and that the same had been duly deposited.

30. The Solicitor reported that the Hampstead-heath Enlargement Bill had been appointed to the unopposed Committee, presided over by the Chairman of Ways and Means, on the 2nd June.

31. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill, introduced by Colonel Hughes, M.P., and stated that it had been read a first time, and stood for second reading this evening; and that Mr. Cook, M.P., had placed a notice on the business paper of the House of Commons that on the motion for the second reading of the Bill he would move that it be read a second time upon that day six months.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the Report be received.

After discussion the *motion* was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

32. The Solicitor reported that the Arbitrator had made his Award on the claim of Mr. Little for compensation, under the Thames Floods Prevention Act, in respect of property at Wandsworth, and that a Cheque should now be drawn for £169 19s. 9d., the amount of the Arbitrator's and Assessor's Fees, and the costs of the Award.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £169 19s. 9d. be now drawn in favour of Messrs. Freshfield and Williams; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Floods Prevention Account accordingly.

33. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £10,000 to the Vestry of Chelsea, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, and a Cheque for £12 10s. for Stamp-duty.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Mossop, and *resolved* and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some, or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works, for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry under the first mentioned Act within the said Parish, of a sum of Ten thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying part of the expense incurred, or to be incurred by the said Vestry, in erecting, on a freehold site belonging to the Vestry, Offices within their Parish for the purposes of the first mentioned Act, for transacting the ordinary business of the Vestry. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Ten thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Ten thousand pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Thirty years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Mossop, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Mossop, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £10,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of Chelsea, and a Cheque for £12 10s. for the Stamp-duty on the Mortgage-deed; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital and General Working Accounts accordingly.

34. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £2,000 to the Guardians for St. Pancras, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount in order to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £2,000 be now drawn in favour of the Guardians for St. Pancras; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

35. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Contract with Mr. H. W. Blake (trading as Messrs. J. Watt and Co.) for the supply and erection of duplicate steam engines, boilers and pumps, for the purpose of pumping storm and other waters from the Sewers in the Isle of Dogs.

Deed of Enfranchisement to the Board, by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England (Lords of the Manor of Paddington), in respect of copyhold interests in property purchased for the Harrow-road Improvement, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Edgware and Harrow Roads Improvement).

Deed of Enfranchisement to the Board, by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England (Lords of the Manor of Cantlowes) in respect of copyhold interests in property purchased for the Kentish-town-road Improvement, and a Memorial for the registration of the same. (Kentish-town-road Improvement.)

Agreement with Mr. T. Pink, for the sale and purchase of land in Cartwright-street and Royal Mint-street, Whitechapel (known as Lot No. 3), for the erection thereon of Artizans' Dwellings. (Whitechapel and Limehouse Scheme.)

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

36. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 14th instant (No. 14), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Broadway, St. Paul, Deptford	...	...	...	...	Greenwich.
Church-street, &c.	...	...	...	...	Do.
Regent's-park-road, &c.	...	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
Prebend-place	...	...	...	...	Do.
Mortimer-market, &c.	...	...	...	...	Do.
Lavender-hill, &c., Clapham and Battersea	...	...	...	...	Wandsworth.
Broom-lane, &c.	...	...	...	...	Fulham.
Hurlingham-lane, &c.	...	...	...	...	Do.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

37. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. Bayley, Clerk to the St. Olave District Board, dated 22nd May, 1886, expressing the approval by the District Board

of the action of this Board in opposing so much of the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill as provided that a moiety of the cost of maintaining such streets should be borne by this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. E. Smith, Clerk to the Westminster District Board, dated 22nd May, 1886, relative to frequent flooding of the basements of houses in certain parts of the District, through the alleged insufficient capacity of the Main Sewer, as referred to in previous correspondence with this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Smith, dated 20th May, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Resolution passed at a meeting of ratepayers in the Ravensbourne Ward of the Parish of Greenwich, urging upon the Board the necessity for establishing free means of transit across the Thames between Greenwich and Millwall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

40. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. Legg, District Surveyor for West Hackney, dated 22nd May, 1886, relative to the frequent stoppage, by the North Metropolitan Tramways Company, of the public roads and streets in the neighbourhood of Mare-street, Hackney.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. Crowe, Clerk to the Tottenham Local Board of Health, dated 25th May, 1886, stating that he was instructed by the Sanitary Committee of that Board to refer to the provision in the Lee River Purification Bill, which required a standard for the effluent water to be discharged from the Tottenham Sewage works into the Sewers of the Hackney District Board, and to state that, having regard to the requirements of the 105th Section of the Lee Conservancy Act of 1868, as to the treatment of the Tottenham Sewage, the Committee were anxious to adopt the best means for the treatment of the Sewage, so as to fulfil the conditions imposed by the Authorities, and that for that purpose they asked permission to consult with the Chemist of this Board on the subject.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the request be complied with, and that the Chemist be authorised accordingly.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. W. Ratcliff, Clerk to the Limehouse District Board, dated 25th May, 1886, stating that complaint had been made to the District Board of the flooding of the premises No. 19, Turners-road, Limehouse; calling attention to the same, and reminding the Board that the Storm Relief Sewer was intended to prevent the recurrence of floodings in that road, as well as in other localities, and asking the Board to give their immediate attention to the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Spencer, Clerk to the Greenwich District Board, dated 25th May, 1886, again asking the Board to introduce into one of their Bills to be brought into Parliament, a Clause to enable a portion of the Burial-ground of the Parish Church of St. Paul, Deptford, to be added to the adjoining highway of Church-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Vincent Brooks, Day and Son, dated 18th May, 1886, relative to the proposal of the proprietors of the Royal Music-hall, Holborn, to re-build the Hall, and to the probable risk they would incur, owing to the Hall not being separated from their premises, and asking the Board whether certain modifications in the Plans might not be made before granting a License for the Hall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

45. The Clerk presented a copy Report of the Water Examiner, appointed by the Board of Trade, of the examination made by him of the Water supplied by the several Metropolitan Water Companies during the month of April last.
46. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. Bristow, Clerk to the Vestry of Greenwich, dated 24th May, 1886, transmitting a copy of Resolutions passed at meetings of ratepayers in the several Wards of the Parish, urging the necessity for free means of transit between Greenwich and Millwall being provided as soon as possible.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. B. Wilmot, Clerk to the Guardians of Lambeth, dated 26th May, 1886, calling attention to flooding of the basement of the Lambeth Infirmary, in Brook-street, Kennington, whenever there was an unusual rainfall, and asking the Board to adopt such measures as would remove the cause of complaint.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Chelsea.

Vestry-hall, King's-road, S.W.,
26th May, 1888.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by this Vestry to make application to your Board for sanction to borrow the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of paving with wood the road-way of Oakley-street, in this Parish, and, in the event of your Board granting such permission, I am further to ask them to advance the Vestry a Loan to the amount, and for the purpose named, the Loan to be re-paid by equal annual instalments covering Six years.

I append copy of our Surveyor's Estimate for the work.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. EISELL SALWAY,
pp. J. Holland,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

(Copy.)

OAKLEY-STREET WOOD PAVEMENT.—ESTIMATE.

To taking up old macadam, channel, street crossings, raising gullies, and fixing new ones, as necessary, laying 6 inches of Portland cement concrete, and paving same with 5-inch yellow deal blocks,
6,150 square yards at 10s. per square yard £3,075.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer, the Solicitor, and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. C. J. Shaw, Hon. Secretary of the Homerton Ward Parochial Association, dated 27th May, 1886, asking the Board to receive a

Deputation on Friday next, with reference to the formation of a new street from Mare-street, Hackney, to High-street, Homerton.

It was *moved* by Mr. Cox, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Deputation be received on Friday next, at 12 o'clock at noon, and that it be suggested to Mr. Shaw, that the Deputation should amalgamate with that from the Hackney District Board on the same subject.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. M. Venning, dated 27th May, 1886, asking the Board, for the several reasons stated in his Letter, to re-consider his application to be allowed to construct, for his private use, a door-way from Clapham-common to the garden at the back of No. 1, Worcester-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. Venning be informed that the Board are not able to depart from the decision at which they have already arrived on the subject.

51. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Nixon, dated 25th May, 1886, with a copy of a Resolution passed at a Meeting of the Norwood Ratepayers' Association, urging the desirability of such a change being made in the law affecting the paving of new streets as would oblige owners of new estates, when submitting their Plans for approval, to deposit a sum sufficient to complete the paving of the streets shown on the Plans.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

52. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas-testing Stations during the week ended on the 25th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.1	16.7	16.9	11.2	9.4	9.9	0.3	0.0	0.1	None
	Camden ...	17.0	15.7	16.3	16.2	10.0	12.8	0.4	0.2	0.4	"
	Dalston ...	16.7	16.3	16.6	14.3	10.4	11.8	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Bow ...	16.9	16.5	16.7	10.2	6.7	8.8	1.6	0.7	1.1	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.6	16.3	16.4	12.0	9.9	10.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	" (Nine-elms) ...	16.8	16.5	16.7	12.2	11.1	11.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Kingsland-road ...	18.1	16.7	17.4	13.8	8.0	11.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross ...	17.3	15.9	16.8	18.1	12.3	14.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	"
	St. John's-wood ...	17.4	16.4	17.0	15.5	10.3	13.5	0.8	0.3	0.6	"
	Lambeth ...	16.6	16.2	16.4	14.0	9.9	12.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Station closed for repairs									
	Peckham ...	16.8	16.1	16.5	11.4	5.4	8.1	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Tooley-street ...	16.8	16.4	16.5	15.3	8.9	12.3	0.2	0.0	0.2	"
	Clapham ...	16.9	16.3	16.5	14.8	8.1	10.3	0.8	0.0	0.1	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Lewisham ...	16.6	16.3	16.5	10.3	7.4	8.9	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford ...	17.3	16.7	17.0	14.3	9.1	12.1	0.5	0.2	0.4	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	17.3	17.0	17.1	12.0	10.3	10.8	0.5	0.2	0.3	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Broadway, Hammersmith, on 21st instant, at 6.40 p.m., was 1.4 inch.

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, as tested in Endlesham-road, Balham, on 19th instant, at 7 p.m., was 2.1 inches.

53. CHELSEA.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Cousins, on behalf of Mr. T. M. James, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop upon a portion of the forecourt of No. 97, King's-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to be commenced

within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the space separating the proposed shop from the public way be given up to form part of such public way, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 54. CHELSEA.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Ernest George and Peto, on behalf of Mr. T. A. De la Rue, for the consent of the Board to the erection of No. 26, Cadogan-square, with projecting bays to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 55. CLERKENWELL** (detached)—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Richardson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards to Nos. 1 and 2, Woodthorpe-villas, Wetherill-road, Muswell-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 56. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Sabey, for the consent of the Board to the frontage adopted in the erection of a one-storey stable, at the rear of No. 61, De Beauvoir-crescent, Kingsland, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 57. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Dales, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the North-West side of Shacklewell-green, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 58. LEWISHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. G. Lavender, on behalf of Mr. H. Major, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop at the corner of Wildfell-road, High-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, that previously to the commencement of building operations, the space coloured Blue on the Plan be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of the Board.

- 59. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Pound, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the East side of Bromley-road, Grove-park, Lee, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 60. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Flockhart, on behalf of Mr. F. J.

Merrielee, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows and a balcony at No. 31, Hereford-street, Park-lane, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-windows and balcony therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

61. ST. PANCRAS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. B. Fletcher, M.P., on behalf of Mr. T. Marke, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 165, Hampstead-road, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, that previously to the commencement of building operations, the space separating the proposed shop from the public way be given up to form part of such public way, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

62. SHOREDITCH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. C. Boys, on behalf of Mr. J. A. Manger, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 290, 292 and 294, Kingsland-road, and to the erection of four houses and shops on the North side of Lee-street, Kingsland-road, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

63. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Wheeler and Hollands, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the Clock-house Estate, abutting on Balham-high-road, and Cavendish-road, Clapham, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

64. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. F. Goodey, on behalf of the Agricultural and Horticultural Association, Limited, for approval by the Board of a further amended Plan for the construction of an open store at the Wharf, Deptford-creek, Deptford.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

65. PLUMSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. J. N. Mason and Co., on behalf of Messrs. Cook and Co., for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the wooden pavilions erected at the Cricket-ground in Weigall-road, Eltham-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a further period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owners do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the buildings.

- 66. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Walker and Runtz, on behalf of Mr. T. Arno, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a road between Barrett's-grove and Wordsworth-road, Stoke Newington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 67. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. J. Thomas, on behalf of Mr. R. Childs, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a greenhouse at the Nurseries, Halfway-street, Eltham, with walls and piers of Portland cement concrete.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, and that a License, with such conditions as to the quality and composition of the concrete, and other matters, as are contained in the form of License approved by the Board on the 28th November, 1879 (No. 6), be granted to the applicant.

- 68. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction of two open play-sheds and water-closet buildings at the Schools in Wilton-road, Hackney-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 69. HAMMERSMITH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Gage, for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the construction of an open shed recently erected at the rear of No. 17, Ashchurch-terrace, Shepherd's-bush.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 70. ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. G. Jones, on behalf of Capt. J. J. P. Fox, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of openings in the party-walls between Nos. 16 and 17 Railway-approach, London Bridge.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

- 71. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Peebles, District Surveyor, relative to the alleged irregular erection of a temporary wooden Theatre, on ground in Cressy-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 72. KENSINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th May, 1886, submitting a Letter from the Vestry of Kensington, stating in reply to his Letter of 23rd March last, that they were of opinion that it was not advisable for them to take any further action with reference to the erection of a workshop in Allen-street, at the rear of No. 7, Bath-place, High-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee.

- 73. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. T. Wood, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of wood and tile hoods to the front entrances of two houses in Mycenæ-road, Westcombe-park.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 74. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. H. Andrews, on behalf of the London Tramways Company (Limited), for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the rear of No. 93, High-street, Clapham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 75. WOOLWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Conder, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of Fees for special services performed by him in certifying for the removal of two chimney-breasts in the party-wall of the “Pier” Tavern, No. 103, High-street, and a chimney-breast in the party-wall of No. 108, High-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Twenty shillings in respect of the special service at No. 103, High-street, and a Fee of Ten shillings for the service at No. 108, High-street.

Adjourned until Friday, the 4th June next, at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 21.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **4th** day of **June**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. MCGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	BENJAMIN WEIR, Esq.
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL- LIAMS, Esq.
GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.
FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER, Esq.	CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	EDWIN LAWRENCE, Esq.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	SIR ROBERT NICHOLAS FOW- LER, BART., ALDERMAN, M.P.
ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.	THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.
JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD, Esq.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	ROBERT GRANT WEBSTER, Esq.
ANDREW CAMERON, Esq.	COLONEL MUNRO.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN- HALL, Esq.
GEORGE HILL, Esq.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.	COLONEL HUGHES, M.P.
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., Eng.	GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.
CAPTAIN WENBORN.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH- ARDSON, Esq.	THOMAS MORRISON FAIR- CLOUGH, Esq.
GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	JOHN LENANTON, Esq.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR- RETT, Esq.	JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	ALFRED POCOCK, Esq.
THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND- SAY, Esq.
	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board, held on the 28th May last, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings respectively.
2. The Chairman stated that the new Bridge, built by the Board to connect Putney and Fulham, had been opened on Saturday last, the 29th May, by their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales.

The Chairman laid before the Board a Programme of the arrangements made on the occasion, together with a copy of the Address presented to the Prince and Princess of Wales, and of his Royal Highnesses' reply thereto.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and *resolved*—That the Address, and the reply thereto, be entered on the Minutes; and they are entered accordingly—

To their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESSES—

We, the Chairman and Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works, beg leave to offer to your Royal Highnesses a hearty and respectful welcome on the occasion of your second visit to the new Bridge over the Thames at Putney.

The first visit of your Royal Highnesses was in July, 1884, rather less than two years ago, when you were graciously pleased, at the request of the Board, to lay a Memorial stone of the structure that was then in progress, and which is now a completed work. Your Royal Highnesses are asked on the present occasion to declare the new Bridge open for the use of the public.

The old wooden Bridge of Putney, which your Royal Highnesses now see, possibly for the last time, and which is a picturesque relic of an age when Putney was a village comparatively remote from London, had, as may easily be perceived, become inadequate for the needs of the present day, when Putney and Fulham are populous London suburbs. It was, moreover, found, after the Bridge came under the control of the Board, that, owing to the age of the structure, it was in a weak and decaying state, and that the building of a new Bridge was a matter of absolute necessity. The removal of the old Bridge will be proceeded with immediately after the opening of the new one—a structure adapted, we hope, to serve the requirements of the public for centuries to come, and entitled to be regarded not only as a work of public utility and convenience, but as an architectural embellishment of this part of our Metropolitan River.

We thank your Royal Highnesses for your presence on this occasion. We recognise in it a further token of the interest you have so often been pleased to manifest in the Board's undertakings, and of your readiness at all times to give your countenance and support to those who are engaged in the service of their fellow-citizens.

Signed on behalf of the Metropolitan Board of Works,

J. MCGAREL-HOGG,

29th May, 1886.

Chairman of the Board.

SIR JAMES MCGAREL-HOGG AND GENTLEMEN,—The Princess of Wales unites with me in thanking you most sincerely for your Address of Welcome on the occasion of our second visit to this part of the Metropolitan District, and I may add that it gave us much pleasure to be able to fix the date for the performance of this afternoon's ceremony on the day upon which the Queen's Birthday is officially celebrated.

Having laid the Memorial-stone of this important undertaking, we have been greatly interested in its progress, and now rejoice to open a Bridge which may be justly regarded not only as a work of considerable utility, but as an architectural embellishment of our beautiful River.

We trust that the new Bridge may meet the requirements of the public, and that it may adequately supply the want which has long been felt of a proper means of communication between the vast and ever increasing populations of Fulham and Putney.

I desire to express to you, on behalf of the Princess and myself, our warm acknowledgments for the kind terms in which you allude to our presence here to-day, and to assure you that it will ever be our earnest wish to afford every encouragement in our power to the energetic and praiseworthy efforts of the Metropolitan Board of Works to promote the interests and the prosperity of the inhabitants of this great city.

3. The Chairman laid before the Board a copy of the second Report made by the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the ventilation of that House, and stated that, amongst other points, it referred to the ventilation of the Board's Northern Low Level Sewer, and that last evening he had been questioned in the House on the subject, and that he thought it desirable that the Report and the question as to the ventilation of the Low Level Sewer should be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, and that the Engineer should report to the Committee thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the suggestion made by the Chairman be acted upon; that a reference be made to the Works and General Purposes Committee, and the Engineer accordingly, and that the Committee be authorised to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard to the subject.

4. A Deputation from the Hackney District Board, introduced by Mr. Runtz, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.:—Mr. W. Eve, Mr. G. Cable, Mr. W. Askew, Mr. A. Wentzell, Mr. W. Davis, Mr. W. Whiter, Mr. G. Rumney, Mr. C. Geary, Mr. F. Shorter, Mr. T. J. Harris, Mr. C. J. S. Shaw, Mr. J. Hart, Mr. Spenser, Mr. C. Atkinson, Mr. George, Mr. E. Fradd, Mr. Dabbs, Mr. Branscombe, Mr. Tiddeman, Mr. T. Green, and Mr. E. W. Humberstone, accompanied by Mr. R. Ellis, the Clerk, Mr. F. Pursey, the Assistant Clerk, and Mr. Lovegrove, the Surveyor to the District Board, attended, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring-gardens.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Hackney District.

SHEWETH—

That on the 27th July, 1883, your Memorialists forwarded a Letter and Plan to your Honourable Board setting forth a proposed new road between Mare-street, Hackney, and High-street, Homerton, viz.—

Town-hall, Hackney,
27th July, 1883.

DEAR SIR,—The Board of Works for the Hackney District have for some time past been in negotiation with the North Metropolitan Tramways Company, for the purpose of acquiring a piece of land for forming a road leading out of Mare-street, Hackney, to Homerton.

The Tramway Company are erecting car sheds and stables on the field adjoining the Hackney Churchyard, known as Churchfield, forming a portion of the Ryder Estate, and approached by a narrow turning called Bohemia-place, immediately opposite that part of Mare-street recently widened by the Metropolitan Board of Works, such land being coloured Blue on the accompanying Plans.

Upon reference to these Plans it will be seen that the present means of communication between Mare-street and Homerton are very limited and a great desire expressed by the public to have the means of access improved.

The construction of the Bridge for vehicular traffic across the River Lee, at Temple-mills, will form a direct communication between Homerton and the Parishes of Stratford, Bow, West Ham and Leyton, and consequently will import a considerable amount of traffic into Hackney, inasmuch as it will save several miles in travelling from the East to the North and North-Eastern portions of the Metropolis. The West-end of High-street, Homerton, is both narrow and winding, and would tend to create serious obstruction and danger to the public in the event of an increase of vehicular traffic.

The portion of the Plan coloured Pink, commencing at a point marked A at Mare-street and terminating at a point marked B at High-street, Homerton, is the site of the new road proposed by the Board and which would form a direct communication, not only between Mare-street and Homerton, but between the East and North-East parts of London a want which has long been felt by the public.

The Board have already succeeded in securing from the North Metropolitan Tramways Company, the portion of land coloured dark Pink on the Plan, at the same price *pro rata* as the Company paid for the rest of the land, and have entered into a provisional Agreement with the Company to purchase such land in the event of the Metropolitan Board of Works approving the proposed improvement. They are also in negotiation with the Owners of the adjoining property.

You will also see by reference to the Plan that a great portion of the line of the proposed road is through garden-ground which is a great consideration in respect of the cost of carrying out the improvement.

My Board, having regard to the opportunity now offering, beg to place the whole matter before the Metropolitan Board of Works with a view to their taking up the same as a Metropolitan Improvement as they feel sure that if it were carried out it

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would become a great boon to the public generally. They therefore beg to request that your Board will include this in this year's general list.

In the meantime, my Board will continue their negotiations, in order that no time shall be lost in obtaining the estimate of the cost thereof.

Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

RICHARD ELLIS,
Clerk.

That your Honourable Board having considered the application of your Memorialists to carry out this work as a Metropolitan Improvement, replied on the 7th November, 1883, that, having visited the locality, the Board were unable to regard the improvement as one which should be carried out at the expense of the Metropolis at large, but were prepared to consider favourably any application your Memorialists might make upon the basis of a Local Improvement.

That since this application was under the consideration of your Honourable Board, now nearly three years ago, Homerton, and the surrounding neighbourhood have grown to a very considerable extent, and the enormous increase of traffic consequent upon the construction of Temple Mills Bridge, and other improvements has rendered the approaches to Homerton very inconvenient and dangerous.

That, according to a return made by the representatives of the Homerton District of Hackney, it appears that upwards of 1,000 vehicles pass through the narrow entrances to this thoroughfare daily, and accidents are of frequent and common occurrence.

That, with the assistance of your Honourable Board, your Memorialists are now forming a new road across the South Mill-field, which will form a direct line of communication between Homerton and Lee-bridge-road, and upon this road being completed it is fully anticipated that the vehicular traffic passing through Homerton will be at least doubled, and that a more direct and commodious thoroughfare into Hackney is absolutely necessary.

That, referring to the former correspondence of your Memorialists, the circumstances of the negotiations with the Owners for the necessary land are scarcely, if at all, altered; but unless the work is speedily carried out, there is every probability of alterations taking place which will render the acquisition of the land more difficult and expensive.

That in the Homerton District, including the immediate neighbourhood of Clapton-park and Hackney-wick, there are about 9,000 houses, representing a population of about 54,000.

That the proposed new road would form a connecting link between this and the surrounding populous Districts, and establish a direct means of communication between Hackney and the North-East of London and Bow, Stratford, West Ham, &c.

That many representations have been made by the inhabitants of the urgency of the improvements.

Your Memorialists therefore pray your Honourable Board to re-consider the matter, having regard to the increased and increasing growth of the neighbourhood, the improvements which have already been and are now being carried out, the consequent increase of the traffic, and the unanimous desire of the inhabitants, and to take the necessary steps for including this work in the next list of Metropolitan Improvements in accordance with the Plan accompanying this Memorial.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

(Signed)

GEO. CABLE,

Chairman.

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WILLIAM EVE,

Member of the Board.

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RICHARD ELLIS,

Clerk of the Board.

L.S.

The Deputation having been heard in support of the Memorial,

It was moved by Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Cox, and resolved—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

A Deputation from ratepayers of the Wards of Hackney and Homerton, introduced by Mr. Cox, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. Heward, Mr. C. Schnepf, Mr. C. Curtis, Mr. H. Neale, Mr. G. Hockett, Mr. W. Archer, Mr. G. Beck,

Mr. M. Mardell, Mr. J. Bond, Mr. J. Thompson, Mr. J. Corder, Mr. E. Fradd, Mr. J. Wright, Mr. E. W. H. Humberstone, Mr. S. M. Brown, Mr. W. Howe, Mr. G. Moore, Mr. W. Silk, Mr. J. Tanner, Mr. J. Corfe, Mr. W. Unstead, Mr. T. Worledge, Mr. J. Capon, Mr. T. Goodman, Mr. W. Sagg, Mr. Brett, and Mr. W. Walters, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of inhabitant ratepayers of the Wards of Hackney and Homerton, in the Parish of Saint John, at Hackney,

SHEWETH—

That your Memorialists, resident in the Parish of Hackney, within the jurisdiction of the Board of Works for the Hackney District, have at all times as Ratepayers contributed their share to the financial operations of the District, which have included payments to your Honourable Board for carrying out your onerous duties in the government of the Metropolis.

That since the passing of the Metropolis Local Management Act, the population, number of houses, and the ratable value of Hackney—particularly the Wards of Hackney and Homerton, have increased enormously, and the condition of things which was suitable thirty years ago is not in any way equal to the requirements of the present time.

That the Ward of Homerton, in the year 1856, was almost a village, used chiefly for private residences, and now it has a population of 22,000, and a ratable value of £90,000. That during the last twelve years there has been a desire for improved means of egress and ingress to other parts of the Parish, as at present there is no convenient route from Homerton to Mare-street, Dalston, &c. This is felt all the more severely in consequence of the traffic from Stratford, Leyton and other Eastern parts of the Metropolis, having increased very considerably, there being upwards of a thousand vehicles passing daily through the High-street.

That the High-street is in many respects dangerous, the North end being only fourteen feet wide, and, consequently with so much traffic, there are frequent obstructions. The only other way of leaving this street is by Bridge-street, in which there is a hill with a steep gradient, that has often been the cause of serious and sometimes fatal accidents. In addition to these inconveniences, the present route to Hackney is most circuitous.

That about two years ago the District Board entertained for a time the proposition to acquire land near the North Metropolitan Tramway Company's stables in Mare-street, for making a more direct road to Homerton, and Plans and Estimates were prepared, and your Memorialists had hoped that the scheme would have been carried out, but circumstances which have recently transpired, point conclusively to the abandonment of the contemplated road.

Your Memorialists therefore humbly and respectfully approach your Honourable Board, and pray, as this is a matter of vital importance to the locality, that it may receive your most favourable consideration; and should it appear in your wisdom that the formation of the desired road could not be undertaken as a Metropolitan Improvement, your Memorialists further pray that your Honourable Board would contribute such proportion of the costs as may be equitable, and otherwise assist the District Board of Works to carry out, under your direction, this much-needed Improvement.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

(Signed) F. R. BLATCH,

Vicar of Homerton,

And 3 others.

The Deputation having been heard in support of the Memorial,

It was moved by Mr. Cox, seconded by Captain Wenborn, and resolved—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the foregoing reference.

5. A Deputation from the Greenwich District Board, introduced by Mr. Andrews, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. W. J. Newell, Mr. H. J. Oldman, Mr. J. W. Schweur, Mr. E. J. Brennar, Mr. A. Clifford, Mr. J. Anderson, and Mr. J. A.

Webster, accompanied by Mr. J. Spencer, the Clerk to the District Board, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District,

SHEWETH, AS FOLLOWS—

Blackhorse Bridge, in the District of your Memorialists, carries the Deptford-lower-road across the Grand Surrey Canal.

During recent years the traffic along the Deptford-lower-road and over Blackhorse Bridge has enormously increased, owing partly to the general increase of the traffic of the Metropolis, partly to the increased facilities afforded for conveniently using this line of thoroughfare by the improvements your Honourable Board has made in the Bridge across Deptford-creek, and in the approaches to the Lower-road from London Bridge, and partly to the large business carried on at the Cattle Market at Deptford. Such traffic is mainly through traffic between London Bridge and the City and other parts of the Metropolis.

Blackhorse Bridge is only 25 feet 2 inches in width, out of which more than 6 feet are taken up by foot-ways, and the gradient is as steep as 1 in 15, causing danger to the public, delay and difficulty in traffic, and suffering to horses. The approaches to the Bridge are steep, narrow and inconvenient, and require to be widened and improved.

Your Memorialists have had the traffic over Blackhorse Bridge taken, with this result :— During four days there was an average traffic between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. of 2,033 vehicles, and between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. of 713 vehicles, and during the hours of 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. on the 10th of May, 1886, the numbers reached 264 vehicles.

An improvement in Blackhorse Bridge and the approaches to it on both sides is as urgently needed to provide for the wants of the Metropolis as were the improvements in the approaches to the same line of thoroughfare, made by widening Tooley-street, Free-school-street, Thornton-street and Dockhead, Improvements to the cost of which the District of your Memorialists contributed, in common with the rest of the Metropolis. The Lower-road is one of the principal lines of communication between the City and Woolwich and Plumstead, and an improvement in it which would have the effect of increasing the facilities for traffic upon it would be of great advantage to the whole of the Metropolis.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to widen and improve Blackhorse Bridge, and the approaches thereto, as a Metropolitan Improvement.

Sealed at, and in pursuance of a Resolution of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, passed at a Meeting of the said Board, held on the 12th day of May, 1886.

(Signed) J. SPENCER,
Clerk of the Board.

L. S.

The Deputation, addressed the Board in support of the Memorial.

A Deputation introduced by Mr. Fowler, in the absence of Mr. Tolhurst, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. J. Down, Mr. J. Bulmer, Mr. S. Chafen, and Mr. F. J. Bisley, accompanied by Mr. James J. Stokes, the Clerk to the Vestry, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of Rotherhithe, in the County of Surrey, under their Common Seal,

SHEWETH,—

That in the month of October, 1885, a Memorial numerously signed by ratepayers of this Parish, was presented to your Memorialists, praying that immediate steps be taken for effecting a much-needed Improvement at the "Royal Oak" corner in the Deptford Lower-road, by setting back the "Royal Oak" Public-house and two or three of the adjoining houses there, and such Memorial was forwarded to your Honourable Board on the 9th of October, 1885.

That your Honourable Board having taken such Memorial into consideration and viewed the *locus in quo*, came to the conclusion that, although the setting back of the buildings referred to would doubtless be an improvement, the advantages of it would be purely local and should be undertaken by the Vestry, and not by your Honourable Board, at the cost of the Metropolis at large.

That your Memorialists desire to call the attention of your Honourable Board especially to the fact that the Deptford Lower-road is the main highway from London to the Metropolitan Meat Market at Deptford, and the Surrey Commercial Docks, and other extensive premises to and from which a vast stream of traffic is constantly flowing, amounting, as appears by a Return your Memorialists have had taken, to upwards of 3,000 vehicles per day, comprising vehicles of all descriptions, but more particularly heavy timber carriages, meat vans, the tram cars.

That owing to the sharp curve and the difficulty the traffic has at times of clearing this corner, serious accidents are occurring there every day through horses falling, &c.

That the above facts in the opinion of your Memorialists are conclusive as to the benefit which will result to the public at large by the suggested alteration being carried out, the traffic along this road-way not being of a local character at all, but forming some of the most important traffic of the whole of London.

That in order to complete the Improvement contemplated by the Streets Improvement Acts of 1877 and 1882, and to render the same perfect, and also to open a direct communication between London Bridge and Woolwich it is necessary that the road-way at the "Royal Oak" as well as at the Blackhorse Bridge, Deptford, should be widened, the latter being a most inconvenient and dangerous place and quite unsuited to the needs of the present day.

Your Memorialists, therefore, humbly pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to re-consider the determination expressed in the Letter received by your Memorialists on the 2nd December, 1885, and that you will carry out the alterations at the "Royal Oak," Deptford Lower-road, and Blackhorse Bridge, Deptford, as Metropolitan Improvements, at the cost of the Metropolis at large.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

Sealed by Order of the said Vestry of the Parish of Rotherhithe, this 3rd day of June, 1886.

(Signed) JAMES J. STOKES,
Clerk to the Vestry.

L.S.

The Deputation addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Andrews, seconded by Mr. Fowler, and ~~resolved~~—That the foregoing Memorials be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

6. A Deputation from the Vestry of Chelsea, introduced by Mr. Mossop, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. G. W. Osborn, Mr. W. Davidge, Mr. W. Lawrence, Mr. Churchwarden Wheeler, and Mr. H. Young, accompanied by Mr. G. R. Strachan, the Surveyor to the Vestry attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of Chelsea,

SHEWETH—

That your Memorialists have assented to the terms of an Order, entitled "The Chelsea Electric Lighting Order, 1886," which is being promoted in the present Session of Parliament, and which is now before the Board of Trade.

That the Order so assented to contained a Clause protecting the works of your Honourable Board from any of the works constructed under the powers of the Order.

That the Board of Trade has struck out this Clause, and has inserted powers in the Order whereby the consent of your Honourable Board is made necessary to the execution of works under the Order in all of the streets of Chelsea, whether the works of your Honourable Board are affected thereby or not.

That the Order is confined to the Parish of Chelsea exclusively.

That the powers sought to be given to your Honourable Board are in opposition to the powers now exercised by your Memorialists under the Metropolis Management Acts, by which they are made the authority for dealing with works in the streets of their District which are, of a local character.

That your Memorialists view with jealousy any attempt to interfere with their local rights and are of opinion that the concurrent powers sought to be given will cause delay, unnecessary expense, and friction, and will thereby materially interfere with the local development of the enterprise of Electric Lighting, and can serve no useful purpose.

That your Memorialists are ready to assist your Honourable Board to obtain the most ample powers under the Order, in cases where Bridges, Footpaths, or any works belonging to your Honourable Board may be affected by works to be executed under the Order.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honourable Board will see fit to inform the Board of Trade that, while requiring powers over works to be executed under the terms of the proposed Order which affect Bridges, Footpaths, or any works belonging to your Honourable Board in the Parish of Chelsea, your Honourable Board does not wish for powers over works in the streets of Chelsea where the works belonging to your Honourable Board are not affected thereby.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

Dated this 4th day of June, 1886.

(Signed) GEO. WM. OSBORN,
Elected Chairman of the Vestry of the Parish of Chelsea.

The Deputation was heard in support of the Memorial.

It was *moved* by Mr. Mossop, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

7. This being the day appointed for the election of District Surveyors for the Districts of North Chelsea and South Chelsea, the Clerk laid before the Board the applications and testimonials which he had received from candidates.

The names of the candidates were then read, as follows—

Mr. T. Batterbury, No. 29, John-street, Bedford-row.	Mr. E. Hazlehurst, No. 7A, Lawrence Pountney-hill.
„ H. H. Bridgman, No. 42, Poultry.	„ A. Heyes, No. 6, Clyde-street, S.W.
„ H. Cheston, No. 1, Great Winchester-street.	„ G. Inskipp, No. 5, Bedford-row.
„ S. F. Clarkson, No. 28, Great Ormond-street.	„ G. Jackson, No. 31, Charing-cross.
„ P. Cowper, No. 7, Westminster-chambers.	„ G. A. Lean, Helena Chambers, Ealing.
„ F. E. Eales, No. 9, Welbeck-street.	„ H. Lovegrove, No. 26, Budge-row, Cannon-street.
„ J. S. Edmeston, No. 42, Old Broad-street.	„ T. E. Mundy, No. 12, Buckingham-street, Adelphi.
„ G. Edwards, No. 11, Queen Victoria-street.	„ R. C. Murray, No. 1, Racquet-court, Fleet-street.
„ R. F. C. Francis, No. 142, Palmerston-buildings, Old Broad-street.	„ W. H. Nash, No. 5, Adelaide-place, London-bridge.
„ W. Grellier, No. 17, Abchurch-lane.	„ H. A. Pelly, No. 23, Old Broad-street.
„ F. W. Hamilton, No. 7, Westminster-chambers.	„ C. G. Saunders, No. 5, Agar-street, Strand.
„ J. Hamilton, No. 202, Bishopsgate-street.	„ M. L. Saunders, No. 9, Finsbury-circus.
„ G. Hamilton-Gordon, No. 72, Finsbury-pavement.	„ W. Smallpeice, No. 3, Dyer's-buildings, Holborn.
„ W. J. Harcastle, Lancaster House, The Savoy.	„ L. Solomon, No. 55, New Broad-street.
„ A. Harland, No. 22, Surrey-street, Strand.	„ W. L. Spiers, No. 9, Gray's-inn-square.
	„ W. H. Stevens, No. 21, Ashchurch-grove, Shepherd's-bush.
	„ H. W. Stock, No. 9, Denman-street, London Bridge.

The several candidates who were in attendance having answered to their names,

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That the number of candidates be reduced by one vote to six, that the names be then put to the vote *seriatim*, and that the candidate having the least number of votes be struck off at each voting.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Williams, and seconded by Mr. Middlemass—That the number of candidates be reduced by one vote to six; that the six names be then put to the vote; and that the voting be by ballot.

The amendment having been put to the vote, there were for it 18, against it 19.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—28.

Abbott, J., Esq.	Jones, J., Esq.
Andrews, W., Esq.	Lawrence, E., Esq.
Baker, F. G. Esq.	Lenanton, J., Esq.
Boucher, W., Esq.	Lindsay, W. A., Esq.
Cameron, A., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq., M.P.	Middlemass, A., Esq.
Cox, F., Esq.	Mossop, C., Esq.
Edwards, G., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Fardell, T. G., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Furniss, R., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq., Deputy.
Harben, H., Esq.	Urquhart, W. Esq.
Hewitt, W. H., Esq.	Wenborn, Captain.
Hill, G., Esq.	
Hughes Colonel, M.P.	
Jolly, J. R. Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Williams.

Against the Amendment—23.

Bradfield, J. E., Esq.	Pocock, A., Esq.
Debenham, W., Esq.	Price, S., Esq.
Fairclough, T. M., Esq.	Reddish, J., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Robson, W., Esq.
Funnell, P. W. Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Garrett, W. B., Esq.	Selway, W. R., Esq.
Ingoldby, F., Esq.	Shepherd, W. Esq.
James, G., Esq.	Webster, R. G., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Weir, B., Esq.
Munro, Colonel.	Wetenhall, W. J., Esq.
Phillips, G., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Ewin.

And it was declared by the Chairman to be carried.

The amendment was then put as an original motion, when there were for it 29, against it 22; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the appointment of District Surveyor do continue during the pleasure of the Board, and be subject to the condition that he shall make no claim for compensation in case a diminution of income shall at any time hereafter arise from any reduction or alteration of Fees by the Board, or from any change of system which may be adopted, either as to the office, its duties or emoluments, or from any division, reduction, or re-adjustment of Districts.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the appointment of District Surveyor be subject to the condition that he shall furnish the Board with information of those cases in his District in which the Orders of the Board, or the requirements of the Local Management Amendment Act, 1862, with regard to the width of entrance of streets, or to any building, structure, or erection, or projection therein beyond the general line of buildings, are not complied with; and of those cases in which the limitations contained in the Building Act as to cubical contents of buildings are exceeded; that he shall faithfully discharge any duties which may devolve upon him under the Metropolis Management (Thames River Prevention of Floods) Amendment Act, 1879, and shall also personally discharge the duties of his office as District Surveyor.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the District Surveyors, to be appointed this day, be required to keep their District Offices open daily from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the District Surveyors, to be appointed this day, be prohibited from carrying on the business of an Architect or Surveyor for works within the boundaries of their own Districts.

The names of the candidates for the District Surveyorship of North Chelsea were then severally put to the vote, for the purpose of reducing the number to six, in accordance with the Resolution passed this day, when the result was as follows—

				VOTES.			
Mr. T. Batterbury	...	...	...	30	Mr. A. Heyes	...	1
„ H. H. Bridgman	...	...	...	16	„ G. Inskipp	...	13
„ H. Cheston	...	...	...	15	„ G. Jackson	...	11
„ S. F. Clarkson	...	...	...	40	„ G. A. Lean	...	15
„ P. Cowper	...	...	...	22	„ H. Lovegrove	...	24
„ F. E. Eales	...	...	...	13	„ T. E. Mundy	...	33
„ J. S. Edmeston	...	...	...	29	„ R. C. Murray	...	3
„ G. Edwards	...	...	...	15	„ W. H. Nash...	...	7
„ R. F. C. Francis	...	...	...	13	„ H. A. Pelly	...	16
„ W. Grellier...	...	...	...	11	„ C. G. Saunders	...	17
„ F. W. Hamilton	...	...	...	3	„ M. L. Saunders	...	32
„ J. Hamilton	...	...	...	3	„ W. Smallpeice	...	14
„ G. Hamilton-Gordon	...	...	...	11	„ L. Solomon	...	4
„ W. J. Hardcastle	...	...	...	38	„ W. L. Spiers	...	26
„ A. Harland	...	...	...	1	„ W. H. Stevens	...	11
„ E. Hazlehurst	...	...	...	1	„ H. W. Stock...	...	21

It was moved by Mr. Williams, and seconded by Mr. Harben—That the ballot be now taken by each Member of the Board writing one name of a candidate on a piece of paper, and so continuing until one of the candidates has a majority of the votes; and that at each count of the votes the name of the candidate who has the least number be struck out of the list.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Lindsay, and seconded by Mr. Urquhart—That the ballot be now taken in the manner following—That each Member of the Board do write the name of a candidate on a piece of paper, and tender the same to the Clerk of the Board, and that one or more ballots be taken, until one of the candidates shall have obtained a majority of the votes of the Members present.

After discussion, Mr. Williams, by leave of the Board, withdrew the motion.

The amendment was then put as an original motion, when there were for it 29, against it 12; and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was resolved accordingly.

The election was then proceeded with in the manner prescribed by the foregoing Resolution, and the result was as follows—

First Ballot.

Name of Candidate.					No. of Votes.
Mr. Batterbury	...	...	...	...	4
„ Clarkson	...	...	...	...	19
„ Edmeston	...	...	...	...	5
„ Hardcastle	...	...	...	...	7
„ Mundy	...	...	...	...	6
„ M. L. Saunders	...	...	...	...	5

Mr. Batterbury's name was then struck out of the list.

Second Ballot.

Name of Candidate.	No. of Votes.
Mr. Clarkson	23
„ Edmeston	7
„ Hardcastle	6
„ Mundy	5
„ M. L. Saunders	5

It was *moved* by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Captain Wenborn, and *resolved*—That the names of Mr. Mundy and Mr. M. L. Saunders be struck out of the list; and the names of those candidates were struck out accordingly.

Third Ballot.

Name of Candidate.	No. of Votes.
Mr. Clarkson	25
„ Edmeston	9
„ Hardcastle	7

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the names of Mr. Edmeston and Mr. Hardcastle be struck out of the list; and the names of those candidates were struck out accordingly.

It was thereupon *resolved*—That Mr. S. Flint Clarkson be the District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of North Chelsea.

Mr. Clarkson was then called, and the Resolutions passed this day, prescribing the conditions of the appointment, having been communicated to him, he stated that he accepted the appointment on the conditions expressed in such Resolutions.

The names of the candidates for the District Surveyorship of South Chelsea were then severally put to the vote, for the purpose of reducing the number to six, in accordance with the Resolution passed this day, when the result was as follows—

VOTES.				VOTES			
Mr. T. Batterbury	...	...	14	Mr. G. Inskipp...	...	...	6
„ H. H. Bridgman	...	...	10	„ G. Jackson	...	...	4
„ H. Cheston	...	...	7	„ G. A. Lean	...	...	11
„ P. Cowper...	...	...	12	„ H. Lovegrove	...	...	21
„ F. E. Eales	...	...	8	„ T. E. Mundy	...	...	27
„ J. S. Edmeston	...	...	25	„ R. C. Murray	...	...	1
„ G. Edwards	...	...	7	„ W. H. Nash	...	...	7
„ R. F. C. Francis	...	...	11	„ H. A. Pelly	...	...	10
„ W. Grellier	...	...	7	„ C. G. Saunders	...	...	9
„ F. W. Hamilton	...	...	1	„ M. L. Saunders	...	...	24
„ J. Hamilton	...	...	2	„ W. Smallpeice	...	...	7
„ G. Hamilton-Gordon	...	...	12	„ L. Solomon	...	...	1
„ W. J. Hardcastle...	...	...	26	„ W. L. Spiers	...	...	16
„ A. Harland	...	...	none	„ W. H. Stevens	...	...	5
„ E. Hazlehurst	...	...	1	„ H. W. Stock	...	...	13
„ A. Heyes	...	...	none				

The election was then proceeded with in the manner prescribed by the Resolution passed this day, and the result was as follows—

First Ballot.

Name of Candidate.	No. of Votes.
Mr. Edmeston	9
„ Hardcastle	9
„ Lovegrove	1
„ Mundy	11
„ M. L. Saunders	5
„ Spiers	6

Mr. Lovegrove's name was then struck out of the list.

Second Ballot.

Name of Candidate.	No. of Votes.
Mr. Edmeston	10
„ Hardcastle	8
„ Mundy	15
„ M. L. Saunders	3
„ Spiers	3

It was *moved* by Mr. Lawrence, seconded, and *resolved*—That the names of Mr. Saunders and Mr. Spiers be struck out of the list; and the names of those candidates were struck out accordingly.

Third Ballot.

Name of Candidate.	No. of Votes.
Mr. Edmeston	10
„ Hardcastle	7
„ Mundy	22

It was thereupon *resolved*—That Mr. Thomas E. Mundy be the District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of South Chelsea.

Mr. Mundy was then called, and the Resolutions passed this day, prescribing the conditions of the appointment, having been communicated to him, he stated that he accepted the appointment on the conditions expressed in such Resolutions.

8. This being the day for receiving Tenders for renting the Board's land, called the Millmeads, adjoining and near to the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, for grazing purposes.

The Clerk laid before the Board two Tenders which he had received, pursuant to the Advertisement.

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Tenders be now opened.

The said Tenders were then opened, as follows—

	At a rental for 12 calendar months.
Mr. J. J. Wright, No. 16, Ross-road, Abbey-lane, Stratford ...	£110 0 0
Messrs. P. and E. Abbott, Gun-lane, Limehouse...	82 10 0

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Tender of Mr. J. J. Wright, to rent the said land for a period of Twelve calendar months, for a sum of £110, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

9. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 31st May, 1886.

Your Committee beg to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Parry (Battersea)—(1573)—</i>							
Parry, Thos.—							
62	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 46, Bridge-road ...	£244	-	-			
63	Trade compensation ...	506	-	-			
					750	-	-
Eve, W.—							
54	Surveyor's Fee, as per Order of Committee ...		16	16	-		
Webb, G. and W.—							
65	Preliminary Costs, as per Order of Committee ...		10	10	-		
<i>Re Chapman's Trustees (Putney)—(1574)—</i>							
Hare, Evan, and Dryden, Alfred E.—							
66	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 22 to 30 (even numbers), High-street, and Nos. 1 to 6, Albert-row, Putney, and premises at the rear ...				8,400	-	-
Lewis, F., and Co.—							
67	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract ...		57	15	-		
Phillips, J. and J.—							
68	Stamp-duty on Conveyance ...		42	-	-		
						9,277	1 -
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers.</i>							
<i>Re Stratton (Isle of Dogs)—(1575)—</i>							
London and Westminster Bank, Limited—							
1287	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of plot of ground in Stewart-street ...					250	- -
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>							
<i>Re Simpson (Charing-cross)—(1576)—</i>							
Hyde, Tandy, and Mahon—							
8813	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c. ...		20	-	-		
	Carried forward ...	£20	-	-		9,527	1 -

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	20	-	-	9,527	1	-
<i>Re Rippon (Kentish-town-road)—(1577)—</i>								
Nash, Field and Withers—								
8814	In satisfaction of all claims against the Board by the Owner of No. 47, Rochester-road, for re-building party-wall, and executing other works necessitated by removal of adjoining property	...	10	10	-			
						30	10	-
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re Benn (Islington)—(1578)—</i>								
Bolton and Mote—								
1056	Taxed Costs of Arbitration	...	279	14	9			
<i>Re Mellenfield (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1579)—</i>								
Ravenscroft, Hills and Woodward—								
1057	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	19	10	3			
<i>Re Arnott (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1580)—</i>								
Bank of England—								
1058	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 39, Green-street	...	700	-	-			
Walker and Runtz—								
1059	Surveyors' Fee	...	15	15	-			
<i>Re Kent (South Lambeth)—(1581)—</i>								
Nash, Field and Withers—								
1060	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	14	-	-			
<i>Re Taylor (Hammersmith)—(1582)—</i>								
Taylor, T. G.—								
1061	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 204, Hammersmith-road	...	350	-	-			
Fuller and Fuller—								
1062	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	10	10	-			
<i>Re Head (Bermondsey)—(1583)—</i>								
Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 5, Bermondsey-new-road—								
1063	Equality Permanent Building Society	£223	9	-				
1064	Head, Mrs. Julia	...	586	11	-			
			810	-	-			
Baines, C., and Ball—								
1065	Surveyors' Fee	...	17	17	-			
<i>Re Bradshaw's Trustees (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1584)—</i>								
Bank of England—								
1066	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 49 and 51, Green-street, and land, No. 2, Chester-place	...	650	-	-			
Bradshaw, W., Bradshaw, R., and Bradshaw, A.—								
1067	Surveyors' Fee	...	15	15	-			
	Carried forward	...	£2,883	2	-	9,557	11	-

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	2,883	2	-	9,557	11	-
<i>Re Street (Bermondsey)—(1585)—</i>								
	Street, Edward—							
1068	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 30, Star-corner	£312	-	-				
1069	Trade compensation	588	-	-				
					900	-	-	
	Haynes, B.—							
1070	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	21	-	-			
<i>Re Frietag (Tower-hill)—(1586)—</i>								
	Frietag, Hermann Franz—							
1071	Compensation for yearly tenancy in portion of No. 4. Postern-row and No. 19, George-street...	...	100	-	-			
	Haynes, B.—							
1072	Surveyor's Fee	—	5	5	-			
<i>Re Bartlett (Bermondsey)—(1587)—</i>								
	Bartlett, Robert—							
1073	Compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 22, Bermondsey-new-road	...	75	-	-			
	Baines, C., and Ball—							
1074	Surveyors' Fee	...	4	4	-			
<i>Re Allen (Walworth-road)—(1610)—</i>								
	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in the "Flying Horse" Public-house, Walworth-road and utensils of Trade—							
1077	Watney and Co., Limited, per Pownall and Co.	£1,835	-	-				
1078	Allen, Wm., or bearer	...	275	-	-			
	Wyer, J.—							
1079	Surveyor's Fee	...	42	-	-			
						6,140	11	-
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re Mead's Trustees—(1588)—</i>								
	London and Westminster Bank (Limited)—							
380	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 10, Church-lane	...	370	-	-			
	Postlethwaite, J. R.—							
381	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	11	11	-			
						381	11	-
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>								
<i>Re Tebb—</i>								
	Lawford, Waterhouse and Lawford—(1589)—							
28	Stewards' Fee and Costs of enrolling Conveyance		5	5	-			
	Lewis and Sons—(1590)—							
29	Proportion of Rent of Nos. 253 and 255, High-street, from Lady-day to 21st May, 1886 (less Tax)	...	13	3	5			
<i>Re Hitchins—(1591)—</i>								
	Baker and Nairne—							
30	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	13	-	-			
						31	8	5
	Carried forward	...				£16,111	1	5

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	16,111	1	5
<i>Dwelling House Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Crutcher (Tench-street)—(1592)—</i>								
Stones, Morris and Stone—								
5815	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	...	62	9	10	
<i>Re Wood (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(1593)—</i>								
Humfrys, W. J.—								
5816	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	...	14	9	11	
<i>Re Harrison (Tench-street)—(1594)—</i>								
Stones, Morris and Stone—								
5817	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	...	41	19	8	
<i>Re Maybury (Tench-street)—(1595)—</i>								
Waller and Son—								
5818	Proportion of tenants' Rent of Nos. 9, 13, 15 and 17, Well-alley, from Michaelmas, 1885, to 19th May, 1886 (less Tax)	...	...	...	7	11	-	
<i>Re Dowsing (Brook-street, Limehouse)—(1596)—</i>								
Wells, H. H.—								
5819	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	...	25	9	4	
<i>Re Goode (Tench-street)—(1597)—</i>								
Goode, Wm. Thomas—								
5820	Compensation for loss of rent in respect of pre- mises in Salter's-alley, &c.	...	...	...	5	-	-	
<i>Re Lanning (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1598)—</i>								
Chester, E.—								
5821	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	£33	6	4		
5822	Rent of No. 6, Lower East-street, from Michaelmas, 1884, to 26th May, 1886 (less Tax)	...	12	5	1			
					45	11	5	
<i>Re Robinson (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1599 and 1600)—</i>								
Howard and Shelton—								
582	{ Costs of Title and Conveyance	...	£17	4	8			
	{ Costs of Arbitration	...	15	6	8			
					32	11	4	
<i>Re Clement's Trustees (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)— (1601)—</i>								
Bristow, W.—								
5824	Costs of Arbitration	...	...	...	40	1	6	
<i>Re Bassett's Trustees (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1602)—</i>								
Bassett, H., and Roberts, J. P. S.—								
5825	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 1 to 5, Mussett's-buildings	...	...	...	500	-	-	
Tomkins, A.—								
5826	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	...	...	...	13	13	-	
<i>Re Hughes (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1603)—</i>								
Rawlings, E. C.—								
5827	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.	...	...	...	10	10	-	
	Carried forward	...	...	£799	7	-	16,111	1 5

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	799	7	-	16,111	1	5
<i>Re H. Smith (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1604)—</i>								
Smith, Hayward—								
5828	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 5 and 6,							
	Rope-walk	...	150	-	-			
Fuller, Baxter and Co.—								
5829	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	...	6	6	-			
<i>Walker, S., and Runtz—(1497) —</i>								
5830	Auctioneers' charges in respect of sale of land,							
	Goulston-street scheme	...	238	12	8			
						1,194	5	8

Consolidated Loans Fund.

<i>Re Lilley (Charing-cross)—(1605)—</i>								
Hodgson, C. H.—								
1595	Rent of No. 18, Denmark-street, Soho, from							
	Midsummer, 1885, to 21st May, 1886 (less							
	Tax)	...				69	17	2
						£17,375	4	3

Your Committee have also to report that they have cancelled the Cheques Nos. 996 and 997, Streets (Act of 1883), drawn on 21st April last, for £353 and £497, respectively, amounting together to £850, *re* Massingham, and that they have drawn Cheques, as follows, in lieu thereof—

1075	The New Alliance Permanent Benefit Build-							
	ing Society	...	£300	-	-			
1076	Massingham, Mrs. Mary Ann	...	550	-	-			
						£850	-	-

Your Committee recommend—

That a Cheque, as follows, be drawn on the General Working Account—

Re Cuthbert (Queen Victoria-street)—(1606)—

Meredith, Roberts and Mills—

Costs of application for payment out of Court of moiety of fund	£29	4	11
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Mr. G. Ellwood, of the Plain, Wandsworth, has made a claim for £752, in respect of the works of the Clapham to Putney Relief Sewer passing through his property, and it has been reported to your Committee that the Contractors can settle the claim if the Board will grant their License to build over the Sewer. Your Committee have consulted your Engineer, and now beg to recommend—

That a License be granted to Mr. Ellwood to build over the Sewer, and that the form of License submitted herewith be sealed.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of the Vestry of Kensington, referred by the Board on the 11th December last (No. 25), for a contribution towards the cost, £2,500, of an Improvement proposed to be effected by the acquisition of the premises Nos. 31 and 32, Silver-street, for the purpose of widening that street at its entrance from High-street, Notting-hill. Your Committee have viewed the locality, and are of opinion that the Improvement is a desirable one. They have also ascertained from your Superintending Architect that he considers the cost fair and reasonable, and they recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost of the Improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £1,250, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in

this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

Your Committee have also considered the application of the Vestry of Kensington, referred on the 11th December last (No. 25), for a contribution towards the cost, £1,288, of a proposed Improvement by the widening of St. Ann's-road. Your Committee have taken an opportunity of viewing the locality, and are satisfied that the Improvement is one of a useful character. They recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £644, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the New River Company, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 43), stating that they were about to lay pipes for a constant supply of Water on a new building Estate called the Agincourt-park Estate, at Hampstead, as shown on the Plan accompanying the Letter, and asking the Board, as the Fire Hydrants could be more economically fixed during the progress of pipe laying, to indicate the number and position of the requisite Hydrants. Your Committee, having had before them a Report by your Engineer and the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, have now to recommend—

That the Company be required to fix 21 Hydrants at the spots marked by Red crosses on the Plan submitted herewith; the Hydrants to be sluice-valve Hydrants, with $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches delivery in the clear, fitted with Mr. W. L. Baker's improved self-acting frost-cock, and furnished with service box, all in accordance with the pattern adopted by the Board; the Hydrant box cover to be not less than 21 inches long by $9\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, attached to the box with $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch chain; the cost of the Hydrants and service box complete, but exclusive of attachment and cost of fixing, not to exceed £2 12s. 6d. each.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the New River Company, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 44), stating that they were about to introduce the system of constant Water supply in certain parts of the Parish of St. Pancras, as described in the Notice presented to the Board, and asking the Board, as it would be desirable for the sake of economy to fix the necessary Fire Hydrants at the same time, to inform the Company, at an early date, the number and positions of the Hydrants they desired should be fixed. Your Committee, as in the foregoing case, have received a Report from your Engineer and the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, and they recommend—

That the Company be required to fix 360 Hydrants at the places indicated by Red crosses on the Plan submitted herewith; the Hydrants to be sluice-valve Hydrants with $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches delivery in the clear, fitted with Mr. W. L. Baker's improved self-acting frost-cock, and furnished with service box, all in accordance with the pattern adopted by the Board; the Hydrant box cover to be not less than 21 inches long by $9\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, attached to the box with $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch chain; the cost of the Hydrants and service box complete, but exclusive of attachment and cost of fixing, not to exceed £2 12s. 6d. each.

Your Committee also recommend—

That the Company be requested, when the remaining land in the district shall be built upon, to inform the Board when new mains are laid down in order that the Board may give instructions as to the number and position of Hydrants to be supplied.

Your Committee have had before them the Letter, referred by the Board on the 14th May (No. 52) from Mr. F. Wallen, relative to the neglected state of the garden in the Crescent in Euston-street, St. Pancras, and suggesting that it should be dealt with under the provisions of the Gardens in Towns Protection Act, 1863. Your Committee have given careful attention to the suggestion, but under all the circumstances they are not prepared to advise the Board to adopt it, and they recommend—

That Mr. Wallen be informed that the Board, having given due consideration to the suggestion, are not prepared to take action in the matter.

Your Committee, in compliance with the reference by the Board of Friday last (No. 6), have considered the Tenders for the supply of from 2,500 to 3,000 tons of Manganate of Soda and 1,000 tons of Sulphuric Acid for deodorising purposes. Having received a Report, from your Engineer, your Accountant and your Chemist, they have now to report for the information of the Board, that, for Manganate of Soda, they have accepted the offer of Messrs. Tennant and Co., of 2,500 tons in a granulated condition, instead of finely ground, at £9 17s. 6d. per ton; the offer of Messrs. Christopherson of 250 tons according to specification, at £10 per ton; and the offers of Messrs. Sadler and Co. and Messrs. Middleton and Co. of 50 tons each, at the price of the lowest Tender. Your Committee have also accepted, subject to the usual enquiries, the Tender of Messrs. F. W. Berk and Co. for Sulphuric Acid, at £1 13s. 4½d. per ton.

The Board, on the 11th December last (No. 4), upon the recommendation of your Committee, authorised your Chemist to retain, for a further period of Six months, the Clerk whom he was originally authorised, on the 5th June, 1885 (No. 6), to employ. Your Chemist has stated to your Committee that the necessity for the assistance still continues, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That he be authorised to retain the Assistant for a further period of Six months from the 8th June next.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
SAM^L. PRICE,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEORGE HILL,
DONALD MUNRO,
GEO. EDWARDS,
EDW^D. RIDER COOK.

The Plans and License submitted with the Report were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque be now drawn, as follows—

General Working Account.

Re Cuthbert (Queen Victoria-street)—(1606)—

Meredith, Roberts and Mills—

Costs of application for payment out of Court of moiety of fund ... £29 4 11

And a Cheque was drawn accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Seal of the Board be affixed to the License, in triplicate, now submitted, to Mr. George Ellwood, to build over the Board's Putney to Clapham Relief Sewer, passing through his property at the Plain, Wandsworth; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£2,500) of an Improvement proposed to be effected by the Vestry of Kensington, at Nos. 31 and 32, Silver-street, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £1,250, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate, by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted,

or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost (£1,288) of an Improvement proposed to be effected by the Vestry of Kensington, by the widening of St. Ann's-road, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £644, and to be paid to the Vestry on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the New River Company be required to fix on the Agincourt Park Estate, at Hampstead, 21 Hydrants at the spots marked by Red crosses on the Plan now submitted; the Hydrants to be sluice-valve Hydrants with 2½ inches delivery in the clear, fitted with Mr. W. L. Baker's improved self-acting frost-cock, and furnished with service box, all in accordance with the pattern adopted by the Board; the Hydrant box cover to be not less than 21 inches long by 9½ inches wide, attached to the box with ¼-inch chain; the cost of the Hydrants and service box complete, but exclusive of attachment and cost of fixing, not to exceed £2 12s. 6d. each.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the New River Company be required to fix in certain parts of the Parish of St Pancras, as described in their Letter to the Board, 360 Hydrants at the places indicated by Red crosses on the Plan now submitted; the Hydrants to be sluice-valve Hydrants with 2½ inches delivery in the clear, fitted with Mr. W. L. Baker's improved self-acting frost-cock, and furnished with service box, all in accordance with the pattern adopted by the Board; the Hydrant box cover to be not less than 21 inches long by 9½ inches wide, attached to the box with ¼-inch chain; the cost of the Hydrants and service box complete, but exclusive of attachment and cost of fixing, not to exceed £2 12s. 6d. each; and that the Company be requested, when the remaining land in the district shall be built upon, to inform the Board when new mains are laid down, in order that the Board may give instructions as to the number and position of Hydrants to be supplied.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. F. Wallen be informed, in reply to his Letter, suggesting that the garden in the Crescent in Euston-street, St. Pancras, should be dealt with under the provisions of the Gardens in Towns Protection Act, 1863, that the Board, having given due consideration to his suggestion, are not prepared to take any action with respect thereto.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the course taken by the Committee with reference to the Tenders for Manganate of Soda and Sulphuric Acid be approved and confirmed, and that the Solicitor do prepare the necessary Contracts.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chemist be authorised to retain the Assistant, who has been employed for the past Twelve months in his Department, for a further period of Six months from the 8th instant.

10. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 4th June, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded upon the Resolution of the Board of the 28th ultimo (No. 3), referring to them the Memorial from inhabitants of the neighbourhood of Tooting-beck-common, praying the Board to purchase a portion of the land adjoining that Common (with the belt of trees) now in the occupation of Mr. Brand, for the use of the public as Common land for ever, with authority

to your Committee, should they consider it desirable to do so, to enter into negotiations on the subject with the persons interested in the land referred to in the Memorial. Your Superintending Architect, by direction of your Committee, has been in communication with the representatives of the owner of the land, and has reported to your Committee that he has been unable to obtain any idea of price. Under these circumstances your Committee beg to recommend—

That the Memorialists be informed that the Board have endeavoured to negotiate with the persons interested in the land, but have been unable to ascertain the terms upon which they are prepared to dispose of it.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

J. M^CGAREL-HOGG,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
SAM^L. PRICE,
F. M. WENBORN,
GEO. EDWARDS
EDW^D. RIDER COOK.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that a communication in accordance therewith be sent to the Memorialists.

11. Mr. Phillips, in the absence of Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 1st June, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 10), asking whether the Board would allow the fire Hydrants in the Parish of St. James to be used for filling the carts used for street watering. The Hydrants are provided by the Water Companies at the request and at the expense of the Board, in accordance with the requirements of the Metropolis Water Act, 1871, and it appears to your Committee inexpedient that they should be used for any other purpose than that for which they are intended, namely, the extinction of fire. It is of great importance that the Hydrants should always be in good order, and ready for immediate use when a fire occurs, and there would certainly be some risk of their getting out of order if they were allowed to be used by the men employed by the Local Authorities to water the streets. Your Committee recommend—

That the Vestry be informed that the Board is unable to allow the use of the fire Hydrants for the purpose referred to in the Letter from the Vestry.

Your Committee have to report that Third-Class Fireman A. A. Whitaker, and Fourth-Class Firemen A. M. Houpt and J. G. Edwards, have withdrawn from the service, and that their names have accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Your Committee have to submit the following recommendations—

That the following promotions be made, viz.—First-class Fireman William Butchart to the rank of Engineer; Second-class Fireman James Leach to the First Class; Third-class Fireman John J. Donovan to the Second Class; and Fourth-class Firemen Alfred Salmon, George Read, and John Wickson to the Third Class.

That Frank Whiteman, Lawrence Hamilton, Albert W. Agate, and Charles J. Stanley be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

GEORGE HILL,
W. R. SELWAY,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
GEO. EDWARDS,
W. J. WETENHALL.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Phillips, and seconded—That the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, be informed that the Board do not consider it expedient that the fire Hydrants should be used by the workmen employed by the Vestry for the purpose of filling the street water-carts.

After discussion, the *motion* was put to the vote, when there were for it 10, against it 1, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Phillips, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following promotions be made, viz.—First-class Fireman William Butchart to the rank of Engineer; Second-class Fireman James Leach to the First Class; Third-class Fireman John J. Donovan to the Second Class; and Fourth-class Firemen Alfred Salmon, George Read, and John Wickson to the Third Class.

It was *moved* by Mr. Phillips, seconded, and *resolved*—That Frank Whiteman, Lawrence Hamilton, Albert W. Agate, and Charles J. Stanley be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

12. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 1st June, 1886.

On the 5th March last (No. 13), the Board directed that a draft Notice containing Eight Requisitions with respect to the structural defects of the Baring Music-hall, No. 53, Baring-street, New North-road, Shoreditch, should be prepared and transmitted to the Owner; that direction was complied with on the 18th of that month, but the Owner has not availed himself of the opportunity afforded him to submit any observations upon the Board's Requisitions, nor has he attended your Committee to confer with them on the subject. It appears undesirable to permit any further delay in dealing with this place of public entertainment, and your Committee are therefore of opinion that a sealed Notice, containing the following Requisitions, being the same as those contained in the draft Notice, should be served upon the Owner—

1.—That a new staircase be constructed to the Hall at the North-East angle of the premises on the site of the open yard next Baring-street, with a lobby and a door-way at the foot of such staircase, opening directly into the street; that such staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

2.—That the door-way in the East wall of the Hall leading to the present staircase be stopped up with brick work, 9 inches thick.

3.—That the floor of the Hall be rendered fire-resisting, in a manner to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

4.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be rendered fire-resisting in a similar manner to the floor described in Requisition No. 3.

5.—That the windows of the Hall be protected by wrought-iron guard bars to a height of 6 feet from the floor.

6.—That the fire-place at the Southern end of the room be protected by a wire guard fixed in front of such fire-place.

7.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase.

8.—That the door-ways to the staircase be made 4 feet 6 inches wide, and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

And they recommend—

That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

Your Committee have also to report that the Board, on the 5th February last (No. 10), directed that a draft Notice containing Ten Requisitions with respect to the structural defects of the Britannia (late Bijou) Music-hall, No. 58, Blackfriars-road, Southwark (Christchurch), should be prepared and transmitted to the Owner. That was done on the 24th of the same month, and subsequently the Solicitors of the Owner, Messrs. Walker and Mewburn-Walker, requested that the matter might be allowed to stand over for a short time, as the place did not pay, and the Lessee would probably determine to close it as a Music-hall. In a further Letter, dated 31st March, 1886, they stated that their clients would not go to any expense in altering the premises, and that it was intended to close the Hall as soon as possible. Notwithstanding these assurances, your Committee have ascertained that the Hall is still kept open for the admission of the public, and that performances take place nightly. Under these circumstances your Committee are of opinion that a sealed Notice, containing the following Requisitions, being the same as those contained in the draft Notice, should be served upon the Owner—

1.—That an entrance passage-way, 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the Hall through the bar of the Public-house; that such passage be enclosed upon all sides by brickwork or other fire-resisting materials, to be approved by the Board, and that no openings be formed between such passage and the bar of the Public-house.

2.—That a brick wall, 14 inches thick, be built at the Eastern end of the Hall, on the ground floor, in a line with the back wall of the Public-house, to separate the Hall from the Public-house; that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey, and that not more than one opening, not exceeding 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall for access to the Music-hall.

3.—That the floor of the Music-hall be formed of fire-resisting materials be approved by the Board.

4.—That the dressing-rooms under the stage be removed, or be properly lighted and ventilated to the satisfaction of the Board.

5.—That the staircase to the balcony be removed, and that a new staircase be provided to the same; that such new staircase do have solid "square" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 3 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 3 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches,

9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or be constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

6.—That the window of the kitchen of the Public-house on the first floor, overlooking the balcony of the Hall, be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

7.—That the floor of the scullery of the Public-house, which extends over a portion of the Hall at the South-East angle, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

8.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by galvanised iron-wire guards fixed on the outside of such skylights.

9.—That handrails be fixed on both sides of the balcony staircase.

10.—That all door-ways used by the public be made not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide, and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

And they recommend—

That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

Your Committee have had under consideration the question of the further steps which it is desirable to take with respect to Portland Hall, formerly the Portland Bazaar, in Langham-place, Regent-street. The Board, on the 5th March last (No. 13), directed that the Owners should be informed what alterations were required for remedying the structural defects of the building which was then in daily use for the entertainment known as “India in London,” but with the exception of coating the iron columns with cement concrete, none of the works have been commenced. The Hall was closed to the public on Saturday, the 15th ultimo, but Mr. Rubinstein, the Solicitor to the Owner, has asked for the permission of the Board to keep open the place for other purposes, pending the carrying out of its proposed re-building. In that case, he states that the galleries will be entirely closed to the public, and that the four exits leading from the Hall will remain unaltered. Your Committee are of opinion that it would be undesirable to open the Hall again in its present condition for the use of the public, and they therefore recommend—

That Mr. Rubinstein be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the Board cannot consent to the course proposed, and that if his client opens the Hall he must do so at his own risk, having regard to the Acts of Parliament governing such places of amusement, and that the Justices of Middlesex be informed that, in the opinion of the Board, the building should not be again licensed until the requisite alterations have been made for remedying its structural defects as a place of public amusement.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Messrs. Lander and Bedells, on behalf of Mr. W. T. Purkiss, for approval by the Board of certain alterations and additions proposed to be made to the Royal Music-hall, No. 242, High Holborn, referred by the Board on the 5th March last (No. 80). It is intended to enlarge the Hall by adding to its area some premises on the East side, to widen the entrance out of High Holborn, to build new dressing-rooms, to provide a new exit leading into Whetstone-park, and an exit from the private boxes into Gregory’s-court. The Public-house next High Holborn will be re-built, and be properly separated from the Music-hall. The position of the stage will be altered, the seating of the ground floor re-arranged, and a new balcony erected. The total number of persons for whom sitting accommodation will be provided is about 900, and there will also be considerable space available as standing room. The Drawings accompanying the original Letter of application, dated 4th March, 1886, were returned to the applicants at their request, and a complete set of six Drawings, and an outline specification were submitted for the consideration of the Theatres and Music-halls Sub-Committee on the 11th ultimo. Certain suggestions for the

improvement of the Design were made to the applicants, having relation chiefly to the proper lighting and ventilation of portions of the premises, and to the improvement of the gallery. These suggestions have been adopted in three further Drawings submitted to the Sub-Committee on the 25th ultimo, and, subject to the widening of the stairs leading to the boxes, your Committee are of opinion that the proposed enlargement of the Hall may now receive the sanction of the Board. They therefore recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the stairs to the boxes be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, and that, in other respects, the work be executed in accordance with the Drawings presented to the Theatres and Music-halls Sub-Committee on the 11th May, 1886, as modified by the further Drawings presented to the Sub-Committee on the 25th of the same month, and signed by the Chairman of the Building Act Committee.

In connection with the above-mentioned application, your Committee have considered the Letter from Messrs. Vincent Brooks, Day, and Son, relative to the proposal of the proprietors of the Royal Music-hall to re-build their Hall, and to the risk they incur from certain windows belonging to the Music-hall overlooking their premises, referred by the Board on the 28th ultimo (No. 44). The windows complained of are old windows on the West side of the Hall, which serve to light the balcony. No alteration is contemplated to be made to those windows in connection with the proposed enlargement of the Hall. The printing office of Messrs. Vincent Brooks, and Co., was built subsequently to the Music-hall, and your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken with respect to the Letter from Messrs. Vincent Brooks and Co., and that they be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have to report that their attention was recently called by Mr. R. Kerr, District Surveyor, to certain alterations which were in progress at Hengler's Circus, in Argyll-street, Regent-street. Your Committee thereupon instructed your Superintending Architect to survey the building, and it appears from his Report and the accompanying Plan that the object of the alterations is to adapt the Circus for the performance of a Greek play. For that purpose a stage has been erected on the South side of the ring, being separated from the auditorium by a wooden framing covered with canvas. The ring has been floored over and a wooden altar placed in the centre. The staircases at the South-East and South-West angles of the building are not available for the public, but as the number of seats has been reduced, that alteration does not appear to be of any moment. No alteration has been made in the other exits. Your Committee under these circumstances recommend—

That no action be at present taken, with respect to the alterations, and that the District Surveyor be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have had before them a Letter from General De Haviland, asking whether the Board's Certificate, dated 10th July, 1885, in respect of the "Good Duke Humphrey" Coffee Tavern, in Park-row, Greenwich, includes a Dramatic License, which the Company desire to obtain, as well as a Music License, which they already hold. The original application for the Board's Certificate stated that the building was intended to be used for public entertainments, religious services and meetings, but not for stage plays. Your Committee under these circumstances recommend—

That General De Haviland be informed that the Board in granting their Certificate did not contemplate that the premises would be used for dramatic performances, and that certain structural alterations may be necessary in order to adapt them for use as a Theatre.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from Mr. A. Peebles, District Surveyor of East Hampstead, in reference to the alleged irregular erection of a temporary Theatre on a site adjoining Cressy-road, Fleet-road, Hampstead, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 71). The building measured 81 feet by 36 feet, being constructed of fir posts placed about 5 feet apart, to which was fastened matched-boardings, put together in large sections by means of bolts, and having a roof composed of weather-boardings. An application for permission to use the Theatre was made to the Board by the Owner, but in consequence of the Drawings being insufficient, he was requested to submit others. The District Surveyor served the Owner with a notice to amend the

building, and afterwards summoned him for neglect to comply with the same, and also for neglect to give notice under the Building Act, and to deposit Drawings under the Board's Bye-laws. The Magistrate at the Marylebone Police-court on the 27th ultimo convicted the Owner for the last two offences, and, at the request of the District Surveyor, he adjourned the Summons for neglecting to amend the building, as the Owner had commenced to demolish it. Its removal has since been completed, and your Committee recommend—

That the matter be now left in the hands of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee beg to submit herewith two Reports which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under Magistrates' Orders at the premises therein mentioned, the same being Dangerous or Neglected Structures, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrate to be done at the following premises, viz.—

No. 73, Warwick-street, Woolwich (Dangerous Structure).

No. 43, Winchester-street, St. George, Hanover-square (Neglected Structure).

Your Committee have considered the subject of the requirements contained in a Certificate of Mr. Notley, District Surveyor, in respect of the Dangerous Structure, No. 52, Shipton-street, Bethnal-green. Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Solicitor, who is of opinion that the case is not one in which proceedings should be taken. Your Committee, concurring in that view, recommend—

That the substance of the Solicitor's Report be communicated to the Vestry of Bethnal-green for their information.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, relative to the widening of East Dulwich-grove, a portion of which, it was alleged, was being formed of a less width than that approved by the Board on the 31st October, 1879 (No. 77), referred by the Board on the 14th ultimo (No. 74). The width sanctioned was 45 feet, but the entrance from Melbourne-grove is being formed less than 40 feet wide. Your Committee recommend—

That the substance of the Solicitor's Report on the subject be communicated to the Vestry in reply to their Letter.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, stating that it had been reported to them that Mr. J. Watts, of Merton-road, Wandsworth, was proceeding with the erection of houses abutting on the public footpath which connects Southfields-road with West-hill-road, Wandsworth, without widening the footpath to 20 feet, or setting back the buildings 10 feet from its centre, referred by the Board on the 13th February last (No. 10). The Board on the 6th March, 1885, instructed their Solicitor to serve a Penal Notice, and on the 10th July last a conviction was obtained against the builder in respect of two houses which abutted upon the foot-way. The Defendant not having complied with the Order of the Magistrate, a Summons for continuing penalties was taken out against him, and at the hearing, on the 18th ultimo, the Magistrate refused to convict, and adjourned the Summons for Six months. It was stated that the Defendant held the houses on a building Agreement, which had been forfeited, and that he had now no interest in the property. Your Committee recommend—

That no further action be taken in the matter, and that the District Board be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor for Hampstead, relative to the erection of a two-storey workshop on land abutting upon a narrow foot-way at the rear of No. 178, High-road, Kilburn, referred by the Board on the 26th February last (No. 55). The Board on the 2nd April last instructed their Solicitor to serve a Penal Notice upon the builder, but nothing has been done by him to comply with the Acts as to the width of streets. Your Committee

agree in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor that it is not advisable, under the circumstances of the case, to proceed further, and they recommend—

That no further action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Blashill be so informed.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had before them the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, relative to the erection, by Mr. Dilloway, of a corner house in Mill-lane, abutting on Broomsleigh-street, Hampstead, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that street, referred by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 73). The builder has erected the house up to the boundary of his land, both in Mill-lane and Broomsleigh-street, and it is considerably in advance of the houses already built in the latter thoroughfare. Your Committee agree in the opinion expressed by your Solicitor, that the attention of the Vestry of Hampstead should be called to the matter, so that if they consider it necessary they can have the line of frontage defined, and summon the builder under the 75th Section of the Act, 25 and 26 Vict., cap. 102, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the substance of the Solicitor's Report on the subject be communicated to the Vestry, and that Mr. Blashill be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. A. Moseley, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of houses by Mr. A. Cooper, on the South-West side of Bagley's-lane-road, Fulham, within the distance from the centre of the road prescribed by the Amendment Act, 1878, referred by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 87). The builder has commenced erecting two houses in an old way, and upon an old site, setting them back to a distance of 20 feet from the centre of the lane, and your Solicitor is of opinion that the Board have no power to interfere in the case. Your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Moseley be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. A. Ashbridge, District Surveyor, relative to the construction and erection of a pent-roof in front of No. 18, Finchley-road, St. John's-wood, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that road, and contrary to the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, referred by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 80). An old shop front with iron ribs and awning for the roof has been erected beyond the general line of houses in lieu of a structure which was objected to by the Vestry. A Letter has been received from the Vestry, enquiring whether the Board's sanction is necessary to the present erection. The Board usually leave it to the Vestry or District Board to take action in cases which are within the 75th Section of the Act of 1862, and your Committee recommend—

That the Vestry of St. Marylebone be reminded, in reply to their communication on the subject, that they can take proceedings in respect of the line of frontage, and that Mr. Ashbridge be informed of the course taken.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Messrs. Ernest George and Peto, on behalf of Mr. De la Rue, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of a house and stabling at No. 26, Cadogan-square, Chelsea, with an open space at the rear thereof, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 14th ultimo (No. 77), and the further application for approval of the line of frontage of a proposed building, referred by the Board on the 28th ultimo (No. 54). The house and stables are to be erected upon a plot of ground fronting Cadogan-square, and having a rear frontage upon Clabon-mews. They are practically one building, communicating on nearly every floor, and will be lighted from the square and mews, and also from an area on one side. The applicant asks to be allowed to erect the buildings without an open space at the rear, the frontage of the house being 40 feet, and the area at the side being in excess of the maximum required. The Vestry of Chelsea do not object to the Plans, and your Committee recommend—

That the application for approval of the line of frontage for the erection of the house and stabling at No. 26, Cadogan-square, Chelsea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the premises therein referred

to be commenced with Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from 4th June, 1886, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

That the application for approval of an open space at the rear of the house and stabling at No. 26, Cadogan-square, Chelsea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Wheeler and Hollands, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the Clock-house Estate, abutting on Balham-high-road, and Cavendish-road, Clapham, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 63). The Board, in July last, sanctioned the laying out of the Estate and it is now desired that they should approve of the building lines in Balham-high-road and Cavendish-road, which will be set back 20 feet and 15 feet respectively from the public way. The Wandsworth District Board do not object to the Plan, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the premises therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 4th June, 1886, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Messrs. Walker and Runtz, on behalf of Mr. T. Arno, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation and name of a road between Barrett's-grove and Wordsworth-road, Stoke Newington, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 66). On the 16th October last the Board declined to sanction the formation of a road in this locality. It is now proposed to lay out the road with the angle near Barrett's-grove rounded off, and to widen Wordsworth-road 10 feet in front of St. Matthias Church, and also to give up a further strip of land in the same road. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the new road, and that the name "Cressington-road, N.," be approved for the same.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Letter from the Home Office, referring to the Board's Letters on the subject of the additional Bye-laws to regulate the use of concrete in buildings, and transmitting three communications received by the Secretary of State, containing objections to the Bye-laws, and requesting to be informed whether such objections had been considered by the Board; referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 43). The communications referred to consist of an article in the *Building and Engineering Times* of the 6th February last, a Letter from Mr. H. Goodwin, and another from Mr. T. Potter, together with an extract from a Letter, without address, from Mr. W. Simmons. These documents have been carefully examined by your Superintending Architect, who reports that they do not contain anything requiring the attention of the Board. Your Committee reported to the Board on the 7th ultimo that the Bye-laws approved on the 22nd January appeared to be adequate, and required no alteration. Your Committee see no reason to depart from the opinion then expressed, and they recommend—

That the Secretary of State be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the Board, having considered the Letters in question, see no reason to make any alteration in the Bye-laws which have been submitted for his approval.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. J. G. Turner, Deputy District Surveyor, relative to the position of two houses and shops in course of erection on the East side of Highgate-hill, Islington, referred by the Board on the 2nd April last (No. 78). Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Superintending Architect, from which it appears that the premises are not in advance of the general line of buildings on the North-Eastern side of Highgate-hill. The Vestry of Islington

approve of the line of frontage which has been adopted, and your Committee recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that Mr. Turner be so informed.

In accordance with the reference by the Board of the 7th ultimo (No. 89), your Committee have considered the application of Mr. A. Thorn, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a street and mews to lead out of Brompton-road, and for the widening of Yeoman's-row and Michael's-grove in connection therewith. The roads will be 45 feet in width, and the proposed mews 30 feet in width. Your Committee have had before them an amended Plan, showing the land proposed to be given up to the public with a view of improving the foot-ways. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the roads, and that the names "Egerton-gardens, S.W." and "Egerton-gardens-mews, S.W.," be approved for the same.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. T. S. Archer, on behalf of Mr. T. Watney, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a street at "Water-side," leading out of Jew's-row, York-road, and abutting upon the River Thames, referred by the Board on the 29th January last (No. 67.) In connection with the subject, your Committee have considered so much of the Report of the Bridges Committee as relates to the Plan and Estimates of the Flood-works for the protection of a portion of Water-side, in the Wandsworth District, referred by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 9). The old pathway known as "Waterside" abuts upon the foreshore, and it is proposed to reclaim part of the foreshore, and to lay out a road 40 feet wide in place of the pathway at present existing. The new road will form a direct communication between Jew's-row and Dale-place, and will be 5 feet 6 inches above Trinity high water mark. The applicant has submitted an amended Plan, showing that he is prepared to execute the works suggested by your Engineer for the prevention of floodings. The Wandsworth District Board do not object to the Plan, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the road.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Plumstead District Board, transmitting a draft of a Clause which they desired to have inserted in this Board's next Various Powers Bill, to enable Vestries and District Boards to repair roads, &c., without prejudice to the subsequent recovery of the cost of paving such roads or new streets, referred by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 53). The Board on the 28th ultimo, upon the recommendation of the Works, &c., Committee, informed the Vestry of Hammersmith, in reply to a similar communication, that they were unable to act upon their suggestion. Your Committee recommend—

That the Plumstead District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter, that the Board are not prepared to accede to their request.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. W. D. Crowhurst, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 140, Rye-lane, Peckham, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 68). The proposed extension will project 26 feet 2 inches beyond the front wall of the house, and will be one storey in height. The building will be erected in such a manner as to allow of the widening of Rye-lane to 45 feet, and about 9 feet of land will be given up to form part of the public way. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 4th June, 1886, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground separating the proposed shop from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. L. Brown, on behalf of Mr. J. Russell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a conservatory on land at the Devonshire Nursery at Haverstock-hill, Hampstead, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 52). It is proposed to erect the conservatory to a line within 3 feet of the public way. The houses on this side of the thoroughfare are set back to between 30 and 40 feet from the public way, and your Committee, considering the Plan objectionable, recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. C. Bell, on behalf of Mr. C. R. Wild, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window in front of No. 69, Fitzjohn's-avenue, Hampstead, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 53). It is proposed to corbel out the bay-window, which will to a great extent be constructed of woodwork, at the level of the first floor, projecting it about 3 feet beyond the external face of the wall. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. Cook, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of and upon land adjoining Cainboock Lodge, Stanstead-road, Forest-hill, Lewisham, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 54). The Board, on the 2nd April, last refused their consent to the erection of the shops to the line then proposed. The present Plan shows the frontage line set back six inches further from the road, but in other respects it is similar to the Plan already refused. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board, on the 21st ultimo (No. 56), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. H. Lafone, for the consent of the Board to the construction of two Foot-bridges across Shad Thames, Horselydown, to connect his warehouses, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. Your Committee are of opinion that the proposal is objectionable, as the headway under the lowest of the proposed Bridges is only 12 feet, and the Plan shows the applicant's premises brought forward, although permission was recently refused by the Board. The Bridges, appear from the Plan, to be unenclosed at the sides. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. J. Tue, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of No. 2A, Bertram-street, Chester-road, St. Pancras, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 57). The applicant proposes to extend his premises to the line of the forecourt in the street, the projection being one storey in height and 4 feet deep. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. H. E. Milner, on behalf of Dr. H. Watney, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of roads to lead out of Buckhold-road, Merton-road, Wandsworth, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 65). The Board in February last approved of the formation of Buckhold, Mapleton, and other roads. It is now proposed to form additional roads upon the Estate, one of which will lead out of Buckhold-road, and form a junction with Mapleton-road, and another of which will also lead out of Buckhold-road, and connect it with the first described new road. Both of the roads will be of the full width of 45 feet, and their levels will not be less than 20 feet above Ordnance Datum. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the roads, and that the names "Birchlands-road, S.W.," and "Lynch-road, S.W.," be approved for the same.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. H. J. Hansom, on behalf of Messrs. Knippler and Son, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of an extension of Eltringham-street, York-road, Battersea, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 66). The proposed extension will not be of the full width throughout, nor will it have an outlet at its Southern end, being carried up to the London and South-Western Railway line. Your Committee consider the proposal objectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. H. E. Abery, relative to the construction of the flues and hearths of certain houses erected between the years 1858 and 1865, in De Beauvoir-road, Balmes-road, Benyon-road, Culford-road, Engleford-road, and De Beauvoir-crescent, Kingsland, and Abery-terrace, Darnley-road, Hackney, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 71). Mr. Abery writes from New York, to inform the Board that between the years 1858 and 1865 certain houses were erected with flues and hearths of irregular construction. Your Committee, seeing no reason to interfere in the matter, recommend—

That the receipt of the Letter be acknowledged.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. S. Jobbins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows in front of Nos. 143 to 155 (odd numbers only), High-road, Lee, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 14th ultimo (No. 66). Several applications for the erection of shops in front of the houses having been from time to time refused, the applicant now asks the Board to allow the construction of bay-windows projecting 3 feet 10 inches into the forecourt basement, and at the height of the ground floor, as it is determined to again use the houses as private residences. Your Committee see no reason to object to the construction of the bay-windows, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the bay-windows therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. C. Boys, on behalf of Mr. J. A. Manger, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 290, 292 and 294, Kingsland-road, and to the erection of four houses and shops on the North side of Lee-street, Kingsland-road, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 62). The proposed houses in Lee-street will extend 5 feet in advance of those already existing on the same side of the street, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board, on Friday last (No. 69), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. C. Gage, for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the construction of an open shed recently erected at the rear of No. 17, Ashchurch-terrace, Shepherd's-bush. The shed stands in the centre of the garden of the house. It is 21 feet long, 13 feet wide, and 12 feet 6 inches high, and is open on all sides, the glass roof being supported upon wooden posts let into concrete. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
WM. SHEPHERD,
SAM^L. PRICE,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ,
DONALD MUNRO,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Baring Music-hall, No. 53, Baring-street, New North-road, Shoreditch, be approved, and that with a view to remedying the structural defects of the building, a Notice, containing the following Requisitions, be served upon the Owner thereof—

1.—That a new staircase be constructed to the Hall at the North-East angle of the premises on the site of the open yard next Baring-street, with a lobby and a door-way at the foot of such staircase opening directly into the street; that such staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 4 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 4 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

2.—That the door-way in the East wall of the Hall leading to the present staircase be stopped up with brickwork, 9 inches thick.

3.—That the floor of the Hall be rendered fire-resisting, in a manner to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

4.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be rendered fire-resisting in a similar manner to the floor described in Requisition No. 3.

5.—That the windows of the Hall be protected by wrought-iron guard bars to a height of 6 feet from the floor.

6.—That the fire-place at the Southern end of the room be protected by a wire guard fixed in front of such fire-place.

7.—That stout handrails be fixed on both sides of the staircase.

8.—That the door-ways to the staircase be made 4 feet 6 inches wide, and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Notice, embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon the receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Britannia (late Bijou) Music-hall, No. 58, Blackfriars-road, Southwark (Christchurch), be approved, and that with a view to remedying the structural defects of the building, a Notice, containing the following Requisitions, be served upon the Owner thereof—

1.—That an entrance passage-way, 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed to the Hall through the bar of the Public-house; that such passage be enclosed upon all sides by brick-work or other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board, and that no openings be formed between such passage and the bar of the Public-house.

2.—That a brick wall, 14 inches thick, be built at the Eastern end of the Hall, on the ground floor, in a line with the back wall of the Public-house, to separate the Hall from the Public-house; that such wall be carried down to the level of the footings of the basement storey, and that not more than one opening, not exceeding 4 feet 6 inches wide, be formed in such wall for access to the Music-hall.

3.—That the floor of the Music-hall be formed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

4.—That the dressing-rooms under the stage be removed, or be properly lighted and ventilated to the satisfaction of the Board.

5.—That the staircase to the balcony be removed, and that a new staircase be provided to the same; that such new staircase do have solid “square” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 3 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than 12 steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 3 feet 6 inches wide, and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or be constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

6.—That the window of the kitchen of the Public-house on the first floor, overlooking the balcony of the Hall, be stopped up with brickwork 9 inches thick.

7.—That the floor of the scullery of the Public-house, which extends over a portion of the Hall at the South-East angle, be constructed of fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

8.—That the skylights in the roof be protected by galvanised iron-wire guards fixed on the outside of such skylights.

9.—That handrails be fixed on both sides of the balcony staircase.

10.—That all door-ways used by the public be made not less than 4 feet 6 inches wide, and that the doors be hung in two folds, and be made to open outwards.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That a notice embodying the above requirements, and specifying Two months as the time within which the works are to be commenced, and Six months as the time within which they are to be completed, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the Home Secretary for his consent to the service of the same; and that, upon receipt of such consent, the Notice be sealed, and be served by the Solicitor upon the Owner of the Hall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to Portland Hall, in Langham-place, Regent-street, in which the Exhibition of India in London was recently held, be approved, and that Mr. Rubinstein be informed, in reply to his Letter asking for the permission of the Board to keep open the place for other purposes, that the Board cannot consent to any such course, and that if his client opens the Hall he must do so at his own risk, having regard to the Acts of Parliament governing such places of amusement; and that the Justices of Middlesex be informed that, in the opinion of the Board, the building should not be again licensed until the requisite alterations have been made for remedying its structural defects as a place of public amusement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Lander and Bedells, on behalf of Mr. W. T. Purkiss, for approval by the Board of certain alterations and additions proposed to be made to the Royal Music-hall, No. 242, High Holborn, be granted, upon condition that the stairs to the boxes be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches, and that, in other respects, the work be executed in accordance with the Drawings presented to the Theatres and Music-halls Sub-Committee on the 11th May, 1886, as modified by the further Drawings presented to the Sub-Committee on the 25th May, 1886, and signed by the Chairman of the Building Act Committee.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with respect to the Letter from Messrs. Vincent Brooks, Day and Son, relative to the proposal of the proprietors of the Royal Music-hall, High Holborn, to re-build their Hall, and to the risk they incur from certain windows belonging to the Music-hall overlooking their premises; and that Messrs. Vincent Brooks and Co. be informed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be at present taken with respect to the recent alterations made in the internal arrangements of Hengler's Circus in Argyll-street, Regent-street, and that Mr. R. Kerr, the District Surveyor, be informed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That General De Haviland be informed, in reply to his enquiry whether the Board's Certificate, dated 10th July, 1885, in respect of the "Good Duke Humphrey" Coffee Tavern, Greenwich, includes a Dramatic License as well as a Music License, that the Board in granting their Certificate did not contemplate that the premises would be used for dramatic performances, and that certain structural alterations may be necessary in order to adopt them for use as a Theatre.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the legal proceedings commenced by Mr. A. Peebles, District Surveyor, with respect to the temporary Theatre recently erected on a site adjoining Cressy-road, Fleet-road, Hampstead, be approved, and that the matter be left in the hands of the District Surveyor.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 73, Warwick-street, Woolwich, had failed to comply with the Order made by Henry Bullock Marsham, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Woolwich Police-court, on the 9th day of April last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby *resolved* and *ordered*, on the motion of Mr. Ewin,—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the premises, No. 73, Warwick-street, Woolwich, to the level of the street, and also to take down the fence wall of the yard adjoining the same premises.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure No. 43, Winchester-street, St. George, Hanover-square, had failed to comply with the Order made by William Partridge, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Westminster Police-court, on the 8th day of April last, for the repair of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1882,

Resolve, and it is hereby *resolved* and *ordered*, on the motion of Mr. Ewin,—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed,

and they are hereby authorised to re-instate all window-glass at the premises, No. 43, Winchester-street, St. George, Hanover-square, where the same is broken, to repair the front wall, where the balcony has been pulled down, and also the balustrade on the top of the portico, and the pillars of the same, and generally to make good the whole of the plaster work to the front wall, clear out the area, and make good the steps to the same where they are broken, and also to paint the front of the house and the portico, and the area railings and front door.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the substance of the Solicitor's Report with reference to the premises, No. 52, Shipton-street, Bethnal-green, the same being a Dangerous Structure, be communicated to the Vestry of Bethnal-green for their information.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the substance of the Solicitor's Report with reference to the Letter from the Vestry of Camberwell, as to the widening of East Dulwich-grove, a portion of which, it was alleged, was being formed of a less width than that approved by the Board on the 31st October, 1879 (No. 77), be communicated to the Vestry in reply to their Letter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no further action be taken against Mr. J. Watts, of Merton-road, Wandsworth, relative to the erection of houses abutting upon the public footpath which connects Southfields-road with West-hill-road, without previously widening the footpath to 20 feet, or setting back the buildings 10 feet from its centre, and that the Wandsworth District Board be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no further action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, as to the erection of a two-storey workshop on land abutting upon a narrow foot-way at the rear of No. 178, High-road, Kilburn, and that Mr. Blashill be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. T. Blashill, District Surveyor, as to the erection, by Mr. Dilloway, of a corner house in Mill-lane, abutting on Broomsleigh-street, Hampstead, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that street be approved, and that the substance of the Solicitor's Report on the subject be communicated to the Vestry of Hampstead for their information, and that Mr. Blashill be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. A. Moseley, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of houses by Mr. A. Cooper, on the South-West side of Bagley's-lane-road, Fulham, and that Mr. Moseley be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from Mr. A. Ashbridge, District Surveyor, as to the construction and erection of a pent roof in front of No. 18, Finchley-road, St. John's-wood, in alleged advance of the general line of frontage in that road, and contrary to the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, be approved, and that the Vestry of St. Marylebone be reminded, in reply to their communication on the subject, that they can take proceedings in respect of the line of frontage, and that Mr. Ashbridge be informed of the course taken.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Ernest George and Peto, on behalf of Mr. De la Rue, for approval by the Board of the line of frontage for the erection of a house and stabling at No. 26, Cadogan-square, Chelsea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the premises therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed with Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs.

Ernest George and Peto, on behalf of Mr. de la Rue, for approval by the Board of an open space at the rear of a house and stable at No. 26, Cadogan-square, Chelsea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That the application of Messrs. Wheeler and Hollands, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the Clock-house Estate, abutting upon Balham-high-road and Cavendish-road, Clapham, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the premises therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Meaden, and seconded—That the Report be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an *original motion*, it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Walker and Runtz, on behalf of Mr. T. Arno, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a road between Barrett's-grove and Wordsworth-road, Stoke Newington, and for the widening of that road, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the new road, and that the name "Cressington-road, N.," be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Letter from the Home Office, referring to the Board's Letters on the subject of the additional Bye-Laws to regulate the use of concrete in buildings, transmitting three communications, containing objections to the said Bye-laws, received by the Secretary of State, and requesting to be informed whether such objections had been considered by the Board be approved; and that the Secretary of State be informed, in reply to his Letter, that the Board, having considered the Letters in question, see no reason to make any alteration in the Bye-laws which have been submitted for his approval.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. J. G. Turner, Deputy District Surveyor, relative to the position of two houses and shops in course of erection on the East side of Highgate-hill, Islington, and that Mr. Turner be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. Thorn, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a street and mews out of Brompton-road, and for the widening of Yeoman's-row and Michael's-grove in connection therewith, be granted upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Egerton-gardens, S.W." and "Egerton-gardens Mews, S.W.," be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. T. S. Archer, on behalf of Mr. T. Watney, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a street at "Water-side," leading out of Jew's-row, York-road, Wandsworth, and abutting upon the River Thames, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Meaden, and *resolved*—That the Plan showing the works necessary to be executed under the Thames River (Prevention of Floods) Act, in connection with the proposed street referred to in the foregoing

Resolution, which Plans were submitted to the Bridges Committee and approved by them on the 5th May last, be, and the same are hereby, sanctioned, and that the necessary Notices be issued in accordance with the Thames River (Prevention of Floods) Act.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Plumstead District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter, transmitting a draft of a Clause which they desired to have inserted in this Board's next Various Powers Bill, to enable Vestries and District Boards to repair roads and streets without prejudice to the subsequent recovery of the cost of paving such roads or new streets, that the Board are not prepared to accede to their request.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. W. D. Crowhurst, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 140, Rye-lane, Peckham, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the shop therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground separating the proposed shop from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. L. Brown, on behalf of Mr. J. Russell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a conservatory on land at the Devonshire Nursery on Haverstock-hill, Hampstead, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. C. Bell, on behalf of Mr. C. R. Wild, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window in front of No. 69, Fitzjohn's-avenue, Hampstead, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. Cook, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of and upon land adjoining Cairnboock Lodge, Stanstead-road, Forest-hill, Lewisham, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. Lafone, for the consent of the Board to the construction of two Foot-bridges across Shad Thames, Horselydown, to connect his warehouses, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. J. Tue, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of No. 2A, Bertram-street, Chester-road, St. Pancras, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. E. Milner, on behalf of Dr. H. Watney, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of roads to lead out of Buckhold-road, Merton-road, Wandsworth, be granted, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the said roads, and that the names "Birchlands-road, S.W.," and "Lynch-road, S.W.," be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. H. J. Hansom, on behalf of Messrs. Knipler and Son, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of an extension of Eltringham-street, York-road, Battersea, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report with reference

to the Letter from Mr. H. E. Abery, as to the construction of the flues and hearths of certain houses erected between the years 1858 and 1865 in De Beauvoir-road and certain other Roads at Kingsland, and in Abery-terrace, Darnley-road, Hackney, be approved, and that the receipt of the Letter be acknowledged.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. O. Collard, on behalf of Mr. S. Jobbins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows in front of Nos. 143 to 155 (odd numbers only), High-road, Lee, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the bay-windows therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. C. Boys, on behalf of Mr. J. A. Manger, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 290, 292 and 294, Kingsland-road, and to the erection of four houses and shops on the North side of Lee-street, Kingsland-road, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. C. Gage, for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the construction of an open shed recently erected at the rear of No. 17, Ashchurch-terrace, Shepherd's-bush, be not granted.

13. Mr. Selway, the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 1st June, 1886.

Your Committee have proceeded on the Resolution of the Board of 5th March last (No. 11), referring it to them to prepare the Board's Money Bill for the year 1886. In connection with the Bill your Committee have considered the Letter from the Home Office, referred by the Board on the 7th May (No. 61), asking that a Clause might be inserted to enable the Board to lend to the Metropolitan Police Receiver the sum of £200,000 in the event of the Metropolitan Police Stations Bill becoming law during the Session. That Bill has within the last few days been passed, and a Clause (No. 9) has been inserted to enable the Board to lend to the Receiver a sum not exceeding £200,000. Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the London School Board, referred on the 12th February (No. 48), asking the Board so to alter the Clause usually inserted in the Bill relating to Loans to the School Board, as to enable money to be lent to it for Industrial Schools. Your Committee have made such an alteration in the School Board Clause as will enable the Board to lend money for that purpose. Your Committee have made provision in the Bill to enable the Board to raise the various amounts specified in the Resolution of 5th March last, and they have also inserted a Clause legalising the Board's expenditure during the year 1885, of the sum of £5,602 15s. 3d. upon the Fire Brigade, in excess of the amounts which the Board was empowered to raise in that year for Fire Brigade purposes. Your Committee submit herewith a copy of the Bill, and they recommend—

That it be approved, and that it be sent to the Treasury, with a request that the Lords Commissioners will be good enough to arrange for its introduction into Parliament as early as convenient.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W. R. SELWAY,
GEORGE PHILLIPS,
JOHN RUNTZ,
DONALD MUNRO,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Draft Bill submitted with the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Fowler, and ~~resolved~~—That the Draft of the Board's Money Bill for the year 1886, now submitted, be approved, and that it be sent to the Treasury, with a request that the Lords Commissioners will be good enough to arrange for its introduction into Parliament as early as convenient.

14. Mr. Bradfield, the Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 2nd June, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the applications made to them by the Park Superintendents for additional labour and horse-hire in connection with the Board's Parks, Gardens, and Open Spaces, and they beg to recommend—

That the following labour and horse-hire be sanctioned in connection with the under-mentioned places—

Hackney and Highbury Commons—8 labourers for 4 months for mowing the grass and attending to the trees, &c.

Hampstead heath—2 labourers for 6 weeks to cut down dead furze.

Peckham-rye—2 labourers for 2 weeks for mowing the grass.

Streatham-common—2 labourers for 2 weeks to cut down dead furze.

Tooting-common—2 labourers for 4 weeks to cut down dead furze.

Chelsea Embankment Gardens—Horse and cart for 8½ days,

Hackney and Highbury Commons—Horse and cart for 12 days.

Your Committee have to report that 200 iron hurdles are required for use in protecting the turf at various points on Clapham-common; and they recommend—

That the hurdles be obtained, at an estimated cost of £75.

Your Committee have also to report that 200 iron hurdles are required for use on Peckham-rye and Goose-green, and they recommend—

That an expenditure of £75 be sanctioned for their purchase.

Your Committee have to report that certain additions are required to the Lodge in Southwark-park to suit it for the requirements of the Superintendent and his family. The alterations involve the building of an additional storey to the present outbuildings, by which three rooms will be added to the Lodge. Your Committee consider that it is a necessary work, and that it should be executed. The estimated cost is £250. Your Committee submit a Plan showing the proposed alterations, and they recommend—

That the necessary expenditure as above stated be sanctioned.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the desirability of placing a restriction upon cricket playing on Highbury-fields, owing to the proximity of houses thereto, and the great number of young children who frequent the Fields. The Bye-laws give the Board full power to prohibit entirely, if necessary, the game of cricket on the Fields; but your Committee consider that, as a preliminary step at all events, it will be sufficient if the age of the players be restricted to fourteen years, and that all wickets, &c., erected be kept 40 yards from any high road or building. They therefore recommend—

The Board to pass an Order to the above effect.

In accordance with the authority given to them on the 26th February last (No. 14), your Committee have selected a man to succeed the Assistant-keeper Page, who was discharged from his duty at Hampstead-heath for misconduct, and they recommend—

That W. L. Main, late a Corporal-Major in the 1st Life Guards, be appointed Assistant Heath-keeper at Hampstead, during the pleasure of the Board, at the weekly wages of 25s.,

with the following allowance of uniform—One tunic, one helmet, one pair of leggings, two pairs of boots, two pairs of trousers, three pairs of gloves annually, one overcoat every two years, one cape every three years, and one belt every five years.

Your Committee have further to report that they have selected a successor to the Assistant Common-keeper (Lewis) at Highbury-fields, who was discharged in January last for misconduct, and they beg to recommend—

That Charles Morgan, late Colour-Sergeant in the 55th Regiment, be appointed Assistant Common-keeper at Highbury-fields, during the pleasure of the Board, at the weekly wages of 25s., with a similar allowance of uniform to that stated in the preceding recommendation.

Under the authority conferred on them by the Board on the 13th June, 1873 (No. 13), your Committee have authorised expenditure in connection with the following matters—

Victoria Embankment Gardens—The purchase of a sieve and 6 dozen birch brooms and the payment of 10s. reward for information given leading to the conviction of a person damaging a tree.

Hampstead-heath—The purchase of 1 dozen pairs of hedging gloves.

Brook-green—The alteration of the fencing at certain entrances to the Green.

Open Spaces (Northern)—The purchase of 2 cwt. of sacking and 1 cwt. of tarred cord.

Southwark-park.—The purchase of 4 gallons of carbolic-acid, 1 dozen Dutch hoes, 2 choppers, and 4 bagging hooks.

Tooting-common.—The purchase of two notice boards.

Streatham-common.—The purchase of an oil can.

Goose-green.—The alteration of the fencing at two entrances to the Green.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. E. BRADFIELD,
W^m. SHEPHERD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEORGE HILL,
GEO. EDWARDS.

The Plan submitted with the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the under-mentioned labour and horse-hire be sanctioned—

Highbury and Hackney Commons—8 labourers for 4 months for mowing the grass and attending to the trees, &c.

Hampstead-heath—2 labourers for 6 weeks to cut down dead furze.

Peckham-rye—2 labourers for 2 weeks for mowing the grass.

Streatham-common—2 labourers for 2 weeks to cut down dead furze.

Tooting-common—2 labourers for 4 weeks to cut down dead furze.

Chelsea Embankment Gardens—Horse and cart for 8½ days.

Hackney and Highbury Commons—Horse and cart for 12 days.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That 200 iron hurdles be obtained for use on Clapham-common, at an estimated cost of £75.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That 200 iron hurdles be obtained for use on Peckham-rye and Goose-green, at an estimated cost of £75.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That certain additions be made to the Lodge at Southwark-park, as shown on the Plan now submitted, at an estimated cost of £250.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That no person above the age of fourteen years be allowed to play cricket on Highbury-fields, and that all wickets, &c., erected be kept 40 yards from any high road or building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That W. L. Main be appointed Assistant Heath-keeper at Hampstead, during the pleasure of the Board, at the weekly wages of 25s., with the allowance of uniform stated in the Report.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded and *resolved*—That Charles Morgan be appointed Assistant Common-keeper at Highbury-fields, during the pleasure of the Board, at the weekly wages of 25s., with the allowance of uniform stated in the Report.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the several other proceedings of the Committee, as mentioned in their Report, be approved.

15. Mr. Shepherd, the Chairman of the Bridges Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BRIDGES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 2nd June, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the Letter, referred to them by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 64), from the Thames Steamboat Company, representing the desirability of placing a temporary Steamboat Pier near to Hammersmith Bridge; enclosing a tracing showing a position on the tow-path on the Surrey side where a Pier might be placed, and asking the Board to assist the Company by making arrangements for the erection of a jetty at the site shown on the tracing, which might take the place of the old Pier. The site suggested by the Company for the construction of the works does not belong to the Board, and is not within the limits of deviation shown upon the deposited Plans referred to in the Metropolitan Board of Works (Bridges, &c.) Act, 1883. Your Committee are advised that under those circumstances the Board have no power to assist the Company in the proposed undertaking, and they therefore recommend—

That the Company be informed, in reply to their Letter, that the Board have no power to undertake, or to spend money upon, the proposed works.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) W^M. SHEPHERD,
GEORGE JAMES,
JOHN RUNTZ,
GEO. EDWARDS.

It was *moved* by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and *resolved*—That the River Thames Steamboat Company, Limited, be informed, in reply to their Letter asking the Board to assist them by making arrangements for the erection of a jetty near to Hammersmith Bridge, that the Board have no power to undertake, or to spend money upon, the proposed works.

16. The Clerk stated that it was necessary that the Board should give directions with the view to obtaining a supply of Coal and Coke for use at their various Pumping Stations, Fire Brigade Stations, and Gas-meter Testing-houses, and at their Offices in Spring-gardens, during the year commencing 1st August next, and that about 27,000 Tons of Coal and 570 tons of Coke would probably be required.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to issue Advertisements and obtain Tenders for the supply of the Coal and Coke, and to report to the Board thereon.

4 June, 1886.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th June, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
LEWISHAM.				
Ivydale-road, Nunhead	1,752	15-inch	pipe	{ Recommended, subject to the consent of the Vestry of Camberwell being first obtained to the connection of this new Sewer with their existing sewer.
WANDSWORTH.				
The Grove, St. Ann's-hill ...	217	12-inch	pipe	Recommended as applied for.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th June, 1886, on an application from the Vestry of Chelsea, for permission to stop up the under-mentioned thoroughfare for the period and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1886. 29th May	King's - road, between Manor - street and Oakley-street.	repairing roadway.	3 weeks	3 weeks	The routes shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the Vestry of Chelsea, for the purpose of executing work therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

19. The Engineer presented a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring-gardens,
1st June, 1886.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE SEVERAL SPECIAL CONTRACT WORKS.

Holloway and Northern High Level Sewers Relief Lines.—Mr. W. Rigby, Contractor.—A length of about 14,600 feet of brick Sewers, varying in diameter from 7 feet to 5 feet 6 inches, has been constructed, at an estimated cost, with other works in connection therewith, of £53,200, of which about £3,200 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. T. Panter, G. Larkin, T. Wighton, J. Driffield, J. Boyden, J. Pope and J. Fixter, at a weekly cost of £22 1s.

Queen's-road, Dalston, &c., Sewer.—Messrs. Nowell and Robson, Contractors.—A length of about 6,570 feet of brick Sewer, varying in size from 5 feet by 4 feet, to 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches, egg-shape, is complete, the estimated value of which, with other works in connection therewith, is £16,500, of which about £900 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. J. Carter and J. Lake, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Clapham to Putney Relief Sewers.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—The main line of Sewer from the "Bedford Arms" Public-house, Clapham, to Roehampton-lane, Putney, has been completed, with the exception of the aqueduct crossing the Wandle-valley, which is still in progress. The six branch Sewers are also complete. The approximate value of the work done is about £135,000. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. C. Bedloe and J. Judd, at a weekly cost of £6 6s.

Putney (new) Bridge.—Mr. John Waddell, Contractor.—This Bridge is practically complete and the whole of the Chelsea Water Company's mains, with the exception of a short length

High-street, Putney, are laid and tested. The Bridge was formally open for public traffic on Saturday last, the 29th May.

The Contractor has yet to finish the construction of the river-wall facing Putney Church-yard, also to complete the connections of the Chelsea Water Company's mains and the widening of the High-street, Putney, approach to the Bridge, and to remove the old Bridge, the temporary aqueduct, and the remaining portions of his stagings, &c.

The total approximate value of permanent work executed under this contract is about £217,000, of which about £500 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. J. Gooding, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

Hammersmith Bridge.—Messrs. Dixon, Appleby and Thorne, Contractors.—The temporary Bridge has now been completed and opened for traffic for more than a twelvemonth. The whole of the superstructure of the old bridge has been removed. The temporary chains for the erection of the permanent link chains have been raised to their required positions. The coffer-dam for the underpinning of the Southern pier has been completed, and the necessary work for securing the foundations of the bridge is finished. The excavations for the Northern and Southern abutments have been completed, and the concreting for the Southern abutment is practically completed, whilst that for the Northern abutment is well advanced. The abutment anchor-castings, steel anchor forgings, abutment saddles, and the cast-iron base plates for the pier towers have been fixed. The whole of the iron work for the pier towers the pier saddles, the wrought-iron cross-girders and cantilevers, also the steel pins and nuts for the new chains, have been delivered. The wrought-iron towers are now undergoing erection, and about 214 links have been delivered upon the works, but have not yet been passed. The total approximate value of permanent work executed (including ironwork delivered) is about £42,000, of which about £4,000 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. H. Rice, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

Albert Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Company, Contractors.—About one-half of the piling intended for the support of the platform of the bridge during the removal of the wire ropes, has been driven. The Clerk of Works employed upon this work, and upon the general works in connection with the Board's Bridges, is Mr. F. Bastable, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

Lambeth Bridge.—Messrs. John Mowlem and Company, Contractors.—The re-paving of the carriageway is completed; the whole of the saddles upon the iron cables have been removed and re-packed with marine glue, and the painting of the cables and other ironwork and the tarring of the interiors of the box-girders and the under surfaces of the bridge floor-plates are complete. Thus, with a few minor exceptions, the whole of the works embraced in this contract (which was undertaken for the sum of £2,144) are now complete. The Clerk of Works employed is Mr. H. Beecher, at a weekly cost of £3 3s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, and be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd June, 1886, stating that Mr. W. F. Crane, a Draughtsman in his Department, although somewhat improved in health since his last Report, was not sufficiently recovered to return to his duties; submitting a Medical Certificate, and recommending that he should be allowed a further leave of absence for one month, if requisite.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That one month's further leave of absence be granted to Mr. Crane.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd June, 1886, on Letters from Mr. W. B. Scott, the Chief Surveyor to the St. Pancras Vestry, requesting the Board to instruct the New River Company to shift the hydrant in Euston-road; stating that the Midland Railway Company had applied to the Vestry to put in a crossing in Euston-road, to the Company's new buildings by Ossulston-street, that there was a hydrant about the centre of the proposed crossing, shown in Blue upon the tracing accompanying the second Letter, which it was desired to move about 12 feet into the foot-way, as shown by a Red colour on the same Plan, and recommending that the New River Company should be instructed to shift the hydrant, on the Vestry or the Company undertaking to bear the cost of the alteration.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be approved, and that the application be granted on the condition recommended in the Report.

22. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill had been read a third time in the House of Commons, and that the Bill would be taken up without delay to the House of Lords.
23. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Fire Brigade Expenses) Bill, in the House of Commons, had been adjourned until the 25th instant.
24. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Board's (Theatres, &c.) Bill, in the House of Commons, had been appointed for the 23rd instant.
25. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Theatres, &c. (Metropolis), Bill (Mr. Dixon Hartland) in the House of Commons, had been further adjourned until the 7th instant.
26. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill (Mr. Kimber) had been adjourned until the 25th instant.
27. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill (Colonel Hughes) had been adjourned until the 25th instant.
28. The Solicitor reported that the second reading in the House of Commons of the Fires Prevention (Metropolis) Bill (Mr. Spensley) had been adjourned until the 25th instant.
29. The Solicitor reported that the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Amendment (No. 1) Bill (Lord Raleigh); the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Amendment (No. 2) Bill (Lord Ashford); and the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Amendment (No. 3) Bill (Lord Houghton), were still under consideration by a Select Committee of the House of Lords, and that the Committee had met on Monday and Tuesday last, and would meet again this day.
30. The Solicitor reported that the Lee River Purification Bill had been read a first time in the House of Lords on the 31st ultimo, and that the date for the second reading had not yet been fixed.
31. The Solicitor reported that the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill (Mr. Leveson Gower) had been again mentioned to the Duke of Richmond's Committee on Wednesday last, when Mr. Bidder, for the Promoters, proposed to substitute for Clause 1, which the Committee had directed to be struck out, a Clause referring it to an Arbitrator to determine whether the roads should be maintained and lighted at the expense of the Board and the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, or either of them, and in what proportions, and that the Chairman of the Committee had stated that the proposal would require much consideration, which the Committee would defer until the conclusion of the Oldham Corporation Bill, which was before them.
32. The Solicitor reported that the Select Committee on the pollution of the River Lee had met again on Tuesday last, when further witnesses had been examined; and he presented a copy of the evidence given on that day, and reported that the Committee would sit again this day.
33. The Solicitor reported that the consideration of the Compulsory Purchase of Land Compensation Bill (Mr. McLaren), in Committee of the whole House of Commons, had been further adjourned until the 10th instant.
34. The Solicitor reported that the Public Parks and Works (Metropolis) Bill had been before the Examiner on Standing Orders; that he had reported that the Orders had not been complied with, and that the Bill would therefore have to go before the Standing Orders Committee; that the second reading had been deferred until the 7th instant, and that the following Notices had been placed on the business paper of the House of Commons with respect to the Bill—

General Goldsworthy—On the second reading of the Bill to move that it be read a second time upon this day six months (Monday, 30th May).

Sir Charles Dilke—After the second reading of the Bill to move that it be referred to a Select Committee.

35. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions, on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

36. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Buxton, M.P., had given notice in the House of Commons to ask the Chairman of the Board a question as to the use of the Northern Outfall Sewer Embankment as a public promenade.

37. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Norris, M.P., had given notice in the House of Commons to ask the Chairman of the Board a question relative to the provision of additional means of communication across the Thames below London Bridge.

38. The Solicitor reported that the Sanitary Registration of Buildings Bill, which provided for the better sanitation of dwelling-houses, Schools, Hotels, Hospitals, and other buildings within the United Kingdom, had been introduced by Dr. Farquharson, Sir Henry Roscoe, Sir G. Hunter, and Dr. Cameron, and read a first time in the House of Commons yesterday; that the second reading was appointed for the 10th instant, and that he had not yet received a copy of the Bill.

39. The Solicitor reported that the arrangements as to the undermentioned Loans had been duly completed, and that the Cheques had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities—

				AMOUNT OF LOAN.
Mile-end Old-town Guardians	...	...	...	£5,000
St. Pancras Guardians	...	...	...	2,000
St. George-in-the-East Guardians	...	...	...	13,800

40. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £1,300 to the Vestry of Hampstead, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

~~Whereas~~ the Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first-mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of One thousand three hundred pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry, in executing brick Sewerage works in Fortune-green-lane, within the said Parish, the Plan for which was approved by the Metropolitan Board of Works on the seventh May, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-six. ~~And whereas~~ the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of One thousand three hundred pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of One thousand three hundred pounds, for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be, within a period of Thirty years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £1,300 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of Hampstead; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

41. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £2,000 to the Wandsworth District Board, and he suggested that this Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board under the first-mentioned Act, within the said District, of a sum of Two thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, by the said District Board, in executing certain wood-paving works in the High-street, Clapham (between Nos. 2 and 5, and No. 54, High-street), and in Clapham-park-road (between Clapham-cross and Pleasant-place), all within the said District. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Two thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Two thousand pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be, within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £2,000 be now drawn in favour of the Wandsworth District Board; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

42. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the re-payment of the Loan of £8,000 to the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, and a Cheque for £10 for Stamp-duty.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Saint George-the-Martyr, Southwark, in the County of Surrey, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry under the first-mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of Eight thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying part of the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry in executing certain wood-paving works in part of the Southwark-bridge-road (from Newington-causeway to the Borough-road), and certain granite-paving works in parts of Southwark-bridge-road (from the Borough-road to the boundary of the Parish, Saint George's-road (from Newington-butts to Westminster-road)

Lambeth-road (from St. George's-circus to the boundary of the Parish), and the Borough-road (from St. George's-circus to Southwark-bridge-road), all within the said Parish. And whereas the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Eight thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purposes aforesaid. Therefore, it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Eight thousand pounds, for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid as to One thousand three hundred pounds (to be expended in wood-paving works), by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be, within a period of Six years, and as to Six thousand seven hundred pounds (to be expended in granite-paving works), by equal annual instalments, within a period of Twenty years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £8,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, and a Cheque for £10 for the Stamp-duty on the Mortgage-deed; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital and General Working Accounts accordingly.

43. The Solicitor suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque to the order of the Bank of England for £4,000, the amount of Mr. Ryde's valuation, under the 85th Section of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, for meeting the claim of Messrs. Meux and Co. in respect of the "Flying Horse" Public-house in Walworth-road, being No. 29, on the Plan of the Walworth-road Improvement, with a view to the amount being paid into the Court of Chancery.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £4,000 be now drawn in favour of the Bank of England for the Court of Chancery; and a Cheque was drawn on the Streets (Act of 1883) Account accordingly.

44. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Bill which provided for enlarging and making more perfect the scope of the several measures on the subject which had been passed, and stated that the Bill had been read a second time in the House of Lords on the 28th ultimo, and appointed for consideration in Committee of the whole House this evening.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Bill be referred to the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee and the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report.

45. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the repayment of the several portions of the Loan of £27,324 to the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylums District, and he suggested that the Board should draw a Cheque for the amount, in order to enable him to complete the matter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £27,324 be now drawn in favour of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylums District; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

46. The Solicitor read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department,
4th June, 1886.

NEW BATTERSEA BRIDGE.—TENDER OF MESSRS. J. WILLIAMS, SON AND WALLINGTON.—
£143,000.

I present a Report of the result of the enquiries directed by the Board to be made. The Board will no doubt consider this satisfactory, and wish to confirm the acceptance of Messrs. J. Williams, Son and Wallington's Tender for £143,000, and direct me to prepare the Contract.

4 June, 1886.

Having regard to Section 23 of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1862, and the amount of this Contract it will, I think, be prudent that the Resolution to be now passed by the Board accepting the Tender, and directing the Contract to be prepared and sealed, should be confirmed at a subsequent Meeting of the Board.

I annex the form of Resolution, which, assuming the Board to desire to confirm the acceptance of the Tender, should, I think, be now passed by the Board, and be submitted to the Board at their next Meeting for confirmation, as before mentioned.

(Signed) R. WARD
Solicitor.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the foregoing Report be approved and acted upon.

The Board considered further the Tender of Messrs. J. Williams, Son and Wallington, for the erection and completion of the new Battersea Bridge, for the sum of £143,000, and a Report by the Solicitor as to the result of the enquiries made by him, as directed by the Board at their last Meeting, and it was thereupon ~~moved~~ by Mr. Francis Hayman Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Board, seconded by Mr. William Robbins Selway, and ~~resolved~~—“That the Tender of Messrs. J. Williams, Son and Wallington, for the erection and completion of the new Battersea Bridge, for the sum of £143,000, be accepted, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary Contract, and to get the same executed by the Contractors, and that the Seal of the Board be affixed to such Contract, when the same shall have been so executed by the Contractors.”

47. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Appointment of Valuer in the matter of claim by Messrs. Murray and Hope (Marquis Camden's Trustees) in respect of freehold premises known as Nos. 66 and 68, Kentish-town-road, St. Pancras (Kentish-town-road to Great College-street, Improvement).

Conveyance to the Board by Mrs. M. A. Cornwell, and her Mortgagee, of leasehold interest in premises known as Nos. 49 and 51, Green-street, and Nos. 1 and 2, Chester-place, Bethnal-green, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Green-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement).

Conveyance to the Board by Mr. E. J. Ward, and his Mortgagees, of leasehold interest in premises known as Nos. 1 and 2, Helen's-place, St. Matthew, Bethnal-green, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Green-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement).

Conveyance to the Board by Messrs. Price and Grimsdell (Executors of the Will of J. Frost, deceased) of leasehold interest in No. 288, Upper-street, Islington, and premises at the rear, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Upper-street, Islington, Improvement).

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

48. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 28th instant (No. 3), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Bute-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	Kensington.
Farm-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
St. James's-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
Chapel-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	St. Marylebone.
Charles-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
George-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
George-yard	...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
Market-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
Union-yard	...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
York-street	...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.

Duke's-terrace ...	...	...	...	...	...	St. Pancras.
Howland-street	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
London-street ...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.
Phoenix-street ...	...	...	...	...	...	Do.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

49. The Clerk reported that Mr. Moore, one of the Assistants in his Department, was still unable to resume his duties, in consequence of illness, but that he hoped to be able to do so shortly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That one month's further leave of absence be granted to Mr. Moore.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Jervis, Secretary of the North Metropolitan Tramways Company, dated 31st May, 1886, stating in reply to the Board's Letter, that the Company were not aware that there was any danger arising from their steam Tram engines passing over the crossing opposite the Western entrance to Finsbury-park, and also stating that the Company could not work their traffic if they were to adopt the Board's suggestion to stop their traffic to the East of the Park entrance gates in the Seven Sisters'-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons and Open Spaces Committee.

51. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. A. J. R. Trendell, Science and Art Department of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education, dated 31st May, 1886, asking permission for a few students of the National Art Training School to make measurement drawings of Buckingham Water-gate on the Victoria Embankment.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be acceded to.

52. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of St. Mary, Islington.

Guardians' Offices,

St. John's-road, Upper Holloway, N.

31st May, 1886.

LOAN OF £1,200.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Guardians of this Parish to state that they are authorised by an Order of the Local Government Board of the 25th instant, to borrow the sum of £800 for making certain alterations in the Officers' apartments of the Workhouse School in Hornsey-road, and the sum of £400 for the enlargement of the Labour shed at Shadwell-road Workhouse, making £1,200 in all. The Guardians direct me to ask whether the Metropolitan Board of Works are willing to advance this sum, and at what rate of interest. The Local Government Board will sanction the re-payment of the principal and interest in 30 equal half-yearly instalments.

The Guardians are prepared to take up the money forthwith.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) EDWIN DAVEY,

Clerk.

The Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works,

Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

53. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

Chamber of London, Guildhall, E.C.,
June 1st, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to enclose herewith a statement of the receipt of the Coal Duties (8d. and 1d. per ton) and the duty on Wine, from 1st January, 1886, to the 31st March, 1886, showing the net proceeds of the same, viz., £74,296 17s. 6d., and to inform you that I have this day paid that amount into the Bank of England to the credit of the Account of the “Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund”

I am &c.,
(Signed) BENJAMIN SCOTT,
Chamberlain.

To J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

The Statement referred to was laid before the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque for the sum of £74,296 17s. 6d. be now drawn on the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund, for transferring that amount from the Bank of England to the Board's Account at the London and Westminster Bank.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter and Statement be referred to the Finance Committee.

54. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. B. Hills, dated 1st June, 1886, transmitting a copy of Resolutions passed at a meeting of ratepayers of St. Paul, Deptford (East Ward), urging the desirability of a free Subway being established across the River Thames from Deptford, near the Cattle-market, to Millwall.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

55. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. J. Dibdin, the Chemist to the Board, dated 25th May, 1886, asking the Board to consider the heavy duties devolving upon him in connection with the Chemical and Gas Department, and more especially those relating to the treatment and disposal of the London Sewage, with a view to such alteration in his salary as to the Board might seem fit.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

56. The Clerk presented a Letter from Colonel Sir C. Warren, G.C.M.G., Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, dated 1st June, 1886, calling attention to probable danger from the landing steps leading down to the River from the Victoria Embankment, especially those near the Cleopatra Needle, and suggesting that a substantial rail should be fixed down the middle of every flight of steps from the top to the bottom.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

57. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. A. B. C. Bellamy, Clerk of the Vestry of Streatham, dated 2nd June, 1886, enclosing a copy of a Resolution of the Vestry urging the Board to acquire the portion of land adjoining Tooting-beck-common, at present in the occupation of Mr. J. Brand, for the use of the public as Common land for ever.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That a communication founded upon the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee, on the subject, presented this day, be sent in reply to the said Letter.

58. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. C. Harding, Clerk to the Vestry of Kensington, dated 2nd June, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Special Report of the Vestry on the Sanitary, Nuisances Removal, and other cognate Acts, and a copy of a Report as to the best means to be adopted for carrying out the recommendations contained in the Special Report.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

59. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. R. R. Fairbairn, Hon. Secretary of the South Metropolitan Ratepayers' League, dated 2nd June, 1886, asking for a copy of the Plans of the proposed improvement of Blackhorse Bridge, Deptford, which were submitted to the Board on the 19th June, 1885 (No. 17).

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

60. The Clerk presented a Letter signed by the Rev. G. Godsell, and the Head Master and Head Mistress of St. Andrew's Schools, Plaistow, dated 2nd June, 1886, asking permission for the children from Beckton attending the Schools to use the High Level Sewer bank as a road-way in going to and from the Schools.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

61. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Nettlefold, dated 2nd June, 1886, late an employé of the Lambeth Bridge Company, requesting that his Pension of £34 19s. 3d. might be commuted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

62. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Floyd, Engineer of the London Southern Tramways Company, dated 31st May, 1886, stating that it was proposed to begin the construction of the South Lambeth-road section of the Tramway, as authorised by the Company's Act of 1882, on or about the 9th June.

Upon the presentation of the said Letter, Mr. Selway, as a matter of emergency, called attention to the Section in the Company's Act of 1882 relating to a sum of £1,000 to be contributed by the Company towards the cost of widening the South Lambeth-road, and he *moved*—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to consider and report whether, as the widening of the part of the South Lambeth-road, referred to, has been, at the instance of the Lambeth Vestry, carried out by the Board at the cost of the Metropolis at large, the Vestry should not be required to pay over to the Board the £1,000 paid or to be paid by the Tramway Company to the Vestry towards the cost of the Improvement.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Price, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

63. The Clerk presented a circular Letter from Mr. W. H. Farnfield, Clerk to the Poplar District Board, dated 27th May, 1886, enclosing a copy of a Resolution, stating that the District Board were of opinion that the Coal and Wine Dues should, if extended, be applied to provide means of communication North and South of the Thames, East of London Bridge.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

64. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas-testing Stations during the week ended on the 1st instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.2	16.9	17.0	10.6	9.5	10.0	0.6	0.0	0.2	None
	Camden	17.0	16.3	16.6	10.4	8.4	9.6	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	Dalston	17.0	16.5	16.9	11.2	10.8	11.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Bow	17.3	16.6	16.9	10.1	6.7	8.4	1.4	0.9	1.1	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	16.9	16.7	16.8	12.9	10.9	11.8	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	" (Nine-elms)	17.4	16.5	16.9	13.4	10.9	12.1	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Kingsland-road	18.0	16.2	17.2	11.1	7.7	9.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross	17.5	16.1	16.9	12.5	8.1	10.1	0.8	0.5	0.6	"
	St. John's-wood	17.4	16.9	17.2	13.5	10.5	11.7	0.8	0.3	0.5	"
	Lambeth	16.7	16.2	16.5	13.5	9.1	10.9	0.2	0.1	0.1	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	Station closed for repairs									
	Peckham	16.8	16.3	16.5	11.4	6.0	9.7	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	Tooley-street	16.7	16.2	16.4	14.2	11.3	12.7	0.3	0.0	0.1	"
	Clapham	16.8	16.4	16.6	10.5	10.5	10.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Lewisham	16.7	16.3	16.5	9.5	6.3	7.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Old Ford	17.4	16.9	17.1	13.3	7.2	10.8	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	St. George-in-the- East	17.9	17.1	17.5	17.7	10.4	13.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	"

The pressure of the Gas supplied by the Gas Light and Coke Company, as tested in Goswell-road, on 26th May, at 9 p.m., was 2.5 inches.

65. It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the motion by Mr. Fowler, notice of which appears in the Paper of Business, be now considered.

It was thereupon moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Board, at its rising on Friday, the 11th instant, do stand adjourned to Friday, the 25th instant, and that no Committees be called (except in cases of urgency) between the 11th and 21st instant.

66. Mr. Mossop, by leave of the Board, withdrew the motion, of which he had given notice, with reference to the Chelsea Electric Lighting Order, 1886.

67. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Turner, District Surveyor for the District of East Islington, for the consent of the Board to the appointment by him of his son, Mr. John Goldicut Turner, as his Deputy, for a further period.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee for consideration and report.

68. BETHNAL-GREEN.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. T. C. Clarke and Son, on behalf of the Governors of the Parmiter Charity, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch and two bay-windows, in front of the Schools in Approach-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the porch and bay-windows therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner altered or raised without the consent of the Board.

69. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. G. Watts, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a pent roof, in front of No. 72, Blackheath-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

70. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. A. Lewcock, for the consent of the Board to the erection and construction of a temporary wood and iron Church at the corner of Rectory and Evering Roads, Stoke Newington, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be granted for a period of two years from this date, upon condition that the erection of the Church therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

71. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Dudley, on behalf of Mr. Duckworth, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shop additions in front of Nos. 52 to 60, Wharfdale-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the shop additions therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

72. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. J. Bolton, on behalf of Mr. W. Prout, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops on the South side of Alexander-road, Holloway-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

73. NEWINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st May, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Sutton and Dudley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings on the South-West side of Penton-place, Walworth, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

74. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Murgitroyd, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of Nos. 69 and 69A, Usher-road, Bow, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

75. ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Scott, on behalf of Mr. Cater, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop-front, bay-windows and balconies in front of No. 56, Pall-mall, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the several projections therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

76. ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Addis, on behalf of Mr. Gabor, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an iron and glass pent over the front entrance to No. 9, Panton-square, Arundell-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

77. SHOREDITCH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st June, 1886, on the application of Mr. B. A. Elphicke, on behalf of Mr. A. Mountford, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of No. 66, New North-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

78. CITY OF LONDON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st June, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. W. Man, on behalf of the Proprietors of the *St. James's Gazette*, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the re-construction of a chimney-shaft at the Printing Offices in Dorset-court, Dorset-square.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

79. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Worssam, on behalf of the Lordship-road Lawn Tennis Club, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron pavilion erected at the rear of houses in Lordship-road, Stoke Newington.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

80. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st June, 1886, on the application of Captain L. Grant, for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the construction of a summer-house erected at the end of the garden at the rear of No. 34, Comerford-road, Brockley-road.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

81. MILE-END OLD-TOWN.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. M. Knight, on behalf of Mr. J. West, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the "Ropery," in Grosvenor-street, Commercial-road.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

82. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, on a Letter from the Hackney District Board, relative to the erection of barriers across Leabourne-road, on the Craven-park Estate, at Clapton, contrary to the condition contained in the Resolution of the Board of the 10th August, 1877 (No. 103).

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

83. POPLAR.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Payne, District Surveyor, asking the Board to instruct him as to the course to be taken by him in respect of certain alterations and repairs in progress, to a large wooden building in Old Ford-road, Bow.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 84. METROPOLIS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, stating that the Licenses granted by the Board, for permission to erect temporary buildings in The Grove, Homerton, and in Sutherland-street, Pimlico, had expired, and that applications had not been received for the renewal of the Licenses.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the subject be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 85. HACKNEY (WEST).**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. George Legg, District Surveyor for the District of West Hackney, stating that he was desirous of removing his District Office from No. 64, Graham-road to No. 53, Dalston-lane.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the change in the said District Office be approved.

- 86. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st June, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Kynoch, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards to the front gables of two houses in Trinity-road, Wandsworth-common.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 87. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, a License and Plan, in duplicate, in respect of a temporary Coffee Cabin erected at the corner of Novar-road, Pope-street, Eltham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License and Plan, in duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 11th instant, at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 22.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **11th** day of **June**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq.,	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WIL-
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	M.P.	LIAMS, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-	GEORGE HILL, Esq.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL,	HALL, Esq.	THOMAS FRANCIS RIDER, Esq.
Esq.	FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq.,	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.
THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL,	F.R.C.S. Eng.	ALFRED POCOCK, Esq.
Esq.	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.	WILLIAM BURNHAM GAR-
JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.	RETT, Esq.
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN,	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT,
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	Esq.	Esq.
CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY,	GUILDFORD BARKER RICH-
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	Esq.	ARDSON, Esq.
COLONEL MUNRO.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.
JOHN EDWIN BRADFELD,	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.
FREDERICK COX, Esq.	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.

1. It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Harben, and *resolved*—That
FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board,
be requested to take the Chair; and he took the Chair accordingly.
2. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board, held on the 4th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Deputy-Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.
3. Read Letters, as follows—

Parish of St. James, Westminster.

Vestry Hall,
Piccadilly, W.,
11th June, 1886.

SIR,—Referring to your letter of the 22nd ulto., I have to inform you that Mr. John Bonthron was yesterday unanimously re-elected the representative of this Parish on the Metropolitan Board of Works, for the usual term of office.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) HARRY WILKINS,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

11 June, 1886.

A Common Council holden in the Chamber of the Guildhall, of the City of London,
on Thursday, the 10th day of June, 1886.

Staples, Mayor.

This day the Court proceeded to the appointment of a person to be a Member of the Metropolitan Board, in accordance with the 44th Section of the Act of Parliament of the 18 and 19 Vict., cap. 120, intituled, "An Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis," in the room of the Member who by effluxion of time ceased to be Member of the Board on Wednesday, the 9th instant.

RESOLVED *unanimously*—"That this Court doth hereby appoint Sir Robert Nicholas
"Fowler, Baronet and Alderman, Member of Parliament, to be a Member of the
"said Metropolitan Board in pursuance of the Act of the 18th and 19th Victoria,
"chapter 120."

(Signed) MONCKTON.

Vestry of St. Marylebone.

Court House, Marylebone-lane, W.,
June 10th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to forward to you, herewith, Resolution of this Vestry re-electing
William Debenham, Esq., as one of their representatives at the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. E. GREENWELL,
J. E. Wakefield, Esq., Vestry Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works, Per W. H. G.
Spring-gardens.

St. Marylebone,
June 10th, 1886.

At the Vestry, Mr. Churchwarden Edwards in the Chair.

RESOLVED *unanimously*—"That William Debenham, Esq., of No. 41, Grove-end-road,
"St. John's-wood, be, and he is hereby, re-elected a Member of the Metropolitan
"Board of Works."

(Extracted from the Minutes.)

W. E. GREENWELL,
Vestry Clerk,
Per W. H. G.

The Board of Works for the Westminster District.

Town-hall, Westminster, S.W.,
9th June, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I have to inform that, at a Special Meeting of this Board held to-day at
3 p.m., Mr. Thomas John White was duly re-elected a Member of the Metropolitan Board of
Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. E. SMITH
J. E. Wakefield, Esq., Clerk to the Board.
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Board of Works for the Limehouse District.

Office, White Horse-street,
Commercial-road East, E.,
9th June, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that the Board of Works for the Limehouse District have
unanimously re-elected John Abbott, Esquire, a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works.
for the ensuing three years.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. W. RATCLIFF,
J. E. Wakefield, Esq., Clerk of the Board,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Vestry of the Parish of Hammersmith.

Vestry-hall, Broadway,
Hammersmith, W.,
9th day of June, 1886.

SIR,—On the other side I beg to hand you copy of a Resolution passed by this Vestry at its Meeting held to-day.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. P. COCKBURN,
Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

(Copy Resolution.)

RESOLVED, *unanimously*—"That Mr. George Brown, of No. 1, Rivercourt-road, Hammersmith be, and is hereby elected a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works."

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, S.W.,
9th June, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I have to inform you that at the Meeting of this Board held to-day, Benjamin Weir, Esquire, of Rothsay House, Balham, was unanimously re-elected a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works for this District for the ensuing three years.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) HEN. GEO. HILLS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

St. Saviour's District Board of Works.

Board-room, Emerson-street,
Bankside, Southwark, S.E.,
10th June, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that, at a Special Meeting of this Board held yesterday, Mr. Thomas Francis Rider, of No. 181, Union-street, Borough, was elected a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works to represent the St. Saviour's District for the three years next ensuing.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) W. H. ATKINS,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

Board of Works for the Poplar District.

117, High-street, Poplar, E.
10th June, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I have the pleasure to inform you that at a Board Meeting held last evening, it was *unanimously* RESOLVED "That Edward Rider Cook, Esq., M.P., be re-elected a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works as one of the representatives of this District Board for the ensuing three years."

I am, &c.,
(Signed) LEONARD POTTS,
Assistant Clerk to the Board.

The Clerk
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

Board of Works, Holborn District.

Clerk's Office, Holborn Town Hall,
Gray's-inn-road, W.C.,
10th June, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that at a Special Meeting of the District Board last evening Mr. George Phillips was unanimously re-elected a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works for this District.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) S. W. HOPWOOD,
Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

11 June, 1886.

Vestry, St. Mary, Newington.

Vestry-hall, Walworth, S.E.,

10th June, 1886.

Ref. No. 1,918.

SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 22nd ulto., I beg to acquaint you that, at a Meeting of this Vestry held last evening, Mr. William Robbins Selway was unanimously re-elected to represent this Vestry at the Metropolitan Board of Works for the ensuing three years.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) L. J. DUNHAM,

Vestry Clerk.

The Clerk of the
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

Office of the Board of Works, Whitechapel District.

No. 15, Great Alie-street, Whitechapel,

June 11th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—At a Meeting of the Board of Works for the Whitechapel District, held on Thursday, the 10th day of June, 1886, the following Resolution was passed—

It was moved by Mr. Guthwaite, seconded by Mr. Barham, and *RESOLVED, unanimously*—"That the thanks of this Board be accorded to Colonel Donald "Munro for the services rendered by him in the past as their Member at the "Metropolitan Board of Works, and that he be now elected and respectfully "requested to act as the Member of the Metropolitan Board to represent the "Whitechapel District for the ensuing three years."

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) ALFRED TURNER,

Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

141, Greenwich-road, Greenwich, S.E.,

June 11th, 1886.

SIR,—I beg to inform you that at a Meeting of this Board, held on the 9th instant, Mr. William Andrews, of Withdean Lodge, 117, Lewisham High-road, New-cross, was duly and unanimously re-elected to be a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. SPENCER,

Clerk of the Board.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead.

Vestry-hall, Hampstead, N.W.,

10th June, 1886.

ELECTION OF A MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to enclose a copy of a Resolution passed at the Vestry held this evening.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. BRIDGER,

Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

At a Meeting of the Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, held at the Vestry Hall, Haverstock-hill, on Thursday, the 10th day of June, 1886, pursuant to notice duly given, present: Henry Harben, Esq., in the Chair, and 57 other Vestrymen,

It was moved by Mr. Stone, seconded by Mr. Clowser, and *RESOLVED, unanimously*—"That Mr. Henry Harben be re-elected as the representative of the Parish of "Hampstead at the Metropolitan Board of Works for the ensuing three years."

Vestry-hal, Lambeth,
11th June, 1886.

SIR,—I have to inform you that, at the meeting of the Vestry last night, Mr. P. W. Funnell was re-elected a Member of your Board for Lambeth.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) HENRY J. SMITH,
Clerk to the Vestry.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch.

Vestry Offices,
Town-hall, Old-street, E.C.,
10th June, 1886.

SIR,—I have to inform you that this Vestry has this evening re-elected Captain F. M. Wenborn, as one of its representatives at the Metropolitan Board of Works, he having ceased to be a Member of such Board by effluxion of time on Wednesday, the 9th instant.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) E. WALKER,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board, Spring-gardens.

4. A Deputation from the Vestry of Lambeth, introduced by Mr. Funnell, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. W. Stockbridge, Mr. W. M. Symons, Mr. G. Garlick, Mr. T. Hooper, Mr. J. Bygrave, and Mr. C. Arnold, accompanied by Mr. H. J. Smith, the Clerk to the Vestry, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Petition of the Vestry of the Parish of Lambeth,

SHEWETH—

That the Albert Embankment and High-street, Vauxhall, and part of Nine-elms-lane, are within the Parish of Lambeth, and under the control and management of your Memorialists.

That the construction of the Albert Embankment has created a great increase to the traffic at Vauxhall, which increased traffic has all to pass through the narrow throat of High-street, Vauxhall, the width of the road-way of the Embankment being from 80 to 90 feet wide, and the road-way of High-street being only 45 feet.

That, in addition to the general traffic, a very large and increasing traffic exists to the goods station of the London and South-Western Railway Company in Nine-elms-lane, the road-way of which lane is only 35 feet wide at its commencement.

That the construction of Tramways on the Embankment, Nine-elms-lane and Wandsworth-road has further limited the road-way space available for general wheel traffic.

That a great public Improvement would be effected if the property on the East side of High-street, Vauxhall, could be pulled down, and a sufficient space thrown into the road. The whole of such buildings were included in the property within the limits of deviation of the lands shown on the Plans deposited for the Act under which the Albert Embankment was constructed.

That a further great public Improvement would be effected if the entrance to Nine-elms-lane to the gates of the Goods Station could be widened and the road-way considerably increased.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honourable Board will take the necessary measures to widen High-street, Vauxhall, and the entrance to Nine-elms-lane, such work to be carried out as a Metropolitan Improvement out of the general funds of the Board.

(Signed) HENRY J. SMITH,
Clerk to the Vestry.

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The Deputation having been heard in support of the Memorial,

It was moved by Mr. Funnell, seconded by Mr. Hill, and resolved—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

5. This being the day appointed for receiving Tenders for the laying down of new granite carriage-ways and York stone foot-ways, and constructing certain brick and pipe sewers, in connection with the intended new line of thoroughfare from Southwark-bridge-road to Great Dover-street, Borough,

The Clerk laid before the Board thirteen Tenders which he had received pursuant to the Advertisement.

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Tenders be now opened.

The Tenders were opened, as follows—

	£	s.	d.
Messrs. Hindle and Morrish, Limited, No. 42, Bankside ...	10,849	0	0
Mr. Richard Mayo, Peckford-place works, Brixton-road ...	10,894	0	0
Mr. W. Stubbs, Phoenix Wharf, Commercial-road, Lambeth ...	11,980	0	0
Messrs. John Mowlem and Co., Grosvenor Wharf, Westminster ...	12,250	0	0
Messrs. H. R. Treherne and Co., Lombard-road, Battersea ...	12,282	0	0
Messrs. H. F. Snow and Co., No. 8, Suffolk-lane ...	12,300	0	0
Mr. T. Turner, Stanley Bridge Wharf, Chelsea ...	12,652	0	0
Mr. G. G. Ratty, Bromley-by-Bow ...	12,990	0	0
Mr. W. Webster, No. 8, St. Martin's-place ...	13,000	0	0
Mr. W. F. Chadwick, No. 14, Great Howard-street, Liverpool ...	13,029	3	4
Messrs. J. W. and J. Neave, Leytonstone ...	13,339	15	0
Mr. C. Wall, Ashburnham works, Lots-road, Chelsea ...	13,387	0	0
Messrs. J. Williams, Son and Wallington, No. 132, Shepherd's-bush-road ...	16,100	0	0

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do now resolve into a Committee to consider the Tenders, and do meet again at this place at the rising of such Committee.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **11th** day of **June**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER LIND-SAY, Esq.	ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	EDWIN LAWRENCE, Esq.
JOHN JONES, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-HALL, Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.
JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.	WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.
GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.
THOMAS FRANCIS RIDER, Esq.	CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.
GEORGE HILL, Esq.	THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	COLONEL MUNRO.
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., Eng.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.
	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WILLIAMS, Esq.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.
	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	ALFRED POCOCK, Esq.,
		GEORGE BROWN, Esq.
		THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.

1. Mr. Shepherd brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD.

Spring-gardens, 14th June, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the several Tenders for the execution of paving and sewer works, in the intended new line of street, from Southwark-bridge-road to Great Dover-street, Borough, referred to them this day, and beg to recommend—

That the Tender of Messrs. Hindle and Morrish, for the execution of the said works, for the sum of £10,849 be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W^M. SHEPHERD,
SAM^L. PRICE.

The Report having been read and received,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Price, and ~~resolved~~—That the Tender of Messrs. Hindle and Morrish for the laying down of new Granite carriage-ways and York stone foot-ways, and the construction of certain brick and pipe sewers,

in connection with the intended new line of thoroughfare from Southwark-bridge-road to Great Dover-street, Borough, for a sum of £10,849, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

Mr. Morrish was then called in and informed by the Chairman (Mr. Fowler), of the foregoing Resolution, and, in reply to a question, he stated that his firm were prepared to execute the works in accordance with the Board's Specification, and for the amount of the Tender.

2. Mr. Runtz handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Hackney District.

Town-hall, Hackney, E.
10th June, 1886.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

METROPOLITAN IMPROVEMENTS.—MARE-STREET WIDENING.

SIR,—In view of the Metropolitan Board of Works preparing their list of Metropolitan Improvements, to be included in a Bill for the coming Parliamentary Session, I am directed by the Board of Works for the Hackney District to call the attention of your Board to the application of my Board of June 25th, 1885, in respect of the above main thoroughfare.

Since the Metropolitan Board of Works carried out the Improvement Northward of the North London Railway Station in 1878, the growth of the traffic has been enormous, this being the principal route for vehicles from all parts of London to Epping Forest, Chingford, High Beech, &c., and the tramway and general local traffic has increased to such an extent that serious blockages are of continual occurrence, and many accidents (some of them fatal) have occurred in the narrow parts of this street.

In the application made by my Board last year, the whole of this thoroughfare from Dalston-lane to Cambridge-heath was included; but it has since been intimated to the Board that probably the Metropolitan Board of Works would not be prepared to entertain so large a scheme at one time, and inasmuch as the narrow parts of Mare-street are in sections, they should be requested to deal with certain sections in the coming Session.

My Board have considered the matter, and desire to submit for the consideration of the Metropolitan Board of Works the sections, marked AB, CD, and EF, on the accompanying Plan, thus—

A to B.—From the South side of Clapton-square Southward to the Northern end of the part already dealt with by the Metropolitan Board of Works in 1878.

C to D.—From the Southern side of the North London Railway Bridge in continuation Southward to Paragon-road.

E to F.—From the Southern side of St. Thomas' Chapel Southward to Helmsley-street.

The sections in the opinion of my Board are most affected by the pressure of traffic, and in the event of your Board desiring to modify the scheme, they beg to submit them for your first consideration.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) RICHARD ELLIS.

The Plan referred to was laid before the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Runtz, seconded, and resolved—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

3. Mr. Abbott handed in a Letter, as follows—

Board of Works for the Limehouse District.

Office, White-horse-street,
Commercial-road East, E.,
11th June, 1886.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by the Board of Works for the Limehouse District to inform the Metropolitan Board that renewed complaints have been made by inhabitants of houses

in the locality and others of the escape of noxious effluvia from the ventilating grate of the main Sewer at the Triangle, Limehouse.

This Board beg to refer to their Letter to the Metropolitan Board, dated 13th January, 1886, in which it is stated that the attention of this Board had been directed to the improved state of the main Sewers running through the Limehouse District as regards the escape of noxious gases from the ventilating grates thereof, and expressing the great satisfaction of this Board at the beneficial result of the process adopted.

This Board would also refer to the draft Report of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee of the Metropolitan Board, sent to this Board, upon the cleansing and ventilation Sewers generally, and more particularly to that part thereof (page 23) which states that, "During hot and dry weather decomposition is rapid, and your Committee are of opinion that "it is then desirable to improve the condition of the sewage, and, as far as possible, prevent the "formation of offensive gases."

This Board begs most respectfully to call the attention of the Metropolitan Board to the matter, in the hope that directions will be given for the deodorisation of the sewage at the place before mentioned, so as to prevent the discharge of offensive and noxious gases therefrom.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. W. RATCLIFF,
Clerk of the Board.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Abbott, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee and the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, and also to the Engineer, for consideration and report.

4. Mr. Fardell, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 8th June, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statements prepared by your Accountant, and have ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

11 June, 1886.

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—

Balance on 22nd May, 1886	...	...	...	...	£108,934	8	7
Receipts since that date, as per Statement presented this day	...	...	...	...	996,513	4	6
Payments since 22nd May, 1886	...	...	...	...	£1,105,447	13	1
Balance on 5th June, 1886	...	...	...	...	464,704	-	10
{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank				...	£643,665	2	7
Less cheques not presented				...	2,921	10	4

640,743 12 3

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

Balance on 22nd May, 1886	...	...	...	...	£1,290	10	9
Receipts since that date	...	...	...	...	4,858	19	9
Payments since 22nd May, 1886	...	...	...	...	£6,149	10	6
Balance on 5th June, 1886,	...	...	...	...	4,907	14	1
{ viz.: Cash Balance at Bank				...	1,285	16	2
Less Cheques not presented				...	44	-	6

1,241 15

Total Cash Balances on 5th June, 1886**£641,985 7***Distribution of the Consolidated Cash Balance among the several Accounts, and Statement of Cheques in hand.*

Heads of Accounts.	Balances, 22nd May, 1886.		Receipts and payments since the preceding date.		Balances, 5th June, 1886.		Cheques drawn but not issued.
	At Debit.	At Credit.	Receipts.	Payments.	At Debit.	At Credit.	
<i>Working Accounts—</i>	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s.
General ...	32,802 - 6	...	538 10 4	320,483 - 8	352,746 10 10	...	51 14
Fire Brigade ...	32,857 8 6	...	38,912 12 5	4,588 19 10	...	1,466 4 1	...
Bridges ...	...	4,914 12 11	54,015 6 -	55,807 8 4	...	3,122 10 7	10 2
<i>Capital Accounts—</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
General ...	...	763,329 12 2	614,476 5 9	40,112 10 -	...	1,337,693 7 11	49,424 -
Fire Brigade ...	6,598 5 4	...	...	976 12 3	7,574 17 7	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1877) ...	8,186 7 8	...	...	3 3 -	8,189 10 8	...	...
Bridges (Act of 1881) ...	26,179 14 5	...	...	136 5 1	26,315 19 6	...	11,070 10
Bridges (Act of 1883) ...	11,282 18 3	...	...	31 2 7	11,314 - 10	...	...
Woolwich Ferry (1885) ...	- 19 11	...	...	4 13 4	5 13 3	...	367 11
Main Drainage and Main Sewers ...	43,353 11 1	...	...	9,488 1 10	52,841 12 11	...	45 3
Parks and Open Spaces ...	566 3 -	...	...	35 3 -	601 6 -	...	...
Highbury Fields ...	30,710 2 9	...	...	...	30,710 2 9	...	7 5
Streets (Act of 1872) ...	1,005 9 1	...	...	28 3 4	1,032 12 5	...	...
Streets (Act of 1877) ...	94,085 19 11	...	...	444 17 9	94,530 17 8	...	5,566 18 7
Tooley-street Extension (Act of 1882) ...	94 9 5	...	...	...	94 9 5	...	...
Streets (Act of 1883) ...	86,709 4 3	...	...	20,948 17 -	107,658 1 3	...	25,859 18 11
Streets (Act of 1884) ...	2,933 9 9	...	...	...	2,933 9 9	...	...
Streets (Act of 1885) ...	8 7 3	...	...	...	8 7 3	...	...
Appold Street ...	...	145 9 3	...	...	...	145 9 3	...
Hampstead Improvements ...	57,902 14 4	...	8 18 -	829 8 9	58,723 5 1	...	1,466 16 5
Poplar Improvement ...	7,790 9 10	...	...	1,668 6 5	9,458 16 3	...	37 9 2
Thames Floods Prevention ...	2,044 6 5	...	...	343 10 8	2,387 17 1	...	...
<i>Miscellaneous—</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dwelling-house Improvement Fund ...	11,706 10 2	...	6,302 8 -	1,269 18 9	6,674 - 11	...	3,044 2 6
Consolidated Loans Fund ...	202,729 4 2	...	282,259 4 -	7,503 18 3	...	72,026 1 7	55 17 10
Firemen's Savings Fund ...	...	92 10 3	...	...	...	92 10 3	...
	659,547 16 -	768,482 4 7	996,513 4 6	464,704 - 10	773,802 11 5	1,414,546 3 8	97,007 10 3
	£108,934 8 7				£640,743 12 3		

FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND

INVESTMENTS.

£3,120 8 5

Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 24th May to 5th June, 1886—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.							£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Assessments—												
Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter ...							29	3	10			
Supplemental Assessments <i>re</i> Government Property—												
Lewisham District ...							£2	2	3			
St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark ...							19	1	4			
										21	3	7
Fees—												
<i>Re</i> Construction of buildings (Building Act) ...							£6	5	—			
„ Dangerous structures ...							176	13	11			
„ Gas-meter testing ...							71	—	2			
„ Petroleum ...							24	5	—			
„ Explosives ...							3	4	—			
										281	8	1
Costs recovered—												
<i>Re</i> Loans ...							£115	18	—			
„ Leases ...							13	15	—			
„ License ...							10	10	—			
Law costs ...							—	11	6			
										140	14	6
Proceeds of sales of carcases—												
<i>Re</i> Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act ...							42	3	—			
Plans &c. sold ...							5	4	—			
Drain-junctions to main sewers ...							14	3	4			
Rebate on purchase of seeds supplied to various open spaces ...							4	10	—			
										538	10	4
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.												
Contributions from men towards rent ...							103	—				
Chimney-fire penalties... ..							12	7	—			
Return of unclaimed wages ...							5	10				
Value of blanket refunded by ex-fireman ...							—	4	—			
Transfer from <i>General Working Account</i> —												
First moiety of amount raised under precepts ...							38,796	15	7			
										38,912	12	5
BRIDGES (MAINTENANCE) ACCOUNT.												
Rent ...							13	16	—			
Transfer from <i>General Working Account</i> —												
First moiety of amount raised under precepts ...							54,001	10	—			
										54,015	6	—
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT.												
Deposit and Instalments, <i>re</i> Loan of £1,250,000 ...										614,476	5	9
Carried forward ...										£707,942	14	6

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	707,942	14	6

HAMPSTEAD IMPROVEMENTS.

Rent	8	18	-
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DWELLING HOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Rent	2	8	-
Sales—			
Goulston-street	6,300	-	-
		6,302	8 -

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Rent	915	2	8
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Loans—			
Interest	£3,171	10	9
Repayments	2,371	2	3
		5,542	13 -

Sales—			
Deptford Bridge Approaches	£2,700	-	-
Piccadilly... ..	3,000	-	-
Charing-cross (old materials)	292	2	-
Southwark Bridge-road, do.	299	3	9
Jamaica-road, do.	3	14	-
Walworth-road, do.	6	-	-
		6,300	19 9

Interest re sales—			
Deptford Bridge approaches	£2	10	-
Piccadilly	23	-	3
		25	10 3

Proportion of rates in respect of properties acquired by the Board ...	4	10	5
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Transfer from General Working Account—

First moiety of amount raised under precepts	213,899	17	11
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Transfer from Bridges Maintenance Account—

Amount raised under precepts to provide for dividend and sinking fund 55,570 10 -			
		282,259	4 -
		£996,513	4 6

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal Officers for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct; and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £175,253 19s. 7d. be paid.

Your Committee have had before them Statements of certain sums payable to District Surveyors in respect of services in connection with Dangerous Structures, and for expenses of Shoring and Hoarding; and they recommend—

That the necessary Orders be made with respect to the same.

Pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 6th July, 1883 (No. 8), your Committee have had before them a Statement of the Salaries which will become payable to the Board's Officers on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £9,312 ls. 5d. which Statement has been approved by your Committee ; and they beg to submit the same, and to recommend—

That the Board do pass an Order authorising the Treasurer to pay the several amounts on or after the 25th instant.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Vestry of Chelsea, for permission to borrow, and for the advance of a sum of £3,000 to defray the cost of wood-paving, referred by the Board on the 28th ultimo (No. 48). The Vestry propose to take up the road-way of Oakley-street, and to re-lay about 6,150 square yards, of 5-inch yellow blocks, on Portland cement concrete 6 inches in thickness, at an estimated cost (10s. per yard), including the raising and fixing of new gullies, of £3,075, which your Engineer considers fair and reasonable. Mr. Mossop, the representative of the Vestry has explained the necessity for the works, and, seeing no objection to the advance, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. Luke, Chelsea, for permission to borrow and also for a Loan of a sum of £3,000, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April within Six years ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan ; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Guardians of the Poor of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union, requesting a Loan of a sum of £3,500, referred by the Board on the 16th April last (No. 53). The Guardians propose to erect a Dispensary and Relief Station, for which they have obtained the requisite sanction of the Local Government Board. As there appears to be no objection to the Loan, your Committee recommend—

That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union, for a Loan of a sum of £3,500 to defray the cost of the erection of a Dispensary and Relief Station, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, calculated quarterly, and with the principal being re-paid by such equal half-yearly payments, as reckoning principal and interest together will re-pay the sum borrowed within 30 years ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

Your Committee have considered the application of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, for a Loan of a sum of £10,785, referred by the Board on the 15th January last (No. 35). The Managers have obtained authority from the Local Government Board to raise a Loan to carry out certain drainage works at the Northern Hospital, for softening, filtering, and purifying the water supply at Darenth Asylum, and for works at West Wharf, Fulham, estimated to cost respectively, £1,503, £3,075, and £6,207. The Board have the funds to make the advance, and your Committee, seeing no objection thereto, recommend—

That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, for a Loan of a sum of £10,785 towards defraying the cost of drainage works at the Northern Hospital ; and the cost of works for softening, filtering, and purifying the water supply at the Darenth Asylum, and works at West Wharf, Fulham, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July and the 31st October in each year and the principal by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, as to £7,827 within 30 years,

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and as to £2,958 within 10 years ; that it be referred to the Solicitor to complete the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

In accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 28th ultimo (No. 12), your Committee have considered the subject of the appropriation of the amount received on account of the Board's Loan for the present year, raised by the issue of £1,250,000 Three per Cent. Metropolitan Stock. By the Board's Money Act of 1885 (Section 17) is provided that the Board may, within 12 months after the issue of Consolidated Stock, carry to the Dividend Account of the Consolidated Loans Fund so much of the moneys arising from the issue of such Stock as the Treasury may approve, in order to cover the payment of Dividend from dates earlier than those fixed for receiving the cash instalments of the Loan. The Stock was issued on the 25th May at the average price of £99 12s. 2d., and it bore an unearned Dividend of nearly 17s. 4½d. per cent. The total sum to be transferred in respect thereof is £10,853 7s. 3d., for which the Treasury sanction must be obtained, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That the necessary application be made to the Treasury.

The gross amount receivable from the Loan is £1,245,146 18s. 6d., and should the Treasury agree to the proposed transfer of £10,853 7s. 3d. to provide the unearned Dividend payable upon the Stock, the net produce will be £1,234,293 11s. 3d. which it is proposed to apply to the respective purposes stated in the Estimate for raising the Loan, presented to the Board on the 28th May last (No. 12), except that it becomes necessary to reduce the total of £1,039,470 mentioned in that Estimate, by deducting £15,706 8s. 9d. from the amount proposed to be raised for minor Improvements, thereby reducing the total of the Board's own requirements to £1,023,763 11s. 3d. and the total amount to be raised to £1,234,293 11s. 3d. As it is necessary that the Treasury should sanction the appropriation, your Committee recommend—

That the requisite application be made to the Treasury.

Your Committee have for some time past had under consideration the subject of the difficulty which the Board sometimes experience in obtaining payment of the expenses incurred in connection with Dangerous Structures, and they have received from your Solicitor a Report as to the Board's power to sell the premises, or to take any other proceedings for obtaining payment. In the majority of cases in which expenses are incurred the money is recovered, in others Orders are obtained charging on the site the amount due but in some cases practical means of enforcing payment appears to be wanting. As the Building Act Committee have charge of the work relating to Dangerous Structures, your Committee think it desirable that your Solicitor's Report should be referred to that Committee for consideration, with a request that they will inform your Committee what course they have thought it desirable to adopt in reference thereto, with a view to facilitate the recovery of such expenses, and your Committee recommend accordingly.

On the 28th May last (No. 1), the Board decided not to proceed further with the Loan of £12,000 and £3,000 to the Greenwich District Board, and it therefore becomes necessary that the Cheques for £15,000, and £18 15s. for stamp-duty, drawn on the 26th March last in respect of the Loan, should be cancelled.

On the 14th ultimo a Cheque was drawn on the Bridges Maintenance Account for £9 6s. 10d., the half-yearly pension due to Mr. J. Irwin. It has been ascertained that Mr. Irwin died on the 26th November last, and the amount due to his representatives, £1 12s., having been paid through the Petty Disbursement Account, it is necessary that the Cheque should be cancelled.

On the 24th ultimo the Works and General Purposes Committee drew a Cheque on the Dwelling House Improvement Fund for £16 3s., in favour of Mr. R. C. Driver, on a second Certificate, issued in error from the Office of Works and Public Buildings,

but the Cheque not being required it should be cancelled. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the four Cheques above referred to be cancelled.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. G. FARDELL,
DONALD MUNRO,
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GEORGE JAMES.

STATEMENT SUBMITTED WITH THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
LAST AND SONS—(1670)—						
6620 Costs allowed by magistrate, <i>re</i> Suttle, Building Act case, May, 1886	2	2	-			
COMPENSATION for cattle slaughtered under Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act—(1671)—						
6621 Batters, Mrs. M. A.	£47	5	-			
6622 Busson, Jas.	13	10	-			
6623 Davies, D.	32	5	-			
6624 James, J. T.	9	-	-			
6625 Johnson, J.	12	15	-			
6626 Nicholls, A. E.	98	5	-			
6627 Phillips, D.	78	-	-			
6628 Rice, E.	40	10	-			
6629 Webb, R.	84	15	-			
				416	5	-
COMPENSATION for swine slaughtered under Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act—(1672)—						
6630 Morsley, C.	£9	15	-			
6631 Surrey County Lunatic Asylum Managers	18	19	3			
6632 Wicks, E....	1	10	-			
				30	4	3
COX, W.—(1631)—						
6633 Glassware for office use, May, 1886	2	17	1			
COMPTON, J., AND SON—(1490)—						
6634 Clothing for park &c. constables, quarter to 31st March, 1886 ...	18	1	3			
EASTON AND ANDERSON—(1569)—						
6635 Repairs &c. to machinery at Crossness, March to May, 1886—						
Pumping-station	£53	15	-			
Deodorizing	41	-	-			
				94	15	-
JOHNSON, S. H., AND Co.—(1630)—						
6636 Cloths for use in sewage press at Crossness, May, 1886	43	16	-			
GASLIGHT AND COKE Co.—(1614)—						
6637 Repairs to gas service of lamps on parapet of Victoria-embankment, February to April, 1886	7	14	7			
CARTER, PAGE AND Co.—(1621)—						
6638 Grass seed for sundry parks &c., May, 1886	30	-	9			
MACFARLANE BROS.—(1626)—						
6639 Repairs at Finsbury-park and Victoria-embankment-gardens, quarter to 31st March, 1886	24	6	11			
HARDING, R.—(1623)—						
6640 Repairs to pipes and fittings of water service to fountains in Leicester-square-gardens, March and April, 1886	10	-	-			
WRIGHT, C.—(1628)—						
6641 Carting work at Peckham-rye-common, December, 1885, and January, 1886	5	10	-			
Carried forward	685	12	10			

						£	s.	d.	£	s.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	685	12	10	...	...
CATTERMOLE, D.—(1622)—										
6642	Repairing and sharpening gardening tools, quarter to 31st March, 1886					3	14	—		
PATTENDEN AND HICKS—(1484)—										
6643	Rope, Canvas &c., for use at parks and open spaces, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...	19	13	7		
BASSETT, H.—(1620)—										
6644	Food &c., for pony and water-fowl at Finsbury-park, December, 1885, to March, 1886	...	...	...	...	10	19	6		
METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSIONERS, per Bank of England—(1627)—										
6645	Services of constables at parks &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886	...				298	11	6		
COW, P. B.—(1564)—										
6646	Return of amount deposited with the Board by Mr. W. A. Smith, in respect of the temporary Mission-hall at Eardley-road, Streatham	...	...	...	...	50		—		
KNIGHTS, J. F.—(1625)—										
6647	Photography, <i>re</i> buildings of offices of the Board, for purpose of establishing right of lights, May, 1886	...	...	...	...	12	5	—		
BRASS AND SON—(1684)—										
6648	Shoring, hoarding &c., dangerous structures	...	...	...	...	31	9	1		
DISTRICT SURVEYORS—(1686)—										
	Fees, <i>re</i> Dangerous structures—									
6649	Carritt, E.	...	...	...	...	£2	—	—		
6650	Conder, A.	...	...	...	...	4	5	—		
6651	Fletcher, B.	...	...	...	...	4	12	6		
6652	Fowler, C.	...	...	...	...	2	5	—		
6653	Grose, V. J.	...	...	...	...	3	10	—		
6654	Gundry, H.	...	...	...	...	2	7	6		
6655	Hammon, M. J.	...	...	...	...	6	15	—		
6656	Hayward, C. F.	...	...	...	...	17	7	6		
6657	Jennings, J.	...	...	...	...	2	—	—		
6658	Lansdown, G.	...	...	...	...	6	5	—		
6659	Legg, H. S.	...	...	...	...	2	12	6		
6660	McDonell, G.	...	...	...	...	3	17	6		
6661	Markham, S. S.	...	...	...	...	27	8	4		
6662	Mathews, J. D.	...	...	...	...	3	2	6		
6663	Meeson, F. R.	...	...	...	...	2	12	6		
6664	Notley, R. P.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6		
6665	Oliver, H.	...	...	...	...	2	2	6		
6666	Peebles, A.	...	...	...	...	2	5	—		
6667	Plumbe, R.	...	...	...	...	2	7	6		
6668	Porter, F. W.	...	...	...	...	2	17	6		
6669	Stenning, A. R.	...	...	...	...	4	2	6		
6670	Tabberer, B.	...	...	...	...	2	5	—		
6671	Turner, J. D.	...	...	...	...	2	10	—		
6672	Wallen, F.	...	...	...	...	3	5	—		
6673	Woodthorpe, E.	...	...	...	...	10	7	6		
6674	Woodward, J. A. J.	...	...	...	...	3	7	6		
									128	13 4
PETT, W.—(1383)—										
6675	Repairs at gas-meter testing stations, July, 1885	...	...	...	...	15	—	2		
TENNANT, C., SONS, AND CO.—(1695)—										
6676	Manganate of soda for deodorising purposes, May, 1886	...	...	...	...	4,069	10	10		
SADLER AND Co., Limited—(1694)—										
6677	Sulphuric acid for deodorising purposes, May, 1886	...	...	...	...	148	15	10		
HOW, J., AND Co.—(1451)—										
6678	Chemicals for sewage experiments, quarter to 31st March, 1886					29	16	6		
	Carried forward	...	...	...	...	£5,504	2	2	...	...

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	5,504	2	2	...		
TOWNSON AND MERCER—(1450)—											
6679	Chemicals, quarter to 31st March, 1886—										
	Chemical department	...	...	...	...	£24	2	1			
	Deodorising	...	...	...	...	20	6	6			
	Gas testing	...	...	...	...	15	8	—			
									59	16	7
GREEN, J.—(1460)—											
6680	Oils, colours, soap &c., for gas-meter testing-houses, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...				4	—	7
RADFORD, D., AND Co.—(1385 and 1543)—											
6681	Coals for gas-meter testing-houses—										
	March, 1886	...	...	...	...	£9	12	—			
	April, 1886	...	...	...	...	6	15	6			
									16	7	6
PFEIL AND Co.—(1570 and 1679)—											
6682	Ironmongery, tools &c., quarter to 31st March, 1886—										
	Pumping-stations	...	...	...	...	£196	16	8			
	Deodorising	...	...	...	...	22	19	10			
	Albert embankment	...	...	...	...	3	17	4			
									£223	13	10
	Chemical department	...	...	...	...	1	10	6			
									225	4	4
BANK OF ENGLAND—(1677 and 1781)—											
6683	Half-year's interest on balance of Loan of £46,000, due 23rd June, 1886 (less tax)	...	...	...	...				333	10	—
6684	Half-year's interest on balance of Loan of £100,000, due 1st July, 1886 (less tax)	...	...	...	...				797	10	—
OFFICERS' RETIRING ALLOWANCES &c.—(1681 and 1680)—											
	Quarter to 24th June, 1886—										
6685	Benson, W.	...	...	...	...	22	10	—			
6686	Aris, E.	...	...	...	...	4	—	—			
6687	Cooper, E.	...	...	...	...	100	—	—			
6688	Gibson, T.	...	...	...	...	46	13	4			
6689	Greensill, F.	...	...	...	...	13	13	—			
6690	Holland, T.	...	...	...	...	16	17	6			
6691	Lovegrove, J.	...	...	...	...	18	4	2			
6692	Napier, H. W.	...	...	...	...	13	15	—			
6693	Rumble, R. A.	...	...	...	...	33	15	—			
4699	Skipper, G.	...	...	...	...	12	—	—			
									281	8	—
	Month to 25th June, 1886—										
6695	Fernley, G.	...	...	...	...	3	15	6			
6696	Kennedy, T.	...	...	...	...	8	17	9			
6697	Welsh, R.	...	...	...	...	4	3	4			
6698	Whitworth, E.	...	...	...	...	5	—	—			
									21	16	7
SOUTHWARK AND VAUXHALL WATER Co.—											
6699	On account of bill for supplying and fixing hydrants	...	...	...	...	2,500	—	—			
									9,743	15	9
FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.											
ROSSER AND RUSSELL—(1444)—											
2732	Archimedian ventilator for Holborn Station, and lavatory apparatus at Tottenham-court-road Station, January, 1886	...	...	...	...				5	1	9
RETIRING ALLOWANCES AND PENSIONS to late officers and men											
	—(1683 & 1682)—										
	Quarter to 24th June, 1886—										
2733	Barker, J. E.	...	...	...	...	£22	17	2			
2734	Barton, J.	...	...	...	...	26	2	2			
2735	Brewer, E. W.	...	...	...	...	8	—	4			
2736	Bridge, J.	...	...	...	...	27	3	10			
	Carried forward					£84	3	6	5	1	9
									9,743	15	9

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...						5	1	9	9,743	15	9
RETIRING ALLOWANCES AND PENSIONS &c.—(continued)						£84	3	6			
2737	Bridgman, J.	...	...	...	...	9	15	—			
2738	Brown, W. C.	...	...	...	...	14	16	10			
2739	Brundell, W.	...	...	...	...	21	4	8			
2740	Bull, G.	...	...	...	...	19	10	—			
2741	Byfield, W.	...	...	...	...	17	18	7			
2742	Clarke, W. F.	...	...	...	...	9	15	—			
2743	Cooper, G.	...	...	...	...	5	—	—			
2744	Flinn, W.	...	...	...	...	27	3	10			
2745	Gerrard, G.	...	...	...	...	27	3	10			
2746	Green, C.	...	...	...	...	13	16	3			
2747	Helps, S.	...	...	...	...	13	16	3			
2748	Holloway, W.	...	...	...	...	7	10	—			
2749	Holmden, A.	...	...	...	...	33	8	3			
2750	Johnson, A.	...	...	...	...	24	9	8			
2751	Mason, J.	...	...	...	...	13	13	—			
2752	Morris, G.	...	...	...	...	10	—	—			
2753	McNutt, F. W.	...	...	...	...	13	—	—			
2754	Nisbett, H.	...	...	...	...	13	—	—			
2755	Percival, R.	...	...	...	...	27	3	10			
2756	Piggott, W.	...	...	...	...	27	3	10			
2757	Robbins, G.	...	...	...	...	24	9	8			
2758	Sherred, A.	...	...	...	...	6	10	—			
2759	Smart, W. T.	...	...	...	...	36	8	—			
2760	Steer, R.	...	...	...	...	11	11	10			
2761	Taylor, W. H.	...	...	...	...	9	15	—			
2762	Trimming, D. A.	...	...	...	...	19	11	1			
2763	Ward, J. R.	...	...	...	...	13	16	3			
2764	Wood, S. J.	...	...	...	...	14	16	10			
2765	Langhelt, C. (from 22nd May, 1886...	...	...	...	...	9	17	2			
Month ending 25th June, 1886—									580	8	2
2766	Gatehouse, R. H.	...	...	...	...	16	10	—			
									601	19	11

BRIDGES MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

MOWLEM, J. & Co.—(1566)—											
128	Cleaning and maintaining bridges, area A, quarter to 31st March, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	408	9	10
COLSON, W. & Co.—(1487)—											
129	Water boots for men employed at Waterloo and Hammersmith bridges, November and December, 1885	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	13	—
PENSIONS to toll collectors of bridges—Half-year to 26th June, 1886—(1693)—											
130	Chasemore, A.	...	...	...	...	£52	10	9			
131	Green, R.	...	...	...	...	13	17	9			
132	Glasson, G.	...	...	...	...	66	2	2			
133	Hester, G.	...	...	...	...	17	11	—			
134	Piercy, M.	...	...	...	...	19	16	7			
									169	18	3
									581	1	1

BRIDGES (ACT OF 1881).

WADDELL, J.—(1697)											
69	Further on account of amount of Contract and extras for erection of Putney-bridge, No. 597	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,000	—	—

BRIDGES (ACT OF 1883).

DIXON, APPLEBY AND THORNE—(1698)—											
15	Further on account of amount of contract and extras for alterations at Hammersmith Bridge (No. 716)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	991	3	—
AIRY, W.—(1624)—											
16	Services and travelling expenses &c., in inspecting ironwork for Hammersmith Bridge, April, 1886	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	1	9
									1,001	4	9
Carried forward									£12,928	1	6

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				12,928	1	6

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

MOSEY, R.—(1685)—

1598	Return of amount deposited on execution of tenancy agreement in respect of the Baptist Chapel, Moor-street, Soho	4	-	-
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EAST LONDON WATERWORKS Co., per W. COLE—(1692)—

1599	Water for premises occupied by tenants of the Board (Green-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement), two quarters to Midsummer, 1886	3	14	3
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BANK OF ENGLAND—(1782)—

1600	One quarter's dividend on £3½ per cent. Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, due 5th July, 1886	148,612	17	-
				148,620 11 3

SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.

MILNE, SONS AND MACFIE—(1613 and 1612)—

1992 Gas fittings and materials for repairs, quarter to 31st March, 1886—

General Working Account—

Victoria-embankment	£3	14	3
Offices, Spring-gardens	8	12	2
			12 6 5

Fire Brigade Working Account—

Stations &c.	32	10	5
			44 16 10

CHELSEA WATERWORKS Co.—(1691)—

1993 Water for premises occupied by the Board—

<i>General Working Account</i>	-	15	-
<i>Bridges Maintenance Account</i>	10	-	-
			10 15 -

MOWLEM, J. AND Co.—(1565)—

1994 Bill for general jobbing works, area A, quarter to 31st March, 1886—

<i>General Working Account</i>	2,853	15	5
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	563	1	6
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	7	4	-
			3,424 - 11

STREET, BROS.—(1690)—

1995 Advertisements, April, 1886—

<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	15	16	-
<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	5	14	-
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	12	16	-
			34 6 -

RUSSELL, W.—(1632)—

1996 Commission on weekly rents collected by him, May, 1886—

<i>Bridges Maintenance Account</i>	1	-	8
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	-	4	4
<i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund</i>	-	7	10
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	7	6	3
			8 19 1

PHILLIPS, J. AND J.—(1687)—

1997 Fair copying, stamps &c., March, 1886—

<i>General Working Account</i>	115	13	7
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	-	15	8
<i>Bridges (Acts of 1881)</i>	12	1	2
<i>Woolwich Ferry</i>	1	2	5
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	5	6	10
<i>Highbury-fields</i>	1	9	-
<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	23	8	3
<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	108	4	10
<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	16	10	6
<i>Poplar Improvement</i>	6	6	6
<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	19	6	4
<i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund</i>	33	5	2
			343 10 3

Carried forward	£165,415	-	10
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					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...			165,415	-	10
BANK OF ENGLAND—(1678)—										
1998	<i>General Working Account—</i>									
	Half-year's interest on balance of loan of £100,000, due 30th									
	June, 1886 (less tax)	...	...	...	...	797	10	-		
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund—</i>									
	Twentieth instalment in repayment	...	...	...	3,333	6	8		4,130	16 8
										£169,545 17 6
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—(1701 & 1702)—										
	Repayment of advances—									
1999	Weekly wages—Two weeks to 2nd June, 1886—									
	<i>General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	£1,659	13	11			
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	4	2	6			
	<i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account</i>	...	...	...	20	6	6			
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	...	...	18	6	-			
	<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers</i>	...	...	...	87	18	-			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	18	6	-			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	...	2	10	-			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1885)</i>	...	...	...	2	2	-			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	...	9	12	-			
	<i>Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	29	7	-			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1877)</i>	...	...	...	21	-	-			
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	...	36	6	-			
	<i>Woolwich Ferry</i>	...	...	...	30	9	-			
	<i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund</i>	...	...	...	23	17	-			
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	...	...	47	4	-			
								2,010	19	11
	Firemen's Wages—Two weeks to 5th June, 1886—									
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	...	...	1,991	11	11			
	Weekly pensions, to 29th May, 1886—									
	<i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	..	...	122	8	9		4,125	- 7
2000	Petty disbursements, 17th to 29th May, 1886—									
	<i>a General Working Account</i>	..	...	...	£44	5	9			
	<i>b Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	£9	14 6						
	<i>Fire Brigade Capital Account</i>	...	-	9 10						
								10	4	4
	<i>c Bridges Maintenance Account</i>	...	...	...	-	17	9			
	<i>d Thames Floods Prevention</i>	...	...	...	-	19	-			
								56	6	10
	<i>Hampstead Improvements—</i>									
	<i>e One year's property tax on No. 1, Church-row, to</i>									
	5th April, 1886	...	...	...	1	1	4			
	<i>f Four years' quit rent of land in Spaniards' road to</i>									
	Lady-day, 1886	...	...	...	-	3	4			
	<i>g One quarter's rent of No. 1, Yorkshire Grey-yard</i>									
	to Lady-day, 1886, less tax and water rate	...			1	7	4			
	<i>Firemen's Savings Fund—</i>									
	<i>h Amount withdrawn</i>	...	...	...	4	14	9			
	Compensations to tenants on removal—									
	<i>i Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	...	£2	-	-				
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)</i>	...	...	15	-	-				
	<i>Hampstead Improvements</i>	...	...	8	10	-				
	<i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund</i>	...	4	-	-					
								29	10	-
	Postage, 17th to 29th May, 1886—									
	<i>j General Working Account</i>	...	...	...	43	-				
								136	3	7
	Carried forward	...	...	...	£136	3	7	173,670	18	1

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	136	3	7	173,670	18	1
TRANSFERS TO WAGES &c., ACCOUNT—(continued)	...	...	...						
<i>Fire Brigade Working Account—</i>									
<i>k</i> Rent of lodgings for firemen, May, 1886	...	152	10	-					
<i>l</i> Gratuity to fireman, J. D. Freeman, as per Order of Board	...	5	-	-					
<i>m</i> Gratuity to widow of fireman Bridges, as per Order of Board	...	10	-	-					
							167	10	-
Amounts to be paid through the account—									
Bills for sums under £2—									
<i>n</i> <i>General Working Account—</i>									
Cetti, E., instrument for testing gas	...	£-	7	-					
Jewett, G., Rickers' poles, for tree supports	...	1	15	-					
District Surveyors' fees, <i>re</i> Dangerous Structures	...	4	15	-					
							6	17	-
<i>o</i> <i>Fire Brigade Working Account—</i>									
Steel and Jones, Directories	...	1	16	6					
<i>p</i> <i>Bridges (Maintenance) Account—</i>									
Water for Toll-house, Deptford-bridge	...	-	10	6					
Rates and taxes for premises occupied or taken by the Board—									
<i>q</i> <i>General Working Account</i>	...	423	2	2					
<i>r</i> <i>Fire Brigade Working Account</i>	...	71	-	9					
<i>s</i> <i>Bridges Maintenance Account</i>	...	3	9	5					
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)</i>	...	23	15	8					
<i>u</i> <i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	3	17	4					
<i>v</i> <i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund</i>	...	-	8	-					
<i>w</i> <i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	64	13	8					
<i>x</i> <i>Streets (Act of 1877)</i>	...	£257	9	-					
<i>Consolidated Loans Fund</i>	...	422	7	11					
							679	16	11
							1,279	7	11
									1,583 1 6
									£175,253 19 7

Examined,
(signed) T. G. FARDELL,
HENRY HARBEN,
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EDWD. RIDER COOK,
CHAS. MOSSOP.

Certified,
(signed) A. GUNN,
Accountant.

The Statement of Officers' Salaries, submitted with the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £175,253 19s. 7d., be paid.

Cheques were thereupon signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Fees specified in the Three summaries of Accounts now presented to the Board, marked A to D inclusive, and signed by their Clerk, be paid to the respective District Surveyors mentioned in the following Abstract, for services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying, by direction of the Board, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and pursuant to the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869, of Structures reported to be in a dangerous state, and certifying opinions thereon; and also for special services performed by them in cases in which special services have been required.

No.	District Surveyor.	No. of Cases.	Payable by Owners.	No. of Cases.	Not payable by Owners.	Total.
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Ashbridge, A. ...	1	- 12 6	...	...	- 12 6
2	Carritt, E. ...	2	2 - -	...	...	2 - -
3	Conder, A. ...	4	4 5 -	...	...	4 5 -
4	Fletcher, B. ...	6	4 12 6	...	...	4 12 6
5	Fowler, C. ...	2	1 10 -	2	- 15 -	2 5 -
6	Grose, V. J. ...	4	3 10 -	...	...	3 10 -
7	Gundry, H. ...	3	2 7 6	...	...	2 7 6
8	Hammon, H. J. ...	3	6 15 -	...	...	6 15 -
9	Hayward, C. F. ...	11	17 7 6	...	...	17 7 6
10	Jennings, J. ...	2	1 12 6	1	- 7 6	2 - -
11	Lansdown, G. ...	6	6 5 -	...	...	6 5 -
12	Legg, H. S. ...	2	2 12 6	...	...	2 12 6
13	McDonell, G. ...	4	3 17 6	...	...	3 17 6
14	Markham, S. S. ...	30	27 8 4	...	...	27 8 4
15	Matthews, J. D. ...	4	3 2 6	...	...	3 2 6
16	Meeson, F. R. ...	1	1 2 6	1	1 10 -	2 12 6
17	Notley, R. P. ...	1	2 2 6	...	...	2 2 6
18	Oliver, H. ...	1	1 7 6	1	- 15 -	2 2 6
19	Parsons, H. ...	2	1 17 6	...	...	1 17 6
20	Peebles, A. ...	1	1 10 -	1	- 15 -	2 5 -
21	Plumbe, R. ...	1	1 2 6	2	1 5 -	2 7 6
22	Porter, F. W. ...	2	1 15 -	2	1 2 6	2 17 6
23	Stenning, A. R. ...	3	4 2 6	...	...	4 2 6
24	Street, E. ...	1	- 12 6	2	- 15 -	1 7 6
25	Taberer, B. ...	2	2 5 -	...	...	2 5 -
26	Turner, J. G. ...	2	1 17 6	1	- 12 6	2 10 -
27	Walker, R. ...	1	- 17 6	...	...	- 17 6
28	Wallen, T. ...	3	3 5 -	...	...	3 5 -
29	Woodthorpe, E. ...	10	10 7 6	...	...	10 7 6
30	Woodward, J. A. J. ...	4	3 7 6	...	...	3 7 6
		119	125 10 10	13	7 17 6	133 8 4

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the undermentioned expenses, incident to shoring and hoarding Dangerous Structures, under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, be charged to the Owners of the respective properties, together with other expenses affecting the same, and be recovered according to law.

Case No.	Structure.	Amount.
		£ s. d.
34,234	14, Linwood-place, Newington ...	- 11 1
34,381	83, Rotherhithe-street, Rotherhithe ...	5 - 8
34,246	139, High-street, St. Pancras ...	8 7 3
34,247	141, Do. do. ...	- 10 1
34,733	67, Brushfield-street, Spitalfields ...	3 4 8
35,100	184 and 185, Drury-lane, St. Giles ...	8 8 9
35,159	7, Upper-park-road, Hampstead ...	- 13 1
35,173	11, Burwood-mews, Paddington ...	1 11 1
35,246	15, Saunders-street, Lambeth ...	1 2 2
35,361	22, Francis-street, Woolwich ...	2 - 3
		£31 9 1

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Statement, now submitted, showing the Salaries payable to the Officers of the Board on the 25th instant, amounting to the sum of £9,312 1s. 5d., be approved, and that the Treasurer of the Board, the London and Westminster Bank (Limited), be authorised to pay the several sums specified in such Statement, to the persons entitled to receive the same.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to the Board hereafter giving their written consent under their Seal to the borrowing, and subject to all proper consents and evidence being furnished to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Vestry of St. Luke, Chelsea, for permission to borrow, and also for the Loan of a sum of £3,000, to defray the cost of wood-paving works, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July, and the 31st October in each year, and the principal being re-paid by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, within a period of Six years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan; and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Guardians of the Poor of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union, for a Loan of a sum of £3,500 to defray the cost of the erection of a Dispensary and Relief Station, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, calculated quarterly, and with the principal being re-paid by such equal half-yearly payments, as reckoning principal and interest together will re-pay the sum borrowed within a period of Thirty years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That, subject to all necessary or proper consents being obtained thereto, to the satisfaction of the Solicitor, the application of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, for a Loan of a sum of £10,785 towards defraying the cost of drainage works at the Northern Hospital, and works for softening, filtering, and purifying the water supply at the Darenth Asylum, and works at West Wharf, Fulham, be granted, on condition that the Loan be taken up without delay, interest being charged thereon at the rate of £3 10s. per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st January, the 30th April, the 31st July and the 31st October in each year, and the principal by equal annual instalments on each 30th April, as to £7,827 within a period of Thirty years, and as to £2,958 within a period of Ten years; that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary measures for completing the Loan, and that the amount be advanced out of the General Capital Account.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That application be made to the Treasury for their approval of the sum of £10,853 7s. 3d. being transferred from the General Capital Account to the Dividend Account of the Consolidated Loans Fund, in respect of unearned Dividend, paid upon the Stock created by the Loan of 1886, as provided by the 17th Section of the Board's Money Act, 1885.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That application be made to the Treasury, for approval of the appropriation of the net produce, amounting to £1,234,293 11s. 3d., in respect of the issue of £1,250,000 Three per Cent. Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Report by the Solicitor as to the power of the Board to sell the materials of premises condemned as Dangerous Structures be referred to the Building Act Committee for consideration, with a request that they will inform the Finance Committee what course they have thought it desirable to adopt in reference thereto with a view to facilitate the recovery of expenses incurred by the Board in proceedings with respect to Dangerous Structures.

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That, inasmuch as the Board have decided not to proceed further with the Loan, the undermentioned Cheques, drawn in respect thereof, be now cancelled—

General Capital Account.

No. 6350.	1886.	26th March.	Board of Works for Greenwich					
District	...	...	...	...	...	...	£15,000	- -

General Working Account.

No. 6351.	1886.	26th March.	J. and J. Phillips, Stamp-duty				18	15	-
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And that the following further Cheques be also cancelled—

Bridges Maintenance Account.

No. 118.	1886.	14th May.	Mr. J. Irwin	...	...	...	9	6	10
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Dwelling House Improvement Fund.

No. 5814.	1886.	24th May.	R. C. Driver...	...	...	...	16	3	-
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And the said Cheques were cancelled accordingly.

5. It was moved, seconded, and resolved—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **11th** day of **June**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.	WILLIAM JAMES WETEN-HALL, Esq.	EDWIN LAWRENCE, Esq.
JOHN JONES, Esq.	WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.
THOMAS FREDERICK RIDER, Esq.	CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	ROBERT FURNISS, Esq.
GEORGE JAMES, Esq.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.
GEORGE HILL, Esq.	THOMAS GEORGE FARDELL, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.
WILLIAM ALEXANDER LINDSAY, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBBINS SELWAY, Esq.	COLONEL MUNRO.
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., ENG.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WILLIAMS, Esq.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.
ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.
	CAPTAIN WENBORN.	ALFRED POCOCK, Esq.
		GEORGE BROWN, Esq.
		THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.

1. It was moved, seconded, and resolved—That

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board, be requested to take the Chair; and he took the Chair accordingly.

2. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

TO THE CLERK OF THE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS.

Spring-gardens, 8th June, 1886.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on Friday next, the 11th day of June, 1886, at a quarter before One o'clock, p.m. for the transaction of the following business, viz.—

TO CONFIRM THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD, OF THE 4TH JUNE, 1886, VIZ.—

That the Tender of Messrs. J. Williams, Son and Wallington, for the erection and completion of the new Battersea Bridge, for the sum of £143,000, be accepted, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary Contract, and to get the same executed by the Contractors, and that the Seal of the Board be affixed to such Contract when the same shall have been so executed by the Contractors.

(Signed) J. MCGAREL-HOGG.

3. It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the following Resolution of the Board, of the 4th June, 1886, viz.—“ That the Tender of Messrs. J. Williams, “ Son and Wallington, for the erection and completion of the new Battersea Bridge, “ for the sum of £143,000, be accepted, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to “ prepare the necessary Contract, and to get the same executed by the Contractors ; and “ that the Seal of the Board be affixed to such Contract, when the same shall have been “ so executed by the Contractors ”—be and the same is hereby confirmed.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by Adjournment at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **11th** day of **June**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

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GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, Esq.	ANDREW MIDDLEMAS, Esq.	JOHN REDDISH, Esq.
JOHN TOLHURST, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.
THOMAS FRANCIS RIDER, Esq.	HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.
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WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.	WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.
GEORGE HILL, Esq.	WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	SAMUEL PRICE, Esq.
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	WILLIAM HENRY HEWITT, Esq.	ALFRED POCOCK, Esq.
		GEORGE BROWN, Esq.
		THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.

1. Mr. Selway, on behalf of Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 7th June, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges Maintenance Account.</i>				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re</i> “Rose and Crown” Public-house (Putney)—(1633)—									
Unexpired term of Licenses—									
127	Mrs. R. Breach	...	...	...	...		10	2	7
<i>Main Drainage and Main Sewers.</i>									
<i>Re</i> Innes and Tozer (Beverley-brook)—(1669)—									
Taxed Costs of Defendants in action—									
1288	Messrs. Morley and Shirreff	...	...	...	...		45	3	4
Carried forward							£55	5	11

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...			55	5	11
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>								
<i>Re France's Trustees—(Charing-cross)—(1634)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Freehold of No. 38, High-street, St. Giles'—							
8815	Bank of England	...	...	...	£2,565	-	-	
	Stamp-duty on Conveyance—							
8816	Messrs. J. and J. Phillips	...	...	...	13	-	-	
<i>Re Westmoreland—(Gray's-inn-road)—(1635)—</i>								
	Costs of Title and Conveyance—							
8817	Messrs. Trollope and Winckworth	...	...		33	14	-	
<i>Re Lilley (Charing-cross)—(1636)—</i>								
	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—							
8818	Mr. C. H. Hodgson	...	...	...	24	16	7	
<i>Re France's Trustees (Charing-cross)—(1637)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Freehold of No. 37, Crown-street and No. 16, Denmark-street, St. Giles'—							
8819	Bank of England	...	...	...	2,635	-	-	
	Surveyors' Fees, as per Order of Committee—							
8820	Messrs. F. France and Sons...	...	...	...	28	7	-	
	Solicitor's preliminary Costs—							
8821	Mr. H. M. Dalston...	...	...	...	12	12	-	
	Stamp-duty on Conveyance—							
8822	Messrs. J. and J. Phillips	...	...	...	13	5	-	
<i>Re Bridge-house Estates (Southwark-bridge-road)—</i>								
	(1638)—							
	Stamp-duty on Conveyance—							
8823	Messrs. J. and J. Phillips	...	...	...	52	-	-	
								5,377 14 7
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re Appleyard (Upper-street, Islington)—(1615)—</i>								
	Amount of Mr. Edward Ryde's valuation under the 85th Section of the Lands Clauses Consolida- tion Act, 1845—							
1080	The Bank of England	...	...	...	£6,200	-	-	
<i>Re Stainton and others (Walworth-road)—(1616)—</i>								
	Amount of Mr. Edward Ryde's valuation under the 85th Section of the Lands Clauses Consolida- tion Act, 1845—							
1081	The Bank of England	...	...	...	2,550	-	-	
<i>Re The Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England (Wal- worth-road)—(1617)—</i>								
	Amount of Mr. Edward Ryde's valuation under the 85th Section of the Lands Clauses Consolida- tion Act, 1845—							
1082	The Bank of England	...	...	...	1,800	-	-	
	Carried forward	...			£10,550	-	-	5,433 - 6

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	10,550	-	-	5,433	-	6
<i>Re</i> Maples (Walworth-road)—(1618)—								
	Amount of Mr. Edward Ryde's valuation under the							
	85th Section of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845—							
1083	The Bank of England	...	100	-	-			
<i>Re</i> Beer (Bermondsey)—(1639)—								
	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—							
1085	Messrs. Farlow and Jackson...	...	15	5	-			
<i>Re</i> Kent (South Lambeth)—(1640)—								
	Taxed Costs of action against the Board—							
1086	Messrs. Nash, Field and Withers	...	69	13	-			
<i>Re</i> Price and Grimsdell (Upper-street, Islington)—(1641)—								
	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—							
1087	Messrs. Routh, Stacey and Castle	...	18	6	8			
<i>Re</i> Cornwell (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1642)—								
	Proportion of tenant's Rent of No. 49, Green-street,							
	from Christmas, 1885, to 1st June, 1886 (less Tax)—							
1088	Mr. R. Bradshaw	...	10	19	7			
<i>Re</i> Glendinning (Hammersmith)—(1643)—								
	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in Nos. 206							
	and 208, Hammersmith-road—							
1089	Mr. John Glendinning	...	£100	-	-			
	Trade compensation—							
1090	Mr. John Glendinning	...	447	1	-			
1091	Ditto	...	52	19	-			
						600	-	-
	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract—							
1092	Messrs. Fuller and Fuller	...	14	14	-			
<i>Re</i> New Westminster Brewery Company (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1644)—								
	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 37,							
	Green-street—							
1093	New Westminster Brewery Company, Limited		600	-	-			
	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract—							
1094	Mr. H. W. Budd	...	14	14	-			
<i>Re</i> Harris (Bermondsey)—(1645)—								
	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—							
1095	Mr. H. A. Bryden	...	5	1	8			
<i>Re</i> Freitag (Tower-hill)—(1646)—								
	Costs of Title and Conveyance—							
1096	Mr. J. E. Coxwell	...	3	18	4			
<i>Re</i> Muckart (Tower-hill)—(1647)—								
	Compensation for yearly tenancy in portion of No. 4,							
	Postern-row—							
1097	Messrs. Low and Muckart	...	280	-	-			
	Surveyors' Fee—							
1098	Messrs. C. Baines and Ball	...	9	9	-			
	Carried forward	...	£12,292	1	3	5,433	-	6

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	12,292	1	3	5,433	-	6
<i>Re Allen and others (Walworth-road)—(1648)—</i>								
	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—							
1099	Messrs. Pownall and Co.	...	39	-	8			
<i>Compensation for loss of business and removal from the following premises—</i>								
<i>No. 80, Walworth-road—(1649)—</i>								
1100	Mr. T. Wright	...	50	-	-			
<i>Nos. 5 and 7, Green-street, Bethnal-green—(1650)—</i>								
1101	Mr. R. F. King	...	20	-	-			
<i>No. 33, Star-corner, Bermondsey—(1651)—</i>								
1102	Mrs. J. Sutherland	...	15	-	-			
<i>No. 25, Star-corner, Bermondsey—(1652)—</i>								
1103	Mr. J. Boreham	...	15	-	-			
<i>No. 21, Green-street, Bethnal-green—(1653)—</i>								
1104	Mr. F. A. Phear	...	15	-	-	12,446	1	11
<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>								
<i>Re Young—(1654)—</i>								
	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—							
382	Messrs. Turner and Co.	...	11	19	9			
<i>Re Hatcly—(1655)—</i>								
	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—							
383	Mr. H. A. Bryden	...	5	3	4			
<i>Re Roberts—(1656)—</i>								
	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—							
384	Mr. E. Seymour	...	6	9	8	23	12	9
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>								
<i>Re Liddle—(1657 and 1658)—</i>								
	Steward's Fee and Costs of enrolling Conveyance on Court Rolls—							
31	Messrs. Lawford, Waterhouse and Lawford	...	5	5	-			
	Proportion of Rent of No. 261, High-street, from Christmas, 1885, and of No. 263, High-street, from Lady-day to 1st June, 1886 (less Tax)—							
32	Messrs. Digby and Liddle	...	21	14	2			
<i>Re Tremain—(1629)—</i>								
	Assistance on trade claim—							
33	Mr. J. Funge	...	10	10	-	37	9	2
<i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund.</i>								
<i>Re Graham (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1659)—</i>								
	Costs of application for Investment and payment of Fund in Court—							
5831	Messrs. Hine-Haycock, Bridgman and Parker	...	50	13	4			
<i>Re Maybury (Tench-street)—(1660)—</i>								
	Costs of Title and Conveyance—							
5832	Messrs. Waller and Sons	...	18	8	6			
	Carried forward	...	£69	1	10	17,940	4	4

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	69	1	10	17,940	4	4
<i>Re</i>	Francis (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1661)—						
	Half-year's Rent of No. 9, Butcher's-row, to Lady-day, 1886 (less Tax)—						
5833	Mr. F. Hards	12	11	4			
<i>Re</i>	Richardson (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1662)—						
	Costs of production of Deeds—						
5834	Mr. Thos. Hack	3	3	—			
					84	16	2
	<i>Consolidated Loans Fund.</i>						
<i>Re</i>	Price and Grimsdell (Upper-street, Islington)—(1663)—						
	Proportion of Rents of tenants of No. 288, Upper-street (less ground-rent), from Christmas, 1885, to 2nd June, 1886 (less Tax)—						
1596	Messrs. Routh, Stacey and Castle	22	14	1			
<i>Re</i>	Head (Bermondsey)—(1664)—						
	Proportion of Rent of tenant of No. 5, Bermondsey-new-road (less ground-rent), from 20th November, 1885 to 1st June, 1886) (less Tax)—						
1597	Messrs. West, King, Adams and Co.	£33	3	9			
					55	17	10
	<i>Sundry Accounts.</i>						
	Surveyors' Fees, and as Witness, March, 1883, to February, 1885—(1665)—						
	<i>Bridges (Act of 1881)—</i>						
	<i>Re</i> Chapman's Trustees (Putney)	21	14	—			
	<i>Streets (Act of 1877)—</i>						
	<i>Re</i> Richmond (Southwark-bridge-road)	£42	14	—			
	„ Arundel (Piccadilly)	24	10	—			
	„ Darkin (Charing-cross)	18	18	—			
					86	2	—
	<i>Streets (Act of 1883)—</i>						
	<i>Re</i> Benn (Islington)	47	12	—			
	<i>Hampstead Improvements—</i>						
	<i>Re</i> Hawksley's Trustees	£28	—	—			
	„ City of London Brewery Co.	31	10	—			
					59	10	—
1991	Messrs. Henry Haines and Son				214	18	—
					£18,295	16	4

Your Committee have also drawn Cheques as follows in lieu of Cheques cancelled, in consequence of having been in hand longer than Three months—

	<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>						
1105	Mr. J.K. Thomson—Compensation—(2692-1885)—	50	—	—			
1106	Messrs. C. Baines and Ball, Surveyors' Fees—(3271-1885)—	21	—	—			
1107	Mrs. M. Calvert—Compensation (amount increased by Committee from £25)—(1666)	40	—	—			
					111	—	—
	Carried forward	£111	—	—			

	£	s.	d.	£	d.	d.
Brought forward	...	...	...	111	-	-

Hampstead Improvements.

385 Mr. F. Markham—Compensation (amount increased by Committee from £15)—(1667)—...	25	-	-
	£136	-	-

Your Committee submit, for the information of the Board, marked Catalogues and Accounts of sales of building materials of premises in Cherry-garden-street, (Jamaica-road); Blackman-street (Southwark-bridge-road); and Crown-street and Crown-place, Denmark-street, &c. (Charing-cross), by Messrs. Horne, Son and Eversfield, on the 5th, 9th and 14th April, 1886—

Gross proceeds of sales	...	...	...	£643	4	6
Commission £7 10s. per cent.	...	...	...	48	4	9
Amount received by the Board, 25th May, 1886	...			£594	19	9

Your Committee have further to report that they have authorised the Sub-Committee, upon examination of Accounts, in the event of further Cheques being required before the Whitsun Recess, to examine the list of proposed payments, and to submit the same to the Board on the 11th instant, in order that Cheques may be drawn for the several amounts therein stated.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Home Department, referred by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 42), asking that the Secretary of State may be informed whether there is any probability of the Board being willing to enter into a negotiation with the Prison Commissioners for the purchase of the sites of Cold Bath Fields and Clerkenwell Prisons, or either of them, with a view to their appropriation to the erection of Dwellings for the Working Classes. The Board are aware that a number of sites have been reserved for working people's dwellings in connection with the Gray's-inn-road Improvement, and that others will be reserved in connection with the new street from Gray's-inn-road to St. John-street-road. Having regard to the number of persons (altogether 2,910) for whom improved dwellings may thus be provided within a very short distance of the above-mentioned Prison sites, your Committee do not deem it expedient that the Board should enter into negotiation with the Prison Commissioners for the purchase of either of the sites referred to in the Letter from the Home Office. Your Committee, under the authority given to them by the Board, have sent a reply to the Home Office, expressing that view, and giving the particulars of the various sites reserved, or to be reserved for working class dwellings, and the number of persons who would thus be accommodated.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from the Vestry of Clerkenwell, which was referred by the Board on the 23rd October last (No. 41), expressing the opinion that, in the event of the removal of the two Prisons above referred to, some portion of the ground upon which they stand should be preserved as an open space. Looking to the dense population in Clerkenwell and the neighbourhood, your Committee are of opinion that it would be a great advantage if the suggestion of the Vestry were adopted, and if a portion of the ground were preserved as an open space. They have accordingly made a suggestion to that effect in the Letter to the Home Office, referred to in the previous paragraph.

Your Committee have had before them a Letter from the Wandsworth District Board, applying for permission to form a footpath on the site of the main Heathwall Sewer, from Queen's-road to Heath-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. Your Committee, after conference with your Engineer, recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also had before them a Letter from Mr. W. W. Tyler, on behalf of Mr. T. Johnson, applying for permission to erect a building over a part of the site of the main Duffield Sewer between Nos. 2 and 4, Farncombe-street, Bermondsey. Part of the proposed building, which Mr. Tyler states will consist of a ground floor, with one storey over the same, will extend at the rear for a length of 12 feet over the Duffield Sewer, which is 5 feet in diameter, 9 inches thick, and its crown 8 feet 3 inches below the surface, all as shown upon the accompanying Plan and Section marked "B." Mr. Tyler would protect the Sewer, by arching it over as also shown by the Section. Your Committee, after consulting your Engineer, recommend—

That the Board do grant the application, upon Mr. Johnson entering into the usual Agreement, to be prepared by the Solicitor, reserving to the Board their right of access to the Sewer at any time for repair, cleansing or re-construction, and without payment of compensation in respect thereof.

Your Committee have considered the Memorial of the Poplar District Board of Works, referred by the Board on the 28th ultimo (No. 5), on the subject of the periodical recurrence of flooding in the Isle of Dogs. The District Board refer to the steps which this Board have taken to establish a Pumping Station in the locality, but they ask that, pending the institution of the permanent works, something may be done to provide temporary means of relief. Your Committee recommend—

That the Engineer be instructed to take measures for the purpose, by the hire or purchase of an engine, pumps, &c., and that the District Board be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from the Greenwich District Board, referred on the 28th ultimo (No. 43), again asking this Board to introduce into one of their Bills to be brought into Parliament a Clause to enable a portion of the Burial-ground of the Parish Church of St. Paul, Deptford, to be added to the adjoining highway of Church-street. Your Committee, having again given careful consideration to the matter, are unable to advise the Board to depart from the decision arrived at on the 9th November, 1883, declining to take the course suggested, and they recommend—

That the District Board be informed to that effect.

Your Committee beg to submit the Schedule of lands proposed to be taken compulsorily for the purposes of the Tabard-street, Newington, Artizans,' &c., Dwellings Act Improvement Scheme, and to recommend that the same be, together with an application for the appointment of a Standing Arbitrator, sealed and forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
W. J. WETENHALL,
GEO. EDWARDS,
DONALD MUNRO,
GEORGE HILL,
SAM^L. PRICE,
W^M. SHEPHERD.

The marked Catalogue and Account of sales of building materials of premises in Cherry-garden-street (Jamaica-road); Blackman-street (Southwark-bridge-road); and Crown-street and Crown-place, Denmark-street, &c. (Charing-cross), and the Schedule of lands to be taken compulsorily for the Tabard-street, Newington, Scheme, under the Artizans', &c., Dwellings Act, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report to be made this day by the Sub-Committee, appointed by the Works and General Purposes Committee to examine certain Accounts, be received by the Board, and that Cheques be drawn for the several amounts required.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the reply sent by the Committee to the Letter from the Secretary of State, with reference to the sites of Coldbath-fields and Clerkenwell Prisons, be approved.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of the Wandsworth District Board for permission to form a footpath on the site of the Main Heathwall Sewer, from Queen's-road to Heath-road, Clapham, be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. W. Tyler, on behalf of Mr. T. Johnson, for permission to erect a building over a part of the site of the Main Duffield Sewer, between Nos. 2 and 4, Farncombe-street, Bermondsey, be granted, upon condition that Mr. Johnson do enter into the usual Agreement, to be prepared by the Solicitor, reserving to the Board their right of access to the Sewer at any time for repair, cleansing, or re-construction, and without payment of compensation in respect thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial from the Poplar District Board on the subject of the periodical recurrence of floodings at the Isle of Dogs be approved, and that, pending the execution of the permanent pumping works, the Engineer be instructed to take measures for affording temporary relief to the locality, by hiring or purchasing an engine, pumps, and other necessary appliances, and that the District Board be informed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway and seconded,—That the Greenwich District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter asking this Board to introduce into some Bill to be brought into Parliament a Clause to enable a portion of the Burial-ground of the Parish Church of St. Paul, Deptford, to be added to the adjoining highway of Church-street, that the Board are unable to depart from their previous decision, declining to take the course suggested.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Andrews, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared to be lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote and carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Schedule of lands proposed to be taken compulsorily for the purposes of the Metropolis (Tabard-street, Newington) Improvement Scheme, 1885, under the Artizans and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Acts, 1875 to 1885, together with the Map annexed thereto, now submitted, be received; that the Clerk do forward such Schedule and Map to the Secretary of State for the Home Department; that a second copy thereof be deposited and kept at the Office of this Board, pursuant to the provisions of Clause 3 of the Schedule to the Act of 1875, and that an application be made to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, as the confirming authority under that Act, to appoint an Arbitrator between the Board, and the persons interested in the lands and hereditaments comprised in the said Schedule, or in the lands injuriously affected by the execution of such Scheme.

The Solicitor laid before the Board the form of application to the Home Secretary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the application to the Home Secretary, and to the Schedule and Map referred to therein, and also to a copy thereof; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

2. Mr. Fardell brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE ACCOUNTS IN CONNECTION WITH IMPROVEMENTS.

Spring-gardens, 11th June, 1886.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Works and General Purposes Committee of the 7th instant, instructing the Sub-Committee, in the event of further Cheques being required before the Whitsun Recess, to examine and submit to the Board the list of proposed payments in connection with the Board's Improvements, for which Cheques are required to be drawn before the Board adjourn for the Recess, the Sub-Committee beg to report that they have this day considered a list of payments, and having examined the Vouchers and Certificates of the various principal Officers for the same, and found the Accounts correct, they beg to present a Statement of the amounts, and to recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £5,929 16s. 6d. be paid, and that Cheques be drawn accordingly.

All which the Sub-Committee beg to submit.

(Signed)

T. G. FARDELL,
W. URQUHART,
P. W. FUNNELL,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JNO. ABBOTT,
GEORGE JAMES,
JOHN TOLHURST,
HENRY HARBEN.

The Statement referred to was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Fardell, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Cheques for the following amounts be now drawn—

<i>General Capital Account.</i>		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Abbott and Sherwood (Hackney Commons)—(1709 and 1710)—</i>							
Purchase-money and compensation for Copyhold land in Hackney-downs, as per Award of Mr. Clutton	980	-	-				
Interest thereon, from 7th August, 1884, to 12th June, 1886 (less Tax)	70	4	3				
					1,050	4	3
6700 C. J. Abbott, Esq., and Mrs. M. A. Sherwood—Costs of Title and Conveyance—							
6701 Messrs. Abbott, Jenkins, and Abbott					12	16	9
							1,063 1 -
<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).</i>							
<i>Re Garland (Battersea)—(1711)—</i>							
Costs of Title and Conveyance—							
70 Mr. J. W. Marsh					7	5	4
<i>Re Eborall (Battersea)—(1712)—</i>							
Costs of summons to determine Title of Vendor—							
71 Messrs. Mead and Sons					34	4	-
							41 9 4
Carried forward							£1,104 10 4

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...				1,104	10	4
<i>Streets (Act of 1877).</i>								
<i>Re Phillips and Woodyear (Piccadilly)—(1713)—</i>								
	Costs of application for investment of purchase-money in land—							
8824	Messrs. Hedges and Brandreth	...	154	4	2			
<i>Re Ridett (Charing-cross)—(1714)—</i>								
	Compensation for loss of business of alleged right-of-way to No. 51, High-street, Bloomsbury, over Crown-court—							
8825	Mr. A. Ridett	...	35	-	-			
<i>Re Coe and Smith (Charing-cross)—(1715)—</i>								
	Costs of repairs executed at No. 11, Denmark-street, in consequence of damage caused during demolition of adjoining premises—							
8826	Messrs. Coe and Smith	...	6	-	-			
						195	4	2
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).</i>								
<i>Re Finsbury and City of London Savings Bank (Upper-street, Islington)—(1716)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 302, Upper-street—							
1108	Bank of England	...	1,000	-	-			
	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract—							
1109	Messrs. Newbon and Harding	...	25	4	-			
<i>Re St. Thomas' Seminary (Hammersmith)—(1717)—</i>								
	Purchase-money of Freehold of part of stable-yard, entrance way, forecourt, and vacant land in King-street, in front of the Seminary—							
1110	Union Bank of London	...	2,750	-	-			
	Surveyor's Fees, as per Contract—							
1111	Mr. J. de Lacy-Fowle	...	28	7	1			
	Preliminary Costs as per Contract—							
1112	Messrs. Harting, Son and Ellis	...	15	15	-			
	Stamp-duty on Conveyance—							
1113	Messrs. J. and J. Phillips	...	13	15	-			
<i>Re Street (Bermondsey)—(1718)</i>								
	Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—							
1114	Mr. J. E. Coxwell	...	12	9	8			
<i>Re Hewitt (Walworth-road)—(1719)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 86, and yearly tenancy in No. 84, Walworth-road—							
1115	Mr. James Hewitt	...	120	-	-			
	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract—							
1116	Messrs. Farebrother, Ellis and Co.	...	6	6	-			
<i>Re Pinion (Bermondsey)—(1720)—</i>								
	Purchase-money for yearly tenancy in No. 15, Bermondsey-new-road—							
1117	Mr. William Pinion	...	360	-	-			
	Carried forward	...	£4,331	16	8	1,299	14	6

					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	4,331	16	8	1,299	14	6
	Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract—									
1118	Messrs. C. Baines and Ball	...	...	...	13	2	6			
<i>Re</i>	Marson (Walworth-road)—(1721)—									
	Purchase-money and compensation for Leasehold interest in property in Walworth-road—									
1119	Mr. Hy. Marson	...	...	...	220	—	—			
	Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract—									
1120	Messrs. Fuller, Baxter and Co.	...	...	...	8	8	—			
<i>Re</i>	Scholl (Bethnal-green) and Harris and Bartlett (Bermondsey)—(1696)—									
	Assistance on trade claims—									
1121	Mr. J. Whitehead	...	...	...	15	15	—	4,589	2	
	<i>Hampstead Improvements.</i>									
<i>Re</i>	City of London Brewery Co.—(1722)—									
	Costs of Title and Conveyance—									
386	Messrs. Western and Sons	...	...	...				40	19	10
								£5,929	16	6

And Cheques were drawn accordingly.

3. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 1st June, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd November, 1878 (No. 48), considered the following applications for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the Metropolis, viz.—

DATE.	APPLICATION.
22nd April, 1884.	Postmaster-General, for re-numbering the houses in various streets in the Metropolis.
14th October, 1885.	Inhabitants of Parsonage-walk, Newington, that the name may be changed.
14th March, 1884.	Messrs. Napoleon Price and Co., that Cumming-street North, Islington, may be re-named.
4th February, 1886.	Hackney District Board, that a certain portion of Clarence-road may be incorporated with Downs-road, and the houses re-numbered accordingly.
31st December, 1885.	Mr. E. Leeds, that the subsidiary names in Bouverie-road, Stoke Newington, may be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.
4th January, 1886.	Mr. F. Crofts, that Shepherd's-lane, Brixton, may be incorporated with Ferndale-road, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered in continuation of those in Ferndale-road.
2nd February, 1886.	Lewisham District Board, for re-numbering the houses in Maple-road, Penge.
26th February, 1886.	Lewisham District Board, that the houses in Waldegrave-road, Penge, may be re-numbered.
6th February, 1886.	Mr. T. James, that the houses in Clifton-road, Maida-vale, may be re-numbered.
4th May, 1886.	Vestry of St. Marylebone, that Milton-street may be re-named "Balcombe-street, N.W."
4th May, 1886.	Mr. G. Hussey, that Burying-ground-passage, St. Marylebone, may be re-named.

Your Committee have received Reports from your Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned applications; they have also inspected Plans, prepared under his

direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the naming and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the subsidiary names in Hindman's-road, East Dulwich, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That Winchester-street and Upper Winchester-street, Pentonville, be incorporated under the name "Winchester-street, N.," and the houses re-numbered.

That no alteration be made in the name of Parsonage-walk, Newington, and that the Petitioners on the subject be so informed.

That no alteration be made in the name of Cumming-street North, Islington, and that Messrs. Napoleon Price and Co. be so informed.

That the houses now numbered 183 and 185, and 182, 184, 186 and 188, Clarence-road, Hackney, be in future numbered and described as 111 and 113, and 26, 28, 30 and 32 Downs-road, E.

That the subsidiary names in Bouverie-road, Stoke Newington, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Shepherd's-lane, Brixton, be re-numbered in continuation of those in Ferndale-road, that the name "Shepherd's-lane" be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be named "Ferndale-road, S.W."

That the subsidiary names in Maple-road, Penge, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in Waldegrave-road, Penge, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Clifton-road, Maida-vale, be re-numbered, and the name Clifton-terrace abolished.

That Milton-street, Dorset-square, be re-named "Balcombe-street, N.W."

That Burying-ground-passage, St. Marylebone, be re-named "Ashland-place, W."

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
SAML^r. PRICE,
WM^r. SHEPHERD,
DONALD MUNRO,
W. R. SELWAY,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolved, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Hindman's-road, in the Parish of Camberwell, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,712, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 135, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 124, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the names Devon-terrace, Minard's-villas, Over Strand, Leamington-villas, Albert-villas, Clarence-villas, Buxton-villas, Smith's-cottages, Lynton-terrace, Garibaldi-villas, Granville-villas, Hope-villas, Hope-cottages, Rose-cottages, Market-place, Frien-terrace, Lydia-villas, Clevedon-villas, Cambell-cottages, Peacock's-cottages, Rose-cottages, Alfred-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Hindman's-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Hindman's-road, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Camberwell, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Winchester-street, New Winchester-street and Upper Winchester-street, in the respective Parishes of Clerkenwell and St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,713, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 105, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2, and ending with 96, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names New Winchester-street, Upper Winchester-street, Winchester-terrace, and Thornhill-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Winchester-street, N.,” and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestries of Clerkenwell and Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby, and **resolved**—That no alteration be made in the name of Parsonage-walk, Newington, and that the Petitioners on the subject be so informed.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby, and **resolved**—That no alteration be made in the name of Cumming-street North, Islington, and that Messrs. Napoleon Price and Co. be so informed.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises now numbered and described as 183 and 185 and 182, 184, 186 and 188, Clarence-road, in the Parish of Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be in future numbered and described as 111 and 113 and 26, 28, 30, and 32, Downs-road, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,714, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Bouverie-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Stoke Newington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,715, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 139, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 110, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Cumberland-terrace, Cumberland-villas, Bouverie-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Bouverie-road, and the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called “Bouverie-road, N.,” and that notice of this Order be given

to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Shepherd's-lane, in the Parish of Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,716, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 171 and ending with 195, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 174 and ending with 258, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Shepherd's-lane, Bon Marché-buildings, Bythorn-terrace, Bythorn-villas, Manor-view, and any other name or names now in use in Shepherd's-lane, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Ferndale-road, S.W.," in continuation of the existing road of that name, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Maple-road, in the Hamlet of Penge, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,717, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 207, being assigned to the houses on the North-Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 186, to those on the South-Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Anerley-road; that the names Percy-villas, Heath-villas, The Lindens, Malbro'-terrace, Maple-villas, Maple-terrace, Morland-villas, Brighton-terrace, Gladstone-terrace, Hopbine-cottages, Adelaide-place, Leslie-place, Heath-terrace, Clifford-terrace, Albert-terrace, Ada-villas, Alice-villas, Alexandra-villas, Park-terrace, Park-villas, Marion-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Maple-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Maple-road, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Waldegrave-road, in the Hamlet of Penge, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,718, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 45, being assigned to the houses on the South-Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 46, to those on the North-Western side; that

such numbers do commence at the end nearest Anerley-road; that the names Nelson-villas, Napier-villas, Wellington-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Waldegrave-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Waldegrave-road, S.E.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Clifton-road, in the Parish of Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 3,719, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 35, being assigned to the houses on the Southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 34, to those on the Northern side; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the name Clifton-terrace, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called "Clifton-road, W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Milton-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Balcombe-street, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin, seconded by Mr. Ingoldby—That Burying-ground-passage, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named "Ashland-place, N.W.," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

4. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Special Purposes and Sanitary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSES AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 8th June, 1886.

Your Committee submit an application from Mr. H. J. Cadwell, for assent to the establishment of a Factory for Explosive (toy fireworks), at South-fields, Wandsworth, in accordance with the terms of a draft License from the Home Secretary, and they recommend that Friday, the 16th July next, at One o'clock p.m., be fixed for hearing the application, and that the applicant be requested to issue the necessary Notices of the hearing.

Your Committee submit, for the information of the Board, a copy of the Annual Report of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives for 1885.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration three applications for registration under the Infant Life Protection Act. The necessary Certificates of character have been submitted by the applicants, and the accommodation provided is in each case sufficient for the number of Infants proposed to be kept. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the applications from the following persons for registration under the Infant Life Protection Act, for the keeping of Infants at the premises named, be granted, and that the Board do make a Bye-law in each case, fixing the number of Infants allowed to be kept as follows—

Mrs. Emily Herring, No. 74, Wells-street, Oxford-street, St. Marylebone, 2 Infants.

Mrs. Ellen Trapp, No. 7A, Admiral-place, Edinburgh-road, Kensington, 3 Infants.

Mrs. Caroline Smith, No. 10, Portnall-road, Harrow-road, Paddington, 2 Infants.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration four applications for the renewal of Petroleum Licenses. The conditions of storage in each case continue satisfactory, and your Committee recommend—

That Licenses be granted to the following persons, for a period of twelve months from the 11th instant, to keep Petroleum in the quantities, and at the premises named in accordance with the terms of the draft Licenses submitted

Mr. Henry Barnes, No. 38, Long-acre, 200 gallons.

Messrs. Thomas Eastman and Son, East-row, Kensal New-town, 1,000 gallons.

Messrs. A. Mann and Co., No. 26, Suffolk-grove, St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, 400 gallons.

Messrs. Gavin, Thomson and Co., No. 38, Croft-street, Deptford, 250 gallons.

Mr. Achille Serre, White Post-lane, Hackney-wick, 500 gallons.

Your Committee also submit a list of 99 applications for Licenses to keep Petroleum in small quantities, and they recommend—

That in 65 cases Licenses be granted to keep quantities not exceeding 10 gallons at the places named, and in accordance with conditions of License No. 91, that in 10 cases Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum in stores situated and constructed in accordance with License No. 90; and that in 24 cases special Licenses be granted to keep Petroleum, in the manner described in such Licenses.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFED POCOCK,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
W. J. WETENHALL,
FRED^K. INGOLDBY.

The list of applications for Licenses to store Petroleum, and the Report of Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives, submitted by the Committee, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the application of Mr. H. J. Cadwell, for assent to the establishment of a Factory for Explosive (toy fireworks), at South-fields, Wandsworth, be considered by the Board on Friday, the 16th July next, at One o'clock p.m., and that the applicant be requested to issue the necessary Notices of the hearing.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the following persons and premises be registered under the Infant Life Protection Act, and that the Board do hereby make Bye-laws fixing the number of Infants allowed to be kept on such premises, as follows—

Mrs. Emily Herring, No. 74, Wells-street, Oxford-street, St. Marylebone.
2 Infants.

Mrs. Ellen Trapp, No. 7A, Admiral-place, Edinburgh-road, Kensington,
3 Infants.

Mrs. Caroline Smith, No. 10, Portnall-road, Harrow-road, Paddington, 2
Infants.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the following persons, for a period of Twelve months from this date, to keep Petroleum in the quantities, and at the premises named in accordance with the terms of the draft Licenses now submitted—

Mr. Henry Barnes, No. 38, Long-acre, 200 gallons.

Messrs. Thomas Eastman and Son, East-row, Kensal New-town, 1,000
gallons.

Messrs. A. Mann and Co., No. 26, Suffolk-grove, St. George-the-Martyr,
Southwark, 400 gallons.

Messrs. Gavin, Thomson and Co., No. 38, Croft-street, Deptford, 250
gallons.

Mr. Achille Serre, White Post-lane, Hackney-wick, 500 gallons.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That Licenses be granted to the Ninety-nine persons mentioned in the list now submitted, to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated in such Licenses, for a period of Twelve months from this date, subject to the conditions mentioned in the several Licenses.

The Licenses referred to in the foregoing Resolutions were laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

5. Mr. Pocock, the Chairman of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, Executive Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1878, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Spring-gardens, 8th June, 1886.

Your Committee have to report, with reference to the Bill brought into the House of Lords by the Lord President of the Privy Council, to amend the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 44), that so far as it affects contagious disease in animals, the Bill is chiefly to enlarge the powers of the Privy Council, and to give them authority to bring within its provisions (Clause 8) any kind of four-footed beasts, in addition to the animals mentioned in the Act. A new provision (Clause 4) is however introduced in reference to pleuro-pneumonia, making it compulsory before an Order is made declaring affected premises free from disease, for the Local Authority to obtain the advice of a Veterinary Inspector. Clause 5, empowers the Privy Council to direct the Local Authority in making enquiry as to an outbreak of Foot and Mouth disease, also to obtain the assistance and advice of a Veterinary Inspector. Clause 6 empowers the Privy Council in any case of disease other than Cattle Plague, to direct the slaughter of animals by Local Authorities, whether the animals are affected, suspected of disease, or have been in contact with diseased stock ; either generally or in particular instances ; and provides for the payment of compensation. This is a considerable enlargement of the existing power. Clause 7 empowers the Privy Council to authorise a Local Authority to make Regulations for any purpose specified in the Order. Clause 9 transfers to the Local Government Board the powers now exercised by the Privy Council under Section 34 of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, of making Orders for the sanitary regulation of Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops, and for protecting milk from infection or contamination. The Clause also (for the purposes of such Orders) changes the Local Authority in the Counties, which is now Quarter Sessions, to the Local Authority under the Public Health Act. No change is made in the Metropolis, beyond giving the Board additional powers of inspection, and

provision is made for continuing in force the present Dairies and Cowsheds Order, and the Regulations made thereunder by the Local Authorities.

Your Committee have further to report that proceedings have been taken against the following persons—

Samuel Taylor, of the Paragon, New Kent-road, who was fined in all £3 4s., for neglecting to give notice of a horse suffering from farcy, and for sending the animal through the public streets.

James La Neave (Senior), who was fined £10 and 2s. costs, for neglecting to properly cleanse the cattle lairs in his occupation at Roman-road, Barnsbury.

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the claims of Mr. H. Havard, in respect of three animals slaughtered in consequence of having been affected with pleuro-pneumonia, and that they have awarded sums amounting to £29 3s. 5d. as compensation for such animals. The sum of £13 8s. 3d. has been received for the carcasses, hides, &c., of such animals, leaving the net cost to the Board £15 15s. 2d. A statement of the amount awarded has been forwarded to the Finance Committee for payment.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) ALFRED POCOCK,
J. E. BRADFIELD,
W. J. WETENHALL,
FREDK. INGOLDBY.

The Report having been read,

It was moved by Mr. Pocock, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received.

6. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 11th June, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARKS.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
LAMBETH.				
Albert-square, Wilkinson-street, St. Stephen's-terrace and Al- fred-street	800 1,815	15-inch 12 "	Pipe "	Recommended as applied for.
MILE-END OLD-TOWN.				
Sidney-street, Lady Lake's-grove and Hariow-place	240 905	15-inch 12 "	Pipe "	{ Recommended, subject to the gradients of the Sewers in Lady Lake's-grove being as shown by the green figures on the Section.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the several works in the manner therein recommended.

7.¹ Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 11th June, 1886, on applications from the following Vestries and District Board, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of Applications	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recom- mended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
CHELSEA.					
1886. 3rd June	Kensal-road, in four Sec- tions.	repairing road-way	1 week each	1 week section.	Harrow, &c., Roads.

Dates of Applications	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.					
7th June	George - street, Oxford-street.	re-paving.	2 weeks	2 weeks	Duke, &c., Streets.
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS.					
" "	Agar-street.	re-paving.	2 weeks	2 weeks	Chandos, &c., Streets.
	Bedford-street, between the Strand and Chandos-street.	do.	2 "	2 "	Agar, &c., Streets.
	Drury-lane, between Russell-street and White Hart-street.	do.	3 "	3 "	Brydges, &c., Streets.
	Southampton-street.	do.	2 "	2 "	Burleigh, &c., Streets.
ST. SAVIOUR'S.					
11th "	Holland-street, between Southwark - street and Falcon-dock.	re-paving.	3 weeks	3 weeks	Sumner, &c., Streets.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestries and District Board, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th June, 1886, on Letters from Mr. W. H. O'Shea, M.P., No. 1, Albert-mansions, and Mr. G. Livingstone, Surveyor to the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, relative to flooding of houses in the line of the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer ; stating that the floodings complained of took place at No. 1, Albert-mansions on the 13th and 22nd ultimo, and on the latter day only in the cases referred to in the Letter from the Surveyor to the Vestry ; that the relief Sewer recently completed by the Board for the purpose of taking storm-waters from the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer at Piccadilly, and from the Ranelagh Sewer at Albert-gate was in operation at the time, but that from the violence of the water running through it, the flaps, which at the instance of the District Railway Company had been placed in the top part of it, near Sloane-square, had been broken, and *débris* from higher points had collected against them ; that the accident probably tended to increase the rising of the water in the Sewer behind the broken flaps, but to what extent he (the Engineer) was unable to say.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th June, 1886, on a Letter from Mrs. C. Desgratoulet, renewing her complaint of flooding of her houses, Nos. 162 and 170, Tachbrook-street, Pimlico ; stating that the houses were flooded on the 22nd ultimo, and that, upon examination, their drains were found not to be trapped ; that the drains of the three intermediate houses (also the property of Mrs. Desgratoulet) were trapped, and that the premises were, consequently, not flooded, and recommending that the complainant should be so informed, and advised to have the drains of the two houses referred to properly trapped.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that Mrs. Desgratoulet be informed accordingly.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th June, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. J. Davey, relative to the recent flooding of Grosvenor-cottages, Pimlico ; stating that the storm on the 22nd ultimo took place on a flood-tide, and at about the time of high water ; that the new relief Sewer was in action, but that the wooden flaps, placed in it at the instance of the District Railway Company, had been broken by the force of the water in the Sewer, and had collected *débris* against them from higher points, and that the accident had probably had a material effect upon the height of the flooding.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th June, 1886, on a verbal complaint made by Mr. J. S. Charles, of the flooding of Nos. 302 and 304, Vauxhall-bridge-road; stating that the flooding complained of had occurred on the 22nd and 23rd ultimo, and that upon examining the premises there were found to be two old 6-inch drains which required to be properly blocked up, and recommending that Mr. Charles should be so informed.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Mr. Charles be informed accordingly.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th June, 1886, on a Letter from Miss Cathcart, complaining of nuisance from carpet beating on the site of the Ranelagh Main Sewer, at the rear of No. 4, Eaton-terrace, Pimlico; stating that from enquiries which had been made it appeared that carpets had been beaten on the site of the Sewer by Mr. J. Rosseter, of No. 15, Sloane-terrace, and that he had been cautioned against the practice, and recommending that a formal Letter should be sent to him, and that Miss Cathcart should be informed of the course taken.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th June, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. A. Wilson, relative to the flooding of his premises, No. 13, Richmond-terrace, Shepherd's-bush; stating that the flooding complained of had been caused by a violent downpour of rain in the North-West part of London on the 22nd ultimo; that it had filled all the Sewers, both main and local, in the locality, and that where the basements of houses were specially low, as in the case of Mr. Wilson's premises—viz., 9 feet 3 inches below the surface—they had inevitably been flooded; that a tidal flap on the mouth of the drain might, in most cases, protect the premises; that there were also three other drains within a few feet of Mr. Wilson's premises which needed to be protected, and that all the four drains could be flapped for about £5; and recommending that the work should be done by the Board's General Contractors.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the work recommended therein be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 11th June, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contracts—

Crossness Pumping Station.

	ESTIMATE.
Repairing and painting six houses occupied by the Staff ...	£138 0 0
Repairs to return ends of the river wall, and re-instating and tarring the fender piles	110 0 0

Main Sewer Connections.

Forming two connections between the Limehouse, &c., Relief Sewer and Sewers at and near Stepney-green	150 0 0
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Northern Outfall Sewer.

Repairing breasts and copes of River walls at Barking Outlet, and raising the levels of the creek wall, Pudding-mill river walls, Abbey-creek wall, Millmeads river wall, City-mills river wall, and Waterworks river wall, to the standard level of 5 feet above Trinity high water mark	400 0 0
Repairing fencing, gates, &c., from Stratford-road Bridge to Manor-way, East Ham.	40 0 0
Carried forward	£838 0 0

Brought forward	...	...	...	...	£838	0	0
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Barking Reservoir.

Further shoring of arches of Reservoir under the Mills and							
Engines used in deodorising the Sewage	...	...	...	...	140	0	0
Total	...	...	...	...	£978	0	0

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th June, 1886, on a Letter from the Whitechapel District Board, complaining of the unsightly appearance of the shed recently erected by this Board for deodorising purposes, at the corner of Baker's-row and Whitechapel-road; stating that the shed had been erected for temporary purposes in connection with the deodorising of the Sewage during the hot season, and would be removed at the termination thereof; that he (the Engineer) had given instructions for the shed, and also the other sheds used for the same purpose, to be rendered as little unsightly as was practicable under the circumstances, and recommending that the District Board should be so informed.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Whitechapel District Board be informed accordingly.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th June, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. W. H. Smith, No. 37, Ferntower-road, Highbury-new-park, complaining of nuisance to himself and his neighbours from the Board's sewerage operations in the locality being carried on throughout the night; stating that a copy of the Letter had been sent to the Contractor, with a request that he would do what he could to relieve the complaints; that the shaft particularly referred to had only recently been sunk, and that he (the Contractor) must work night and day at it, as in other similar cases, in order to carry out the works without danger, and to complete them within the shortest possible period; further stating that he (the Engineer) considered that no delay should be interposed to the execution of the works, and that he did not at the present time see how the inconvenience could be mitigated.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Report be received, and that Mr. Smith be informed that the Board regret the temporary inconvenience which he and his neighbours suffer from the execution of the works in question, but that the Board are unable to take any steps at present for mitigating it.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th June, 1886, on Letters from Mr. S. Myers, No. 89, Newington-causeway, and Mr. G. Nichols, No. 79, Falcon-road, Battersea, complaining of the flooding of their respective premises; stating that the basement of Mr. Myers' premises was very deep, being about 7 feet below the surface, and only 3'30 feet above Ordnance datum; that there was a flap on the mouth of the drain of the premises, but that the rainfall on 13th May, the day to which he referred, was nearly 1½ inch, and attained its maximum at the time of high water, and that under those circumstances such low basements were exposed to flooding, which the Board could not prevent; and further stating that Mr. Nichols' house being very low, it was subject to flooding after heavy rain, and that to protect the premises against that he had placed a screw-down valve on them, but that on 22nd May, the occasion to which he referred, the valve was out of order.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded and resolved—That the Report be received.

18. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Board's (Various Powers) Bill in the House of Lords had been appointed for the 17th instant.
19. The Solicitor reported that the further consideration of the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill, by the Duke of Richmond's Committee, had been adjourned until after the

Whitsuntide Recess, and that the Vestry of Lambeth had presented a Petition for the amendment of the Bill.

20. The Solicitor reported with respect to the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Amendment (No. 1) Bill (Lord Raleigh) ; the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Amendment (No. 2) Bill (Lord Ashford) ; and the Electric Lighting Act, 1882 (No. 3) Bill (Lord Houghton), that the Select Committee presided over by Earl Camperdown had decided not to proceed further with No. 1 and No. 2 Bills, and that No. 3 Bill, a copy of which he presented as amended, had been considered in Committee of the whole House of Lords yesterday. The Solicitor also presented a copy of the Report of the Select Committee on the three Bills, together with the Minutes of proceedings of the Committee.

21. The Solicitor reported that the Lee River Purification Bill had been read a second time in the House of Lords, and referred to a Select Committee which had not yet been appointed, and that the following Petitions had been presented against the Bill—

Reuben Button.

Metropolitan Board of Works.

22. The Solicitor reported with respect to the Select Committee on Rivers pollution (River Lee) that the Committee had met again on Friday and Tuesday last, and that after hearing further evidence, a copy of which the Solicitor presented, the Committee had adjourned until this day to consider their Report.

23. The Solicitor reported that the consideration of the Compulsory Purchase of Land Compensation Bill (Mr. McLaren), in Committee of the whole House of Commons, had been fixed for the 10th instant, but that the Bill had not been reached.

24. The Solicitor reported that Mr. H. Fowler, M.P., had replied to a question in the House of Commons by Mr. Spensley with respect to the Public Parks and Works (Metropolis) Bill, and that the Bill had been subsequently withdrawn.

25. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to Petitions, on their behalf, against Bills to be promoted in Parliament during the present Session.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to any Petitions which it may become necessary to present to Parliament on behalf of the Board before their next Meeting.

26. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Norris, M.P., had asked the Chairman of the Board a question in the House of Commons relative to the provision of additional means of communication across the Thames below London Bridge, to which the Chairman had replied.

27. The Solicitor reported that Mr. C. Acland, had given notice in the House of Commons to introduce a Bill for confirming a Provisional Order under the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, with respect to the Parish of Chelsea.

28. The Solicitor reported that Mr. H. H. Fowler, had given notice in the House of Commons, for this evening, to introduce the Board's Money Bill.

29. The Solicitor reported that the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Bill (introduced by the Lord President) had passed through the House of Lords, after certain amendments had been made therein ; that it had been read a first time in the House of Commons last evening, and that the second reading had been appointed for the 16th instant, and he presented a copy of the Bill as amended.

30. The Solicitor reported that the following Bills affecting the Metropolis had received the Royal Assent—

Metropolitan Police (Stations).

East and West India Dock Co.

London Brighton and South Coast Railway.

31. The Solicitor reported that the second reading in the House of Commons of the Sanitary Registration of Buildings Bill (Dr. Farquharson) had been appointed for last evening, but that it had not been reached, and he presented a copy of the Bill.

32. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next Meeting of the Board, to appoint Arbitrators or issue Jury Warrants on behalf of the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Chairman or Deputy-Chairman of the Board, or the late Deputy-Chairman of the Board, be authorised to do the following acts, that is to say, to give directions for the appointment of Arbitrators, and to affix the Seal of the Board to any Jury Warrants, appointments of Arbitrators, offers of Compensation, Deeds, Agreements and Documents which it may be necessary, as matters of emergency, to seal before the next Meeting of the Board, and to make application to the Board of Trade to appoint an Umpire in all cases of emergency, and, in all cases where that course may be proper, to authorise the Clerk to sign the above documents, or any of them.

33. The Solicitor reported that the arrangements as to the undermentioned Loans had been duly completed, and that the Cheques had been duly handed over in exchange for the proper securities—

	AMOUNT OF LOAN.				
Hackney District Board	...	...	...	...	£10,000
Vestry of Chelsea	...	...	...	...	10,000

34. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Contract with J. C. Gardiner and R. P. Gardiner (trading as Messrs. Gardiner and Co.) for the supply of Clothing for the men employed in the Board's Parks and Open Spaces during three years from 1st June, 1886.

Contract with G. Lonergan and E. Lonergan (trading as "Lonergan Brothers") for the erection of a Fire Brigade Station in Sun-street, Woolwich.

Contract with Mr. J. Smart, for tar-paving around seats on Eel-brook-common, Parsons-green, Brook-green and at Highbury-fields.

Contract with Mr. G. J. Wale, for repairs to the Keeper's Lodge on Tooting-common.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

35. The Solicitor reported that the Chairman had, since the last Meeting of the Board, affixed the Seal to the Petition to the House of Lords against the Lee River Purification Bill.

36. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the periods for the re-payment of the Loan of £15,000 to the Greenwich District Board; and he suggested that this Board should pass an Order authorising the District Board to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same; and a Cheque for £18 15s. for Stamp-duty.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved* and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Greenwich District under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board under the first-mentioned Act within the said District, of a sum of Fifteen thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said District Board in executing at a cost of Thirteen thousand pounds certain granite paving and kerbing works in the unpaved portions of the Greenwich-road, from Wellington-grove to London-street, of London-street from Greenwich-road to Royal-hill, of Romney-road,

of Trafalgar-road, and of the Lower Woolwich-road (except in front of Christ Church and the Wesleyan Chapel) from Trafalgar-road to Marsh-lane, and in executing at a cost of Two thousand pounds certain wood-paving works in the unpaved portions of London-street from Royal-hill to Stockwell-street, of Church-street from Stockwell-street to Nelson-street, of Nelson-street and in front of Christ Church and the Wesleyan Chapel in the Lower Woolwich-road, all within the said District. And whereas the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Fifteen thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purposes aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Fifteen thousand pounds for the purposes aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid, as to Thirteen thousand pounds, by equal annual instalments, within a period of Twenty years, and as to Two thousand pounds by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £15,000 be now drawn in favour of the Greenwich District Board, and a Cheque for £18 15s. for Stamp-duty on the Mortgage-deed; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital and General Working Accounts accordingly.

37. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £950 to the Greenwich District Board, and he suggested that this Board should pass an Order authorising the District Board to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board, under the first-mentioned Act, within the said District, of a sum of Nine hundred and fifty pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, by the said District Board in purchasing the fee-simple of a piece of land near Deptford Bridge, to form part of the site of a new street from Blackheath-road to Friendly-street within the said District. And whereas the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Nine hundred and fifty pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Nine hundred and fifty pounds, for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be, within a period of Fifty-five years, from the Thirty-first January, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of

£950 be now drawn in favour of the Greenwich District Board; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

33. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £1,000 to the Vestry of Hampstead, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Saint John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry under the first-mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of One thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry in purchasing the fee-simple of a piece of land adjoining the Vestry-hall and Offices of the Vestry, and required by the Vestry for the purposes of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of One thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction, in writing, of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of One thousand pounds, for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments, of as nearly equal an amount as may be, within a period of Fifty-five years from the Thirty-first January, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £1,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of Hampstead; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

39. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £20,000 to the Vestry of Hampstead, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same, and a Cheque for £25 for Stamp-duty.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved* and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Saint John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, and of the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1883, or some or one of them have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry under the first-mentioned Act within the said Parish of a sum of Twenty thousand pounds, for the purpose of enabling the Vestry to contribute that sum towards the expenses incurred by the Metropolitan Board of Works in relation to the Hampstead Improvements authorised by the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1883. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Twenty thousand Pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore, it is *ordered* that

the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given to the borrowing by the said Vestry under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1883, of a sum of Twenty thousand Pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments within a period of Fifty-five years from the Thirty-first January One thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £20,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of Hampstead, and a Cheque for £25 for the Stamp-duty on the Mortgage-deed ; and Cheques were drawn on the General Capital and General Working Accounts accordingly.

40. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £2,800 to the Westminster District Board, and he suggested that this Board should pass an Order authorising the District Board to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Westminster District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board under the first-mentioned Act within the said District of a sum of Two thousand eight hundred Pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said District Board in executing certain wood-paving works in Caxton-street, Chapter-street, Moreton-street and Palmer-street, all within the said District. *And whereas* the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Two thousand eight hundred Pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is *ordered* that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Two thousand eight hundred Pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That a Cheque for the sum of £2,800 be now drawn in favour of the Westminster District Board ; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

41. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £2,400 to the Westminster District Board, and he suggested that this Board should pass an Order authorising the District Board to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Westminster District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of

all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board under the first-mentioned Act within the said District, of a sum of Two thousand four hundred Pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred or to be incurred by the said District Board in executing certain Asphalte paving works in Little George-street (James-street), Union-court, Romney-place, Laundry-yard, Hide-place, Delahay-street, St. Ann's-street, and Coburg-row, all within the said District. ~~And whereas~~ the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Two thousand four hundred Pounds should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is ~~ordered~~, that the sanction, in writing, of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Two thousand four hundred Pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Seven years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That a Cheque for the sum of £2,400 be now drawn in favour of the Westminster District Board; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

42. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £4,000 to the Vestry of St. James, Westminster, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded, and ~~resolved~~, and ~~ordered~~, as follows—

~~Whereas~~ the Vestry of the Parish of St. James, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first-mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of Four thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying part of the expense incurred, or to be incurred by the said Vestry in executing asphalte paving works in Arundel-street, Rupert-street, Upper Rupert-street, Archer-street, the upper part of Great Windmill-street, Smith's-yard (Great Windmill-street), Lexington-street, Great Vine-street, Regent-place, Norris-street, Market-street, Carlton-street, Cleveland-row, and Angel-court (King-street, St. James-square), and wood-paving works at the East end of Charles-street, and in Ryder-street, all within the said Parish. ~~And whereas~~ the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Four thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is ~~ordered~~ that the sanction, in writing, of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Four thousand pounds, for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by equal annual instalments, within a period of Four years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Selway, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That a Cheque for the sum of

£4,000 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of St. James, Westminster ; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

43. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had approved of the period for the re-payment of the Loan of £5,600 to the Vestry of Kensington, and he suggested that the Board should pass an Order authorising the Vestry to borrow the amount, and also draw a Cheque for the same.

It was thereupon moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved and ordered, as follows—

~~Whereas~~ the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary Abbot, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some or one of them, have applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of all the moneys or rates authorised to be raised by the said Vestry, under the first mentioned Act, within the said Parish, of a sum of Five thousand six hundred pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry in executing certain wood-paving works in the Brompton-road between Knightsbridge-green and the Fulham-road, and in Kensington-road between the Parish boundary and Russell-road, and the expense beyond estimate of executing wood-paving works in Silver-street and Church-street, all within the said Parish. ~~And whereas~~ the Metropolitan Board of Works have fully considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum of Five thousand six hundred pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purposes aforesaid, therefore it is ordered that the sanction in writing of the Metropolitan Board of Works be given, and the same is hereby given to the borrowing by the said Vestry under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, of a sum of Five thousand six hundred pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of Three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and the principal to be re-paid by annual instalments of as nearly equal an amount as may be within a period of Six years.

The Solicitor laid before the Board two copies of the foregoing Order.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That a Cheque for the sum of £5,600 be now drawn in favour of the Vestry of Kensington ; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Capital Account accordingly.

44. It was moved by Mr. Shepherd, seconded, and resolved—That the motion by Mr. Fowler, notice of which appears in the Paper of Business, be now considered.

It was then moved by Mr. Selway, on behalf of Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Ewin—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to consider and report as to the future mode of conducting the election of District Surveyors.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Williams, and seconded by Mr. J. Jones—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to consider and report as to the best mode of conducting future elections.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared to be carried.

The amendment was then put as an original motion, whereupon an amendment was moved by Mr. Harben, and seconded by Mr. Urquhart—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to consider and report as to the best method of electing Officers of the Board.

After discussion, the motion was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn, and the amendment was put as an original motion, and declared to be carried ; and it was resolved accordingly.

45. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 28th ultimo

(No. 3), for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz:—

Bowater-place, &c. ...	...	...	...	...	Greenwich.
Russell-place, &c. ...	...	...	...	...	Do.
Hornsey-rise, &c. ...	...	...	...	...	Islington.
Upper Barnsbury-street	...	...	...	...	Do.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

46. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. B. Behr, Managing Director of the Lartigue Railway Company, Limited, dated 3rd June, 1886, stating that the Company proposed to construct and exhibit experimentally a small section of a Railway on the "Lartigue System with Super-elevated Rail," on ground adjoining Francis-street, Westminster, and asking, if requisite, for the Board's consent thereto.

The Clerk presented a further Letter from Mr. F. B. Behr, dated 9th June, 1886, stating that the Company were informed that their application was not one for which the formal sanction of the Board was required, and requesting to be allowed to withdraw the former Letter.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the request be complied with.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. Thompson, Clerk to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, dated 4th June, 1886, stating that the Vestry concurred in the opinion of the Vestry of Clerkenwell that the Coal and Wine Duties would form a suitable fund to be appropriated for the preservation of Open Spaces, and expressing a hope that the Duties might be continued for that purpose.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. L. Hakeman, Secretary of Jeyes' Sanitary Compounds Company, Limited, dated 24th May, 1886, submitting an offer of the Company to disinfect and deodorise, at their own expense, in a thoroughly efficient manner, the Sewage at any point or points the Board might elect, and stating that should their offer be entertained they guaranteed that the Sewage treated with their compounds might be safely placed upon the land thoroughly deodorised and disinfected, and dealt with for manurial or other purposes in such manner as might be desired.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

49. The Clerk presented Letters, as follows—

28, Great Ormond-street, W.C.,
June 8th, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I have pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of your Letter of the 4th instant, informing me of my appointment by the Board as District Surveyor, under the Building Act, for the District of North Chelsea, and hereby accept the conditions recited therein.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) S. FLINT CLARKSON.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

12, Buckingham-street, Adelphi,
London, W.C., 7th June, 1886.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge your Letter of the 5th instant informing me of my appointment by the Metropolitan Board of Works, as District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan

Building Act, for South Chelsea, and I accept the appointment, subject to the conditions named therein.

I also take this opportunity of thanking the Board for electing me to the office.

J. Wakefield, Esq.,

Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

And remain, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. E. MUNDY.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. B. Hall, Secretary of the West Middlesex Waterworks Company, dated 7th June, 1886, transmitting a statement of the Accounts of the Company for the year ended 31st March last.

51. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Searle, Clerk to the New River Company, dated 4th June, 1886, stating that the Company intended to supply with water, on the constant system, the houses to be built in certain roads in Stoke Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the Letter, and asking the Board to indicate the number and position of the Fire Hydrants required.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer and Captain Shaw do report to the Committee thereon.

52. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Middleton, Kirkpatrick and Barr, dated 8th June, 1886, referring to their Tender for 50 tons of Manganate of Soda, and stating that they were prepared to supply 200 tons, at the minimum price of £9 17s. 6d., on the basis of 20 per cent.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

53. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

The Metropolitan Asylums Board,

37, Norfolk-street, Strand, London, W.C.,

8th June, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Managers to make application to the Metropolitan Board of Works for a Loan of £64,700 in connection with the extension of accommodation for Imbeciles at the Darenth Asylum.

I enclose Order of the Local Government Board authorising the Managers to borrow the said sum, and I shall have pleasure in submitting to your Board any information they may require in connection with this matter.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) W. F. JEBB,

Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,

Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

54. The Clerk presented a Memorial and Letter, as follows—

Memorial from owners and inhabitants of Ascham-street and Dunollie-road, St. Pancras, dated June 1886, expressing their regret at the decision of the Board to incorporate Ascham-street with Dunollie-road, and submitting, for the consideration of the Board, several reasons against such incorporation.

Letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, M.P., Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 9th June, 1886, referring to the former requests of the Vestry on the above subject, and stating that on further considering the great objections of the inhabitants to the alteration of the name of Ascham-street, the Vestry had resolved to ask the Board to rescind altogether their Order of the 12th February last, thus leaving the names of the two streets as they now stand.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Memorial and Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

55. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. Holland, Assistant Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 9th June, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Resolution expressing the opinion of the Vestry that when a vacancy occurs in the office of District Surveyor, the Parishes interested should be consulted before the Board divide the District, and that they considered the division in their Parish to be a disadvantage.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

56. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. G. Hills, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 9th June, 1886, asking this Board to receive the Deputation from the District Board on the subject of the widening of Nine-elms-lane, &c., on the 25th instead of the 11th instant.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Deputation be received on the 25th instant, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

57. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. L. Pemberton, Home Office, dated 8th June, 1886, stating that the Secretary of State had approved of the additional Bye-laws made by the Board under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts (Amendment) Act, 1878, as they stood, and that he would be prepared to confirm the same on a sealed copy being submitted to him for that purpose.

The Clerk laid before the Board two copies of the said Bye-laws.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said copies of Bye-laws be sealed; and that they be sent to the Home Secretary; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

58. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. C. Hurst, dated 9th June, 1886, asking the Board to take such steps as might be necessary to enable them to grant a Certificate, with a view to an application being made to the Magistrates for a Dramatic License, in respect of "The Good Duke Humphrey" Coffee Tavern, in Park-row, Greenwich.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

59. The Clerk presented a Memorial from shopkeepers, and others, in Green-street, Leicester-square, dated 7th June, 1886, with reference to alleged inconvenience and pecuniary loss occasioned by the closing of the thoroughfare from Leicester-square to the Strand, *viâ* Hemmings-row, in connection with the formation of the new street from Charing-cross to Tottenham-court-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto, and that in the meantime the Superintending Architect do take such measures as may be practicable for facilitating the removal of the houses and the opening of the thoroughfare.

60. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. W. Jewell, forwarding a Memorial asking the Board to allow the members of the Crescent Cricket Club, whose ages vary from 14 to 20 years, to play Cricket on Highbury-fields, either the whole of the day, or from 5 to 7.30 a.m.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Memorial be referred to the Parks, Commons and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

61. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. Bawcombe, dated 10th June, 1886, enclosing a Memorial from ratepayers and residents in the locality, representing the desirability of permanently railing in Nunhead-green.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration and report.

62. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. P. Heppel, dated 10th June, 1886, resigning his appointment as a Fourth-class Assistant in the Clerk's Department.

It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded, and resolved—That the resignation be accepted, and that it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to consider and report as to filling the vacancy.

63. The Chemist laid before the Board his Return of the Testings made at the Gas-testing Stations during the week ended on the 8th instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company	Notting-hill	17.2	16.7	17.0	10.6	9.0	9.8	0.3	0.0	0.1	None
	Camden	17.1	16.0	16.6	9.7	8.8	9.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
	Dalston	16.9	16.6	16.7	11.6	10.5	11.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Bow	17.3	16.1	16.7	10.6	7.4	8.3	1.6	1.2	1.4	"
	Chelsea (Fulham)	17.1	16.5	16.9	12.8	10.2	11.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	"
	„ (Nine-elms)	16.6	16.4	16.5	12.7	6.3	9.5	1.4	0.4	0.9	"
	Kingsland-road	17.3	16.5	16.8	11.8	9.4	10.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross	17.3	16.3	16.9	9.6	8.0	8.5	0.8	0.6	0.6	"
	St. John's-wood	17.6	16.8	17.2	11.2	9.7	10.2	0.8	0.5	0.6	"
	Lambeth	16.7	16.4	16.6	11.0	9.2	10.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company	Westminster (Cannel Gas)	Station closed for repairs									
	Peckham	17.4	16.6	17.0	11.2	8.3	10.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	"
	Tooley-street	16.8	16.3	16.7	14.0	11.0	12.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Clapham	16.8	16.3	16.6	15.7	10.3	12.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany	Lewisham	16.8	16.3	16.5	10.4	7.3	8.7	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford	17.2	17.0	17.1	13.4	9.1	11.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	St. George-in-the- East	17.8	16.9	17.4	11.7	10.2	10.9	0.4	0.2	0.3	"

64. It was moved by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and resolved, unanimously —That the Clerk do address a Letter to Mr. Charles Harris, expressing the sincere regret of the Board at his retirement, and the causes which have led to it.

65. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1885, on the application of Mr. J. Wedderburn, for the consent of the Board to the frontage line adopted in the erection of a wooden pent roof at No. 73, Summer-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

66. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Johnson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a workshop at the rear of No. 1, Addington-square, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted

67. CHELSEA.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. N. Kemp, on behalf of Mr. W. Jones, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the South-West side of Dartry-road, King's-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be not granted.

68. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. W. Congdon, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards to the front gables of six houses on the West side of Ruthin-road, Westcombe-park, Blackheath.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 69. HAMMERSMITH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. T. E. Knightley, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of buildings by Messrs. Carter, Paterson and Co., in Glenthorne-road, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings in that road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 70. HAMMERSMITH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Eggar, on behalf of Mr. G. L. P. Eyre, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 79 and 81, Goldhawke-road, Shepherd's-bush, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 71. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. E. Cole, for the consent of the Board to the erection of three houses on the North side of Eden-grove, Holloway-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 72. KENSINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Balcombe, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Hall and shops in Pembridge-villas, Bayswater, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 73. KENSINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. A. Adams, on behalf of Mr. A. W. Crocker, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an oriel window at the rear of No. 17, The Boltons, Brompton.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 74. LEWISHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. G. Loe, on behalf of Mr. W. H. Farmer, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards to a coach-house and stabling at the premises known as "Parkfield," in The Avenue, Sydenham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 75. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on a Letter from the Plumstead District Board, relative to the erection of a conservatory in Tranquil-vale, Blackheath, adjoining the Blackheath Railway Station, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 76. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. R. Winter, on behalf of Messrs. Williams and Son, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the Factory in Martello-terrace, London-fields.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 77. POPLAR.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Ashbridge, on behalf of Mr. J. Brine, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at No. 105, St. Stephen's-road, Old Ford.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

- 78. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on a Notice from Mr. J. Harverson, of his intention to form an extension of Halidon-street, Urswick-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying such Notice.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Notice and Plan be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 79. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. R. Cruwys, for approval by the Board of a further amended Plan for the formation and names of new roads, to lead out of Milkwood-road, Herne-hill.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 80. PLUMSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. O. Cook, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a new road, to lead out of the East side of Cage-lane.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 81. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Swann, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of two blocks of combined dwellings at the rear of houses on the North-West side of Latchmere-road, Battersea, in the position shown thereon.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 82. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, on the application of Messrs. Hards and Jenkinson, on behalf of Mr. G. Barnes, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews to lead out of the East side of Thrale-road, Streatham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 83. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. S. Smith, on behalf of Messrs. Astell Brothers, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of two wood and iron sheds, and a wooden office, on land adjoining No. 88, Park-road, with openings in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

- 84. LEWISHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Chancellor, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of hollow walls in the erection of All Saints Vicarage, Blackheath.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

- 85. CAMBERWELL.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Jarvis, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee, for a special service performed by him in superintending the setting of a boiler, at Brook's Brewery, in Hill-street, Peckham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Fifteen shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

- 86. ISLINGTON.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. R. Johnston, on behalf of Mr. W. Newholm, for approval by the Board of certain deviations from the Drawings originally sanctioned for a proposed new Music-hall at the rear of the "Old Pied Bull," Public-house, No. 188, Holloway-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 87. FULHAM.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of the Rev. M. Smith, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-hall, at the corner of Cassingly-road and Alric-terrace.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 88. HAMMERSMITH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. C. Humphreys, on behalf of Mr. S. Bewsher, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron Mission-room on vacant land adjoining No. 36, Margravine-gardens.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building, and that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 89. HACKNEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. D. Matthews, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in certifying that a chimney-breast in the party-wall of No. 115, High-street, Stoke Newington, might be cut away.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a Fee of Ten shillings in respect of the special service referred to.

90. LAMBETH.—Read a communication from Mr. John Alexander James Woodward, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Central Lambeth and part of Battersea, dated 8th June, 1886, notifying that an addition to Messrs. Myer and Co.'s Factory, in Vauxhall-walk, was about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved, and ordered, as follows—~~Whereas~~ Mr. John Alexander James Woodward, District Surveyor for the District of Central Lambeth and part of Battersea, did on the 8th day of June, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said John Alexander James Woodward was engaged to act professionally in respect of an addition to Messrs. Myer and Co.'s Factory, in Vauxhall-walk, and the said John Alexander James Woodward has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Edwin Richard Hewitt, District Surveyor for the District of St. Saviour, St. George-the-Martyr (part), and Christchurch, Southwark, and the Northern Division of Lambeth, be appointed by this Board, and the said Edwin Richard Hewitt is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

91. PADDINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Mew, on behalf of Miss E. Ayckbown, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Girl's College on the North side of Shirland-road, Kilburn, with a projecting bay-window and porch, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-window and porch therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

92. WESTMINSTER.—Read a communication from Mr. Edward Dru Drury, District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of St. Margaret and St. John the Evangelist, and the Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, dated 7th June, 1886, notifying that certain alterations and additions to No. 22, Strutton-ground, were about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved, and ordered, as follows—~~Whereas~~ Mr. Edward Dru Drury, District Surveyor for the District of St. Margaret and St. John the Evangelist, and the Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, did, on the 7th day of June, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said Edward Dru Drury, was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain alterations and additions to No. 22, Strutton-ground, and the said Edward Dru Drury has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. William Alfred Large, District Surveyor for the District of the Belgrave and Pimlico Division of St. George, Hanover-square, be appointed by this Board, and the said William Alfred Large is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

93. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. H. Bethell, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of four houses on the West side of Vanbrugh-hill, Blackheath, with basement walls of Portland cement concrete.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, and that a License, with such conditions as to the quality and composition of the concrete, and other matters, as are contained in the form of License approved by the Board, on the 28th November, 1879 (No. 6), be granted to the applicant.

Adjourned until Friday, the 25th instant,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 23.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on **Friday**, the **25th** day of **June**, 1886, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SIR JAMES M. M^CGAREL-HOGG, BART., K.C.B., M.P.,
Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, Esq., the Deputy-Chairman of the Board.

ALFRED EWIN, Esq.	FREDERICK GEORGE BAKER, Esq.	CAPTAIN WENBORN.
JOHN LENANTON, Esq.		JOHN REDDISH, Esq.
WILLIAM BURNHAM GARRETT, Esq.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, Esq.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Esq.
COLONEL MUNRO.	FREDERICK COX, Esq.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, Esq.
WILLIAM URQUHART, Esq.	GEORGE EDWARDS, Esq.	GEORGE HILL, Esq.
PETER WILLIAM FUNNELL, Esq.	FRANCIS JOHN WOOD, Esq.	ROBERT FREEMAN, Esq.
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CHARLES MOSSOP, Esq.	THOMAS FREDERICK RIDER, Esq.	JOHN RUNTZ, Esq.
WILLIAM ANDREWS, Esq.	GEORGE BROWN, Esq.	WILLIAM ROBSON, Esq.
WILLIAM BOUTCHER, Esq.	JOHN EDWIN BRADFIELD, Esq.	HON. ALAN DE TATTON EGERTON, M.P.
JOHN ROBERT JOLLY, Esq.	JOHN BONTHRON, Esq.	WILLIAM JAMES WETENHALL, Esq.
GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, Esq.	JOHN JONES, Esq.	WILLIAM DEBENHAM, Esq.
HENRY HARBEN, Esq.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, Esq., M.P.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, Esq.
JOHN ABBOTT, Esq.	GEORGE PHILLIPS, Esq.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, Esq., DEPUTY.
ANDREW MIDDLEMASS, Esq.	THEOPHILUS WILLIAM WILLIAMS, Esq.	
FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esq., F.R.C.S., Eng.		

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board, held on the 11th instant, were approved, and were signed by the Chairman, and by two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings respectively.
2. Read Letters, as follows—

Vestry of the Hamlet of Mile-end Old-town.

Office, Vestry-hall, Bancroft-road,

Mile-end-road, E.

24th June, 1886,

DEAR SIR.—I beg to inform you that at the Meeting of the above-named Vestry, holden last evening, Francis John Wood, Esq., of 1, Nicholas-street, St. Peter's-road, Mile-end, E., was unanimously elected as the representative of this Vestry at the Metropolitan Board of

25 June, 1886.

Works, in the place of Robert Jones, Esq., whose term of office had expired, and who declined to be again elected.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the Board,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) MILLNER JUTSUM,
Clerk to the Vestry.

Saint George-in-the-East, Middlesex.

Vestry-hall, Cable-street,
17th June, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that this Vestry have this evening unanimously re-elected Mr. Thomas Morrison Fairclough the representative of this Parish at the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) H. THOMPSON,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

Vestry of Saint Pancras.

General Business Department,
Vestry-hall, Pancras-road,
17th June, 1886.

SIR,—In reply to your Letter of the 22nd May last, I beg to inform you that the Vestry, on Wednesday last, unanimously re-elected Mr. Frederick George Baker as their representative at the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THO ECCLESTON GIBB,
Vestry Clerk.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk to the
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington,
Offices, Town-hall, Kensington High-street, W.
18th June, 1886.

SIR.—I have the honour to inform you, that at a Meeting of the Vestry of Kensington, held on Wednesday evening last (June 16th, 1886), Robert Freeman, Esq., of No. 25, Earl's-terrace, Kensington, was unanimously re-elected a representative of the Parish of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, at the Metropolitan Board of Works, for the ensuing three years, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Local Management Act.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) GEO. C. HARDING,
Clerk to the Vestry.

The Clerk
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

The Clerk reported that all the vacancies created by the retirement of Members of the Board were filled up.

3. A Deputation from the Wandsworth District Board, introduced by Mr. Meaden, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. E. Wood, Mr. J. F. Moulton, M.P., Mr. A. Wilson, Mr. W. H. Campbell, Mr. W. H. Poole, Mr. T. Bowley, Mr. C. Laceby, Mr. G. Hunt, Mr. W. Davies, Mr. N. Preedy, Mr. W. Merrifield, Mr. A. Bridge, Mr. W. Murray, Mr. J. W. Norton, Mr. C. M. Clench, Mr. T. Spearing, and Mr. Watkins, accompanied by Mr. H. G. Hills, the Clerk, and Mr. T. P. Pilditch, one of the Surveyors to the District Board, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

SHREWETH,—

That your Memorialists have frequently had brought under their notice the necessity

which has for some years existed for the widening of the continuous line of thoroughfare known as Nine-elms-lane, Battersea-park-road, and York-road respectively, between the boundary of this district at Nine-elms and the London and South-Western Railway Station at Wandsworth.

That there is a very large and increasing amount of traffic along the thoroughfare in question, and that the laying down of a line of tramways there has rendered the widening of the road more urgently necessary, as the road-way is in many places too narrow to allow of the tram cars passing whilst carts are being unloaded at the premises fronting the road.

That the said thoroughfare is the main artery near the river, between East and West on the South side of the Thames, the heavy traffic being taken along this route to avoid the steep inclines of the Upper Wandsworth-road.

That your Memorialists have as occasion offered acquired by purchase several strips of land and premises abutting on the said thoroughfare for the purpose of widening the road-way, but they are of opinion that the only effectual way of putting an end to the danger and inconvenience arising from the congestion of traffic there is to carry out the widening of the roads throughout as one general scheme, and they respectfully submit that this is urgently needed, and that the circumstances are such as to render the case one in which the expenditure may properly be charged upon the whole Metropolis.

Your Memorialists, therefore, humbly pray that your Honourable Board will carry out the widening of Nine-elms-lane, Battersea-park-road and York-road, as shown by Pink colour on the Plans accompanying this Memorial, as a Metropolitan Improvement.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

Sealed by Order.

(Signed) G. P. MEADEN,

Chairman,

„ HEN. GEO. HILLS,

Clerk to the Board.

L.S.

Battersea-rise, S.W.,

23rd June, 1886.

The Deputation was heard in support of the Memorial.

A Deputation from residents in Nine-elms-lane, Battersea-park-road, and York-road, introduced by Mr. Meaden, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. O. V. Morgan, M.P., Mr. H. Kimber, M.P., Messrs. Thorne Brothers, Mr. E. Williams, Mr. W. J. Richards, Mr. T. B. Heaphy, Messrs. J. Bryan and Co., Mr. A. Moore, Mr. S. Duck, Mr. M. E. Fielding, Mr. J. Collins, Mr. J. Keen, Messrs. Young and Co., Mr. F. Drumman, Messrs. Purdy and Sons, Messrs. W. Bridge and Sons, and Mr. F. Rummins, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of Owners and Occupiers of property in the localities of Nine-elms-lane, Battersea-park-road and York-road, situated in the Parishes of Battersea and Wandsworth,

SHEWETH,—

That your Memorialists desire to call the serious attention of your Honourable Board to the pressing necessity which exists for the widening of the line of thoroughfare above-mentioned.

That great delay, inconvenience, and danger, and many accidents are caused by the inadequate width of such roads, and that the construction of the tramways has aggravated the evil of which your Memorialists complain.

Your Memorialists submit most respectfully that, having regard to the increased amount of traffic along the highway in question, and to the fact that the traffic is rapidly increasing, the roads in question should be widened by your Honourable Board, as other roads in London, which have become too narrow for the growing traffic, have been widened and improved.

Your Memorialists therefore earnestly pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to take the subject into consideration, and will adopt such measures as may be considered advisable for the purpose of widening the thoroughfare in question as soon as practicable.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

(Signed)

O. V. MORGAN, Church-road, Battersea,

For the Morgan Crucible Company,

And 4,039 others.

The Deputation was heard in support of the Memorial.

It was *moved* by Mr. Meaden, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That the foregoing Memorials be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

4. A Deputation from the Boards of Works for the Districts of Greenwich, Hackney, Lewisham, Limehouse, Poplar and Whitechapel, and the Vestries of Bethnal-green, Mile-end Old-town and Rotherhithe, introduced by Mr. Lenanton, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. W. Hunter, Mr. T. J. Dixon, Mr. W. B. Hopson, Mr. F. Hallett, Mr. T. S. Watts, Mr. E. Smith, Mr. T. B. Williams, Mr. W. H. Mitchell, Mr. R. W. Sherrard, Mr. J. Collingbourne, Mr. F. H. Bowles, Mr. J. H. Keeble, Mr. J. S. Curtis, Mr. R. Hopwood, Mr. W. Warburton, Mr. J. S. Turner, Mr. D. K. Forbes, Mr. J. Holland, Mr. H. Chambers, Mr. G. Ilsley, Mr. J. Bussey, Mr. H. Cheshire, Mr. J. Yabstey, Mr. C. Lacey, Mr. T. Rusher, Mr. F. W. Shorter, Mr. G. Young, Mr. J. Williams, Mr. W. Clark, Mr. T. Gaisford, Mr. E. Thurgood, Mr. J. Rundell, Mr. G. Loveday, Mr. F. W. Barratt, Mr. J. C. Riddall, and Mr. J. Dudley, accompanied by Mr. W. H. Farnfield, the Clerk, and Mr. L. Potts, the Assistant Clerk to the Poplar District Board, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Poplar District, in the County of Middlesex,

SHEWETH,—That a Conference of Delegates representing the Boards of Works for the Districts of Greenwich, Hackney, Lewisham, Limehouse, Poplar, and Whitechapel, and the Vestries of Saint Matthew, Bethnal-green, Mile-end Old-town, and Rotherhithe, was held, by adjournment, at the Cannon-street Hotel, on Tuesday, the 1st day of June instant, when the following Resolutions were unanimously agreed upon, namely—

“ That this Meeting is of opinion that the necessity of proceeding with the question of
“ communications across the Thames East of the proposed new Corporation
“ Bridge is imperative, and should be taken in hand by the Metropolitan
“ Board of Works without delay.”

“ That this Meeting would respectfully call the attention of the Metropolitan Board of
“ Works to the Report of its Engineer, dated the 19th day of August, 1882,
“ recommending that the points of crossing should be between Shadwell and
“ Rotherhithe, and between Blackwall and Greenwich; and this Meeting is
“ strongly of opinion that such Schemes should be at once undertaken by the
“ Metropolitan Board of Works.”

“ That a Memorial be prepared, embodying the Resolutions passed by the Conference,
“ and that a copy of such Memorial be forwarded to each District Board and
“ Vestry represented, with a request that the same be sealed and presented to the
“ Metropolitan Board of Works on one particular day.”

“ That the Deputation to speak to the Memorials do attend the Metropolitan Board
“ of Works on Friday, the 25th day of June, 1886.”

Your Memorialists therefore humbly pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to take the necessary steps to obtain Parliamentary powers to proceed with the Schemes above referred to.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

The Seal of the above-named Board of Works for the Poplar District was affixed hereto at a Meeting of the District Board, held on the 22nd day of June, 1886, by order of the said District Board, in the presence of

(Signed)

WM. HENRY FARNFIELD,
Clerk to the said Board of Works.

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The Deputation having been heard in support of the Memorial,

It was *moved* by Mr. Lenanton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and *resolved*—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

Similar Memorials were also handed in by Col. Munro, Mr. Ewin, Mr. Wood, Mr. Runtz, and Mr. Abbott, from the Whitechapel District Board, the Vestries of Bethnal-green and Mile-end Old-town, and the Hackney and Limehouse District Boards.

Mr. Tolhurst handed in a Letter from Mr. J. J. Stokes, Clerk to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, dated 23rd June, 1886, stating that the Vestry, whilst concurring in the Memorials presented by certain Vestries and District Boards as to the imperative necessity for proceeding with the question of providing a means of transit across the Thames East of Tower-hill, the Vestry of Rotherhithe were of opinion that it should be by way of a Bridge, either in continuation of the Deptford Lower-road, or at such other point within the Parish of Rotherhithe as might appear more suitable, and referring to their Memorial presented to the Board on the 27th November last, and to a Resolution passed by them on the 20th April last, on the subject.

It was *moved* by Colonel Munro, seconded by Mr. Ewin, and *resolved*—That the said Memorials and Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which they relate.

5. Mr. J. Jones handed in a Letter from Mr. T. M. Jenkins, Clerk to the Strand District Board, dated 24th June, 1886, urging upon this Board the desirability of paving the new street from Trafalgar-square with a noiseless paving.

It was *moved* by Mr. J. Jones, seconded, and *resolved*—That the District Board be informed that arrangements in accordance with their suggestion have already been made.

6. Mr. Lenanton handed in a Letter from Mr. W. H. Farnfield, Clerk to the Poplar District Board, dated 24th June, 1886, thanking this Board for adopting temporary means of relief from the floodings in the Isle of Dogs, pending the establishment of the permanent works in progress.

It was *moved* by Mr. Lenanton, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

7. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. W. Murnane, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, dated 25th June, 1886, urging the re-opening of Hemming's-row at as early a date as practicable.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Vestry be informed that arrangements have been made with a view to the thoroughfare being re-opened on Monday next.

8. Mr. Fowler, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 21st June, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority conferred upon them by the Board, they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts—

<i>Bridges (Act of 1881).—</i>				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Re Properties in The Terrace and Church-row (Putney)—</i>									
(1706)—									
72 Charges for survey and valuation of materials—									
Messrs. C. and H. White	...	...	...				3	3	-
<i>Streets (Act of 1883).—</i>									
<i>Re Bartlett (Bermondsey)—(1732)—</i>									
1122 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—									
Mr. H. A. Bryden	...	...	...	...	5	1	8		
Carried forward	...	...	...	...	£5	1	8	£3	3 -

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	5	1	8	3	3	—
<i>Re Herbert (Green-street, Bethnal-green)—(1733)—</i>						
1123 Purchase-money and Compensation for yearly tenancy in No. 3, Victoria-park-square—						
Mr. J. Herbert	400	—	—			
1124 Surveyors' Fees, as per Contract—						
Messrs. C. Baines and Ball	15	15	—			
<i>Re Wilcox (Bermondsey)—(1734)—</i>						
1125 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—						
Mr. A. Myers	7	7	—			
<i>Re Head (Bermondsey)—(1735)—</i>						
1126 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—						
Messrs. West, King, Adams and Co.	25	19	10			
				454	3	6
<i>Poplar Improvement.</i>						
<i>Re Liddle—(1736)—</i>						
34 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—						
Messrs. Digby and Liddle	25	4	—			
<i>Re Kirby—(1737)—</i>						
35 Purchase-money for Leasehold of No. 249, High- street, Poplar—						
Mr. J. Kirby £170	—	—				
36 Trade compensation—						
Mr. J. Kirby	380	—	—			
				550	—	—
37 Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract—						
Messrs. C. Baines and Ball	16	16	—			
				592	—	—
<i>Dwelling-house Improvement Fund.</i>						
<i>Re Bassett's Trustees (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1738)—</i>						
5835 Preliminary Costs, and of Title, &c.—						
Messrs. Roberts and Barlow	26	3	1			
<i>Re Bourne (Trafalgar-road, Greenwich)—(1739)—</i>						
5836 Costs of Title and Conveyance—						
Messrs. Howard and Shelton	60	13	4			
<i>Re Beechey (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1740)—</i>						
5837 Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 42 and 42A, New-street, and compensation for loss of business—						
Mr. T. Beechey (Senr.)	556	—	—			
5838 Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract—						
Mr. T. Beechey (Senr.)	14	14	—			
<i>Re Richardson (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1741)—</i>						
5839 Purchase-money for Fee-simple of Nos. 1 to 3, Frenches-fields—						
Mr. H. Richardson	240	—	—			
<i>Re Boys (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1742)—</i>						
5840 Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in No. 35, Wellington-street—						
Mr. J. Boys	160	—	—			
5841 Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract—						
Mr. F. Hards	7	7	—			
Carried forward	£1,064	17	5	1,049	6	6

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	1064	17	5	1049	6	6
<i>Re Hills (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1743)—</i>									
5842	Purchase-money for Fee-simple of No. 98, Water-gate-street—								
	Mrs. Annette Hills	...	...	550	-	-			
5843	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract—								
	Mr. F. Hards	...	...	14	14	-			
<i>Re Whitewood (Hughes'-fields, Deptford)—(1744)—</i>									
5844	Purchase-money and compensation for yearly tenancy in piece of land and stabling in Hughes'-fields, Deptford, and for loss of business—								
	Mr. G. L. Whitewood	...	...	70	-	-			
5845	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract—								
	Mr. G. L. Whitewood	...	...	4	4	-			
5846	Solicitor's preliminary Fee, as per Contract—								
	Mr. J. Webber (Junr.)	...	...	2	2	-			
							1,705	17	5
							<u>£2,755</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>

Your Committee beg to recommend that Cheques as follows be drawn on the General Capital Account—

Re Cowie (Dulwich-park)—(1745)—

6712	Purchase-money for Leasehold interest in land at the rear of "The Elms," Dulwich-common—								
	Miss M. B. Cowie and Mr. J. M. Cowie	...	...	...	£540	-	-		
6713	Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract—								
	Mr. W. C. Scott	...	...	...	14	14	-		
					<u>£554</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>-</u>		

Your Committee submit, for the information of the Board, Accounts of sales of old building materials by Messrs. Horne, Son and Eversfield—

On 4th March, 1886—

Mint-street, Southwark—

Produce of sale	...	...	£22	-	-
Commission £7 10s. per cent.	...	...	1	13	-

Amount received by the Board, 17th April, 1886

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On 14th April, 1886—

Nos. 303 and 304, Upper-street, Islington—

Produce of sale	...	...	£63	-	-
Commission £7 10s. per cent.	...	...	4	14	6

Amount received by the Board, 7th June, 1886

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Your Committee, in pursuance of the reference by the Board of the 20th January last (No. 3), have considered the Tenders and Drawings received by the Board on that day for a Vessel for conveying Sewage-sludge to sea. They have also had before them a Report, prepared, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the above date, by your Engineer and Sir Frederick Bramwell, in which they state that they have examined

the twenty designs which have been sent in, and find that the principles involved admit of their classifying the same under three heads :—

First, those which propose to discharge their contents by the use of centrifugal pumps. Five such designs were submitted, the prices ranging from £15,510 to £17,800.

Second, those which propose to discharge their contents by means of compressed air. Of this class three designs were submitted, ranging in price from £16,000 to £24,000.

And, *Third*, those which propose to discharge their contents by the action of gravity. Of this construction twelve designs were received.

The latter class they divide into two sub-classes, namely, those where it is intended that the sludge-holds should be situated low down and provided with drop doors or other means of discharge; and secondly, those where it is proposed to carry the material at such an elevation as will give it a sufficient head to discharge when the vessel is loaded, the head being maintained by the rising of the lightened vessel as the material flows out. Six designs have been received upon the first of these two systems, the prices ranging from £15,000 to about £30,000, and six upon the latter system, ranging in price from £15,750 up to £28,100. The Engineers express an opinion that the last-mentioned mode of discharge is the one that commends itself from its simplicity and rapidity, and they state that the lowest but two of the 20 Tenders received is for a vessel of that character, and is made by the Barrow Shipbuilding Company. The amount of it is £15,750. The Engineers state that that design is acceptable in other respects as regards size of hull and arrangement of engines, twin screws being employed, and two boilers being provided, and they advise the Board to adopt the Tender of that Company, subject to the Tenderers obtaining Lloyd's 100 A Certificate as to the structure of the ship, and to such modifications in details as may be determined hereafter. With respect to the annual cost of working a Sewage-sludge Fleet, the Engineers estimate that 3,000 tons of sludge per diem could be carried out to sea for an annual cost not exceeding £37,000, or probably from 7d. to 8d. per ton. Since that Report was made, the Company have been requested to obtain the Certificate of Lloyd's, and a Letter has been received from them, stating that they have ascertained from Lloyd's that upon certain additions being made the vessel will be eligible for the 100 A class. These additions the Company express their willingness to make without increasing the amount of their Tender. They also agree to comply with the requirements of the Board of Trade, with whom your Engineer has also been in communication. The Thames Conservators, whose views have also been asked, state that all vessels of this character should be licensed under Clause 39 of the Conservators' Bye-Laws, and that the condition upon which the License will be granted will be that the sludge shall be deposited at a spot not less than 10 miles beyond the Nore Light Vessel. They also suggest that before any final decision is made as to the locality where the sludge is to be discharged, both the Admiralty and the Corporation of the Trinity House should be consulted. The subject of the Tenders has been fully enquired into by a Sub-Committee to whom it was referred, and your Committee having received and considered their Report, have now to state that they fully concur in the opinion expressed by your Engineer and Sir F. Bramwell, that the Design sent in by the Barrow Shipbuilding Company is, with the modifications which the Company have agreed to make, best suited for the Board's requirements. They therefore recommend that one vessel be ordered from the Company in accordance with such Design, and that your Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Contract.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letter from Mr. J. Casey, referred to them on the 9th April last (No. 49), asking that before the Board come to any conclusion whatever on the subject of the transport of the Sewage of the Metropolis to Mid-channel, the usual course may be adopted, and the Designs

for vessels to be constructed, which have been received in response to the Board's Advertisement, may be thrown open to the public. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Casey be informed that the Board are not prepared to adopt his suggestion, and that all the Designs which are not accepted will be returned.

Your Committee have had before them the Letter referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo (No. 47), from the Secretary of State, in reply to the Board's Letter of the 17th April, forwarding copies of the Report presented by your Committee, and adopted on the 26th of March, on the subject of the treatment of the Metropolitan Sewage at the Main Drainage outfalls into the Thames. The Secretary of State refers in his Letter to the recommendations contained in the Report of the Royal Commission on Metropolitan Sewage Discharge, and states that the proposals of the Board differ materially from those recommendations, and he impresses upon the Board that the responsibility of the course proposed rests entirely upon them. Your Committee, after a careful consideration of the Letter, are of opinion that the reply of the Board should be to the effect that, after a searching enquiry, they are satisfied that the proposed measures will be found sufficient, but that should it hereafter prove necessary to supplement or alter them the Board will not be unmindful of their duties and responsibilities in the matter. Your Committee have approved a draft Letter to the above effect, and they recommend—

That it be sent to the Secretary of State.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. W. H. Denham, referred to them on the 2nd April last (No. 35), asking permission to inspect the Sewage works at Barking, and submitting certain particulars with regard to a saving in the cost of the treatment of the Sewage at the Barking and Crossness Outfalls. The Board, on the 2nd March, 1883, granted permission to Mr. Denham to carry out experiments at Crossness Pumping Station, in connection with his process for the purification of Sewage. Your Engineer, however, reported on the 25th May, 1883, that he had been unable to obtain from Mr. Denham the information necessary to admit of arrangements being made for the commencement of the experiments. On 27th July, 1883, your Committee reported that your Solicitor had been unable to prepare an Agreement with Mr. Denham, as he had failed to furnish the necessary Plans. The Board, therefore, resolved that the reference made to the Solicitor should be discharged, and that no further action should be taken in the matter. Mr. Denham now asks the Board to erect works at Barking and Crossness, and to adopt his system of treating Sewage at both outfalls, but as the information requested three years ago has not yet been provided, your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Denham be informed that the Board are not prepared to accede to his request.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter from Mr. T. Chappell, referred to them on the 2nd April last (No. 39), asking the Board to grant him an interview for the purpose of explaining his system of the treatment of Sewage sludge. Mr. Chappell does not furnish any details of his process, but states that he has started works in Ireland for the purpose of carrying out his system. Under these circumstances your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Chappell be informed that the Board will be prepared to receive a statement from him of the result of his works in Ireland, when a sufficient time has elapsed to enable him to judge of the utility of his process.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Letters, referred to them on the 2nd April last (No. 45), from the Kimmeridge Carbon Sewage Filter and Manure Company, asking permission to erect a filter at the Crossness Pumping Station, and to use and experiment with a portion of the sludge that passes through the Board's presses; and also asking to be permitted to erect a temporary shed for the purpose of treating the sludge, and converting it into a marketable manure. Your Committee, having conferred with your Engineer and your Chemist, recommend—

That the Company be permitted to make the experiment they propose, for a period not

exceeding three months: the experiment to be entirely at the Company's own cost, and subject to such directions as they may receive from the Board's Superintendent on the spot, and subject further to the Company leaving the ground clear at the end of their experiment, and to their not in any way interfering with or impeding the Board's operations at the Station; and also subject to an Agreement to that effect, to be prepared by the Solicitor.

Your Committee have had before them Letters from Mr. A. Morten and Mrs. J. Palmer, offering to sell to the Board certain lands in Erith Marshes, and your Committee recommend—

That the Writers be informed that the Board are not at present in a position to deal with their offers.

Your Committee, in compliance with the reference by the Board of the 26th March last (No. 25), have considered the arrangements to be made consequent upon the resignation of Mr. P. Lambert, a First-class Assistant in your Solicitor's Department. They have ascertained from your Solicitor that Mr. Lambert's principal duties were connected with the Board's operations under the Artizans' and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Acts, and your Solicitor is of opinion that Mr. H. E. O. Fry, who assisted Mr. Lambert in that work, might be entrusted with it if rather more superintendence were in future given by the Solicitor himself, or by his principal Assistant. If that arrangement be made, your Committee think it would be right to give Mr. Fry some promotion. He is now in the Third Class, and receiving £140 a year, and they recommend—

That he be promoted to the Second Class, at the commencing salary of £150 a year.

It will be requisite that a new Fourth-class Clerk should be appointed, and your Committee recommend—

That Mr. H. T. Strange, the candidate who at the last examination was next in order of merit to those who have already received appointments, be appointed in the Fourth Class at £80 a year.

Your Committee have had before them a Report by your Engineer on the case of William Baker, a boiler-house cleaner and coal trimmer at the Deptford Pumping Station. Baker has been ill for some time, but is now better. The Medical Officer is of opinion, however, that he is not strong enough for the work of a boiler-house cleaner and coal trimmer, and your Engineer states that the Superintendent at the Pumping Station could employ him upon lighter work, without any addition being necessary to the present staff. On that understanding, your Committee are of opinion that Baker may continue to be employed at the Pumping Station, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have considered the question, referred to them by the Board on the 11th instant (No. 62), of filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Heppel, a Fourth-class Assistant in your Clerk's Department. They have conferred with your Clerk, who has suggested that Mr. F. L. Grosvenor, the next available Candidate after Mr. Strange, who has been selected for your Solicitor's Department, should be appointed to fill the vacancy. Your Committee concur in the suggestion, and recommend—

That Mr. Grosvenor be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, a Fourth-class Assistant in your Clerk's Department at the commencing salary of £80 per annum.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 21st ultimo (No. 37) from the Vestry of Chelsea, stating that their suggestion that the expenses incurred by them in relation to the Wedlake-street Foot-bridge should be borne by the Vestries interested, in the following manner:—Chelsea, two-thirds; Paddington, one-sixth and Kensington, one-sixth, which suggestion had been agreed to by the Vestry of Paddington, but not by the Vestry of Kensington, and requesting the Board, in accordance with the provisions of Section 46 of the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1883, to determine the proportion of the expenses to be borne by the respective Vestries. Since the date of the reference, the Vestry of Kensington have agreed to

the payment of their proposed share of the cost of maintaining the Foot-bridge, and under these circumstances your Committee recommend—

That the Vestry of Chelsea be informed that the Board do not, at the present time, propose to take any further steps in the matter.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 28th ultimo (No. 42), from the Limehouse District Board, stating that complaint had been made to them of the flooding of the premises No. 19, Turner's-road, Limehouse; calling attention to the same, and reminding the Board that the Storm Relief Sewer was intended to prevent the recurrence of floodings in that road, as well as in other localities, and asking them to give immediate attention to the matter. It appears that, on the occasion referred to, 13th May, there was a very slight flooding of No. 19, Turner's-road, but that the water quickly disappeared from the basement-floor, which is 8 feet 2 inches below the surface of the road-way. Two weirs, for which provision was partly made during the construction of the Limehouse, &c., Relief Sewer, were ordered by the Board, at their last meeting, to be constructed, for the purpose of affording additional relief, and the works will be put in hand forthwith. Your Committee recommend—

That the District Board be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the Letter, referred to them on the 4th instant (No. 56), from the Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, calling attention to probable danger from the landing-steps leading down to the River from the Victoria Embankment, especially those near the Cleopatra Needle, and suggesting that a substantial rail should be fixed down the middle of every flight of steps, from the top to the bottom. At present there are "hit-and-miss" railings on the top of each flight of steps, and hand-rails on each side from top to bottom. The placing of rails down the centre of the flights has hitherto been objected to by the Board, because of the danger to boats landing and embarking passengers at the steps. Your Committee think that the objection still holds good, and they accordingly recommend—

That the Commissioner of Police be informed that, for that reason, the Board regret that they are unable to adopt the suggestion.

Your Committee have had before them a Letter from Mr. G. Hollis, applying for permission to erect stabling over a part of the Counter's-creek Sewer, passing through ground on the St. Quintin Estate, Oxford-gardens, Notting-hill, as shown by the Plan accompanying the application. Your Committee have received a Report from your Engineer, and they beg to recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that Mr. Hollis, or his clients, do enter into the usual Agreement, to be prepared by the Solicitor, reserving to the Board their right of access to the Sewer as long as may be necessary.

Your Committee have also considered the Letter, referred to them on the 8th January last (No. 4), from the Fulham District Board, asking for a contribution towards the cost (estimated at £300) of an Improvement by widening a portion of Greyhound-road, and for a Loan of a moiety of such cost. It is proposed to set back the line of frontage for a length of about 250 feet, to a line of 20 feet from the centre of the old road, as shown on the Plan. The Improvement has been viewed by your Committee, and appears to them to be desirable, and your Superintending Architect reports that the cost of the land is not excessive. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost of the Improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £150, and to be paid to the Vestry of Fulham, on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered your Engineer's Report, referred to them on the 13th November last (No. 26), on Letters from the

Fulham District Board, forwarding a copy of a Memorial, signed by 127 persons, and a copy of a Report by the Medical Officer of the District, relative to an alleged nuisance from the discharge of fluids from the Hammersmith Distillery into the Sewer on the South side of Chancellor-road, Fulham-road, and asking whether this Board will take steps to prevent the discharge. Your Committee have consulted your proper Officers, but after full enquiry they do not consider it desirable that the Board should take any action in the matter, and they recommend—

That a Letter be addressed to the Vestry of Hammersmith, informing them to that effect.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
W. R. SELWAY,
SAML. PRICE,
JOHN RUNTZ,
DONALD MUNRO,
W. J. WETENHALL,
W. URQUHART,
J. E. BRADFELD.

The Account of sale of old building materials at Mint-street, Southwark, and at Upper-street, Islington; and the draft reply to the Treasury on the subject of the treatment of the Metropolitan Sewage, submitted with the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Cheques be now drawn, as follows—

General Capital Account.

Re Cowie (Dulwich-park)—(1745)—

6712 Purchase-money for leasehold interest in land at the rear of "The Elms," Dulwich-common—

Miss M. B. Cowie and Mr. J. M. Cowie	...	...	...	£540	-	-
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6713 Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract—

Mr. W. C. Scott	...	...	...	...	14	14	-
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£554	14	-
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And Cheques were drawn accordingly.

Previously to Mr. Fowler moving the adoption of that part of the Report which relates to the designs for the Sewage-sludge vessel, Mr. Richardson called attention to a Letter addressed to the Board, by direction of the Home Secretary, on 19th May last, and presented on 21st May (No. 47), relative to the steps taken by the Board for dealing with the Metropolitan Sewage, and expressing the views of the Home Secretary thereon, and *moved*—That the Letter be now read.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Lenanton.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Mossop, and seconded by Mr. Williams—

That the Letter in question be printed for the use of the Members of the Board.

After discussion the amendment was by leave of the Board withdrawn.

The motion was then put to the vote, when there were for it 30, against it 2, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

The Letter was thereupon read by the Clerk.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded by Mr. Selway—That so much of the Report as relates to the several designs, specifications, and tenders for a Sewage-sludge vessel be approved; that the design sent in by the Barrow Shipbuilding Company,

Limited, with certain modifications therein which the Company have agreed to make be accepted; that one vessel be ordered from the Company, in accordance with such modified design, and that the Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Contract.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Tolhurst, and seconded by Mr. J. Jones—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

After discussion the amendment was put to the vote, when there were for it 12, against it 32; and it was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, when there were for it 32, against it 5, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. J. Casey be informed that the Board are not prepared to adopt his suggestion to throw open for public inspection the Designs which have been received for Sludge Vessels, and that all the Designs which are not accepted will be returned to the owners thereof.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the proposed reply to the Letter from the Home Secretary, dated the 19th May last, on the subject of the treatment of the Metropolitan Sewage, be approved and sent.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Middlemass, and seconded by Mr. J. Jones—That the draft Letter be referred back to the Committee for further consideration, and that they be authorised to send such a reply to the Home Secretary's Letter as they may consider desirable.

The amendment having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an original motion, it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the request of Mr. W. H. Denham, for permission to inspect the Sewage works at Barking, be not acceded to, and that Mr. Denham be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. T. Chappell be informed, in reply to his Letter as to his system for treating Sewage-sludge, that the Board will be prepared to receive a statement from him of the result of his works in Ireland, when a sufficient time shall have elapsed to enable him to judge of the utility of his process.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Kimmeridge Carbon Sewage Filter and Manure Company be permitted to make the experiment they propose at the Crossness Pumping Station, for a period not exceeding three months, on condition that the experiment be made entirely at the Company's own cost, and subject to such directions as they may receive from the Board's Superintendent on the spot, and that the Company do leave the ground clear at the end of their experiment, and do not in any way interfere with or impede the Board's operations at the Station, and do also enter into an Agreement to that effect, to be prepared by the Solicitor.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. A. Morten and Mrs. J. Palmer be informed, in reply to their Letters offering to sell to the Board certain lands in Erith-marshes, that the Board are not at present in a position to deal with the offers.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. H. E. O. Fry, Assistant in the Solicitor's Department, be promoted to the Second Class of Officers, at the commencing salary of £150 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. H. T. Strange be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, as a Fourth-class Assistant in the Solicitor's Department, at the commencing salary of £80 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That William Baker, Boiler-house cleaner and Coal trimmer at the Deptford Pumping Station, be employed on

lighter work at the Pumping Station, upon the understanding that the change shall involve no addition to the present staff.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That Mr. F. L. Grosvenor be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, a Fourth-class Assistant in the Clerk's Department, at the commencing Salary of £80 a year.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, and seconded—That the Vestry of Chelsea be informed, in reply to their Letter as to the apportionment of the expenses incurred by them in relation to the Wedlake-street Foot-bridge, that the Board, having been informed that their suggestion has been agreed to by the other two Vestries concerned, do not at the present time propose to take any further steps in the matter.

An amendment thereon was *moved* by Mr. Mossop, and seconded—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Freeman, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter on the subject, received from the Vestry of Chelsea, and notice of which appears on the paper of business, be now read.

The Clerk then read the Letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 23rd June, 1886, stating that their suggestion that the expenses incurred by them in relation to the Bridge should be borne by the Vestries in the following manner, viz.—Chelsea, one-half; Kensington, one-third; and Paddington, one-sixth, had been agreed to by the Vestry of Paddington, but not by the Vestry of Kensington, and asking the Board to determine the proportion of the expenses to be borne by each Vestry.

The amendment by Mr. Mossop was then put to the vote, when there were for it 22, against it 4, and it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an original motion it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved*, seconded, and *resolved*—That the above-mentioned Letter from the Vestry of Chelsea be also referred to the Committee for consideration, in connection with the foregoing reference.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Limehouse District Board be informed, in reply to their Letter stating that complaint had been made to them of the flooding of No. 19, Turner's-road, Limehouse, that two weirs are about to be constructed for the purpose of affording additional relief, and that the works will be put in hand forthwith.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Commissioner of Metropolitan Police be informed, in reply to his suggestion that a substantial rail should be fixed down the middle of every flight of steps leading from the Victoria Embankment to the River, that because of the danger which would be thus occasioned to boats landing and embarking passengers at the steps, the Board regret that they are unable to adopt his suggestion.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. G. Hollis, for permission to erect stabling over a part of the Counter's-creek Sewer passing through ground on the St. Quintin Estate, Oxford-gardens, Notting-hill, be granted, upon condition that Mr. Hollis, or his clients, do enter into the usual Agreement, to be prepared by the Solicitor, reserving to the Board their right of access to the Sewer, as long as may be necessary.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Board do contribute one-half the net cost, estimated at £300, of an Improvement originally proposed by the Fulham District Board, but which is now in the jurisdiction of the Vestry of Fulham, by the widening of a portion of Greyhound-road, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £150, and to be paid to the Vestry of Fulham, on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, and by the Accountant of the net cost of the same, and that the contribution be made subject to the conditions contained in this Board's Standing Order of the 3rd August, 1883 (No. 3), with respect to Loans

granted, or to be granted, for the purposes of Local Improvements, so far as such conditions apply.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Vestry of Hammersmith be informed that the Board, after full enquiry, do not consider it desirable for them to take action with respect to the complaint of alleged nuisance from the discharge of fluids from the Hammersmith Distillery into the Sewer in Chancellor-road, Fulham-road.

9. Mr. Hill, the Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 22nd June, 1886.

On 13th June, 1884, William Winn, a Second-class Fireman, was discharged from the Brigade suffering from ulcers in the right leg to such an extent as to incapacitate him for service. As the Medical Officer was of opinion that the ulcers were due to certain injuries which Winn had sustained whilst on duty, the Board in discharging him resolved that an allowance of 15s. a week should be made to him for one year. In June, 1885, Winn was found to be still suffering from his ulcerated leg, and the allowance was continued for another year. The second year having expired, your Committee have caused him to be examined by Mr. Propert, the senior Medical Officer of the Brigade, who finds little, if any, improvement in him. The leg, he says, is still ulcerated, and he sees little chance of his recovering sufficiently to be enabled to support himself by his own exertions. Your Committee think the best course will be to continue Winn's allowance of 15s. a week for another year, and then to re-consider the case. They recommend—

That the allowance be continued accordingly.

The Chief Officer has reported that J. T. Owen, a coachman attached to the Brigade, has recently died after an illness of some weeks' duration. As Owen had been more than 8 years in the Board's pay as coachman, and had previously worked for the Brigade some years whilst in the employment of one of the persons who supplied the horses, and as he has left a widow without resources, the Chief Officer has asked whether the Board could be recommended to make the widow a small grant of money. Your Committee could not advise the Board to recognise anything in the nature of a claim on the part of the widows or children of the Fire Brigade coachmen, who may die while in the Board's employment, but, in this case, your Committee think that an exception may be made, and they recommend—

That a gratuity of £5 be granted to the widow.

Two Fourth-class Firemen, George A. Connor and Harry E. Rogers, have been reported by the Chief Officer for misconduct, and your Committee recommend—

That they be dismissed.

Your Committee have to report that First-class Fireman Walter Davis, Third-class Firemen John W. Sweetland and George H. Gibbs, and Fourth-class Fireman Frederick King have withdrawn from the service, and that their names have accordingly been removed from the list of Firemen.

Your Committee submit the following recommendations—

That the following promotions be made, viz.:—Second-class Fireman Joseph T. Peters, to the First Class; Third-class Fireman Charles J. McCall, to the Second Class; Fourth-class Firemen John Jones, Jun., Thomas Davies, and Thomas Dovey, to the Third Class.

That William D. Blair, John Miller, Alfred D. Waller, Edwin R. Hipsey, George L. Grantham, John H. Landrey, James Peake and John C. Scott be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) GEORGE HILL,
W. J. WETENHALL,
CHAS. MOSSOP,
AND. MIDDLEMASS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the allowance of 15s. a week, to William Winn, late a Second-class Fireman, be continued for a further period of One year, and that his case be then re-considered.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That a gratuity of £5 be granted to the widow of J. T. Owen, late a Coachman in the Brigade.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the Fire Brigade Working Account.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That Fourth-class Firemen George A Connor and Harry E. Rogers be dismissed for misconduct.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That the following promotions be made, viz.—Second-class Fireman Joseph T. Peters, to the First Class; Third-class Fireman Charles J. McCall, to the Second Class, and Fourth-class Firemen John Jones, Jun., Thomas Davies and Thomas Dovey to the Third Class.

It was *moved* by Mr. Hill, seconded, and *resolved*—That William D. Blair, John Miller, Alfred D. Waller, Edwin R. Hipsey, George L. Grantham, John H. Landrey, James Peake and John C. Scott be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

10. Mr. Ewin, the Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring-gardens, 22nd June, 1886.

Your Committee have to report that the works required by the Board to be done to the Royal Standard Music-hall, at the rear of the Royal Standard Public-house, No. 32, Stockbridge-terrace, Pimlico, as specified in their Minutes of the 6th March, 1885 (No. 15), have been completed; and your Committee recommend—

That the Justices of Middlesex be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have also to report that they have carefully considered the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Cross Keys Music-hall, No. 80, Theobald's-road, Holborn, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878. This is a small Music-hall on the first floor of a Public-house on the North side of Theobald's-road. It is about 30 feet long from front to back, about 29 feet wide between the walls, and 9 feet 9 inches high, and will accommodate from 80 to 100 persons. It is approached by a wooden staircase 3 feet wide, which serves also for access to the upper rooms of the Public-house. The Music-hall is kept open twice a week for musical performances. Having considered the Report and Drawings prepared by your Superintending Architect, your Committee are of opinion that the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That the present staircase to the Music-hall be removed, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place on the site of the yard and a portion of the kitchen at the rear of the house, with a door-way 3 feet 6 inches wide, leading out of Harpur-mews; that such new staircase do have square "solid" (as distinguished from "spandril") steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 3 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than twelve steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 3 feet 6 inches wide and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon

Plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

2.—That the floor of the Music-hall be rendered fire-resisting in a manner to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

3.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be rendered fire-resisting in a similar manner to the floor of the Music-hall.

4.—That the iron columns in the Music-hall be encased in concrete or other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

5.—That the door-way to the Music-hall on the level of the first floor be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches.

6.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards towards the street.

And they recommend—

That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee, be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and to report further to the Board on the subject.

Your Committee beg to submit herewith eight Reports which they have received from your Superintending Architect, specifying certain works which it is necessary should be carried out under Magistrates' Orders at the premises therein mentioned, the same being Dangerous or Neglected Structures, and they recommend—

That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, be instructed to execute the works ordered by the Magistrates to be done at the following premises, viz.—

Dangerous Structures.

No. 7,	Clement's-inn-passage,	St. Clement Danes.
„ 7,	Commodore-place,	Poplar.
„ 11,	Do.	do.
„ 12,	Do.	do.
„ 58,	Waterloo-road,	Lambeth.
„ 60,	„	„
„ 62,	„	„

Neglected Structure.

No. 43, Winchester-street, St. George, Hanover-square.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. G. Jones, on behalf of Captain J. J. P. Fox, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of openings in the party-walls between Nos. 16 and 17, Railway-approach, London Bridge, referred by the Board on the 28th ultimo (No. 70). Your Committee have received a Report by your Solicitor on the application, and, having regard to the opinion expressed by him as to the exceptional circumstances of the case, they have arrived at the conclusion that the subject is one with respect to which it is not desirable to take any action, and they therefore recommend—

That no order be made by the Board in the matter, and that the District Surveyor be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have received from your Solicitor a Report with reference to certain charges made by Mr. A. O. Collard, amounting to Eight guineas, for surveying, making Plans, and attending at the Police-court to give evidence in the cases of “The Board v. Watts,” and “The Board v. Elsdon,” relating to the erection of buildings in Southfields-road and West-hill, Wandsworth. Your Committee recommend—

That a Cheque for £8 8s. be drawn in favour of Mr. A. O. Collard.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. J. Nichols, for the

consent of the Board to the erection of four houses on the East side of Church-lane, Old Charlton, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 78). The applicant has submitted an amended Plan, showing the boundary set back as required, to 20 feet from the centre of the roadway in Church-lane. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that, previously to the commencement of building operations the ground separating the fence-wall in front of the houses from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan, signed by the Chairman of the Committee.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. R. McClymont, on behalf of Mr. Steer, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of Artizans' Dwellings, with paved ways and a yard to lead out of Victory-place, Walworth, referred by the Board on the 7th ultimo (No. 90). The applicant proposes to erect five blocks of dwellings, one of which will front upon Victory-place, and he has submitted an amended Drawing, showing the buildings reduced to the height of four storeys, as suggested by your Committee. The Vestry of Newington do not object to the Plan, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the buildings do not exceed the height shown upon the amended Drawing submitted by the applicant.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. Sutton and Dudley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings on the South-Western side of Penton-place, Walworth, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 73). The applicants propose to pull down the old houses now standing between a building belonging to them in Manor-place, and the corner of Penrose-street, and to build to an advanced line, being an extension of the line of the flank wall of the buildings in Manor-place. They propose to give up to the public a strip of ground, and the Vestry of Newington also intend to give up a piece of land, so as to increase the width of the pathway at this point. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 25th June, 1886, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground coloured Blue, separating the proposed building from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board, and also upon condition that the applicant do satisfy the Solicitor of the Board as to the ownership of all the land required to be given up for the use of the public.

Your Committee have considered the application of Captain L. Grant, for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the construction of a summer-house erected at the end of the garden at the rear of No. 34, Comerford-road, Brockley-road, Lewisham, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 80). The summer-house is constructed of wood, and is placed against the boundary wall of the garden, abutting upon the grounds of the adjoining premises. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. J. Balcombe, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Hall and shops in Pembridge-villas, Bayswater, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 11th instant (No. 72). On the 16th October last, the Board sanctioned the erection of offices upon the site, but the Plans were not carried out. It is now proposed to erect a Hall and shops, with the frontage line extended to the pathway of Chepstow-villas and Pembridge-villas. The Vestry of Kensington and the owners of the adjoining houses object to the application, and your Committee recommend—

That it be not granted.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Mr. F. Chancellor, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of hollow walls in the erection of All Saints' Vicarage, Blackheath, referred by the Board on the 11th instant (No. 84). The Vicarage will be a detached house, standing in an exposed position, and the applicant proposes to construct the external walls with a cavity of 2 inches. The walls in the basement will be solid, but above that height there will be brickwork 9 inches thick, and an inner wall $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches thick, the two being held together by strong iron ties. The height of the building, from the top of the footings to the ceiling of the top-most floor, is 40 feet. Your Committee, having received verbal explanations from the applicant, recommend—

That no Order be made by the Board in the matter, and that the District Surveyor be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have re-considered the application of Messrs. Wheeler and Hollands, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the Clock-house Estate, abutting on Balham-high-road, and Cavendish-road, Clapham, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 28th ultimo (No. 63), and referred back on the 4th instant (No. 12). The Board in July last, approved of the laying out of the Estate and it is now desired that they should sanction the building lines in Balham-high-road and Cavendish-road, which will be set back 20 feet and 15 feet respectively from the public way. The Wandsworth District Board offer no opposition to the proposal, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from the 25th June, 1886, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have had under consideration the application of Mr. J. Turner, District Surveyor for the District of East Islington, for the consent of the Board to the appointment by him of his son, Mr. John Goldicutt Turner, as his Deputy, for a further period, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 67). Mr. J. G. Turner has, with the consent of the Board, been acting as Deputy District Surveyor since January, 1876, and your Superintending Architect reports that the business of the District is satisfactorily conducted. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, for a further period of Six months, from the 25th June, 1886.

Your Committee have considered the application of Mr. W. G. Watts, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a pent roof in front of No. 72, Blackheath-road, Greenwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 69). The house has been recently converted into a shop, and the forecourt has been paved and opened to the public. It is proposed to erect over part of the forecourt a pent roof projecting 11 feet 3 inches, covered with zinc, and supported upon wooden posts. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. A. J. Bolton, on behalf of Mr. W. Prout, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops on the South side of Alexander-road, Holloway-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 72). Two private houses and two shops are to be erected to the line of the existing houses on the South side of the road, and the remainder to a line set back two feet from the public way. Your Committee concur with your Superintending Architect in considering the Plan objectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have had before them the application of Mr. J. Murgitroyd, for the

consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of Nos. 69 and 69A, Usher-road, Bow, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 74). The applicant proposes to extend the premises by erecting a one-storey shop upon the forecourt, projecting 5 feet 8 inches beyond the general line of houses. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have had under consideration the application of Mr. E. Worssam, on behalf of the Lordship-road Lawn Tennis Club, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron pavilion erected at the rear of houses in Lordship-road, Stoke Newington, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 79). In May, 1883, the Board sanctioned the pavilion, as a temporary structure, for a period of three years, and a renewal of the License is now applied for. The District Surveyor reports that the building is structurally sound, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted for a period of Three years, from the 25th June, 1886, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. F. Eggar, on behalf of Mr. G. L. P. Eyre, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 79 and 81, Goldhawk-road, Shepherd's-bush, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the applications, referred by the Board on the 11th instant (No. 70). The Board, on the 21st ultimo, declined to sanction the extension of the premises in the manner then proposed. A Plan similar to that which is now submitted was refused by the Board in February, 1882, and your Superintending Architect is of opinion that the Board's consent should still be withheld. Your Committee, concurring in that view, recommend—

That the application be not granted.

The Board, on the 11th instant (No. 71), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. T. E. Cole, for the consent of the Board to the erection of three houses on the North side of Eden-grove, Holloway-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. It is intended to erect houses on land situated between Nos. 32 and 34 in Eden-grove, to the line of the houses to the West, and about 4 feet in advance of those to the East. The Plan submitted is incorrectly prepared, and your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from the Plumstead District Board, relative to the erection of a Conservatory in Tranquil-vale, Blackheath, adjoining the Blackheath Railway Station, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings, referred by the Board on the 11th instant (No. 75). The building measures about 17 feet in length by about 12 feet wide, and is intended to be erected upon a wooden platform over part of the Railway cutting. Your Committee are of opinion that, having regard to the line of the existing buildings, there is no necessity for the Board to interfere, and they recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter, and that the District Board be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the Notice from Mr. J. Harverson, of his intention to form an extension of Halidon-street, Urswick-road, Hackney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying such Notice, referred by the Board on the 11th instant (No. 78). The proposed extension is of the full width of 40 feet, and the gradient appears to be satisfactory. Your Committee recommend—

That the Plan be approved, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the new road, and that the name "Halidon-street, E." (in continuation), be approved for the same.

The Board, on the 11th instant (No. 80), referred to your Committee the application of Mr. J. O. Cook, for approval by the Board of the formation and name of a road to lead out of the East side of Cage-lane, Plumstead. The gradient of the proposed road is steep, being for the greater part of its length 1 in 12, and it is not proposed to give the necessary width to Cage-lane along the frontage of the Estate. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have considered the Letter from Mr. T. E. Knightley, District Surveyor, relative to the erection of buildings by Messrs. Carter, Paterson, and Co., in Glenthorne-road, Hammersmith, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings in that road, referred by the Board on the 11th instant (No. 69). Glenthorne-road has recently been widened at this point, at the joint expense of the Board and the Vestry of Hammersmith, and Messrs. Carter, Paterson and Co. are erecting an extensive block of buildings on the South side of the road. Your Committee do not think it desirable that the Board should take any proceedings in the case, and they recommend accordingly, and that Mr. Knightley be so informed.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) A. EWIN,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
SAM^L. PRICE,
JOHN RUNTZ,
DONALD MUNRO,
W. R. SELWAY.

The Report having been read and received,

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Justices of Middlesex be informed that the works required by the Board to be done to the Royal Standard Music-hall, at the rear of the “Royal Standard” Public-house, No. 32, Stockbridge-terrace, Pimlico, have been completed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the present arrangements for the egress of the public from, and the prevention of fire in, the Cross Keys Music-hall, No. 80, Theobald’s-road, Holborn, and the improvements which it is desirable to effect in the same, under the provisions of the Act of 1878, be approved, and that in the opinion of the Board the following alterations, of a structural character, are necessary to remedy existing defects in the building—

1.—That the present staircase to the Music-hall be removed, and that a new staircase be constructed in its place on the site of the yard and a portion of the kitchen at the rear of the house, with a door-way 3 feet 6 inches wide leading out of Harpur-mews; that such new staircase do have square “solid” (as distinguished from “spandril”) steps of York or other approved stone, with 11-inch treads and 6-inch risers, 3 feet 6 inches wide in the clear, in flights of not more than twelve steps, with the necessary intermediate landings; that the steps be supported at both ends, and that the several flights be enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that the landings of such staircase be formed of similar materials to the steps, and be 3 feet 6 inches wide and 6 inches thick, in one stone, supported and enclosed upon all sides by brick walls not less than 9 inches thick; that such landings be square upon plan, and do have brick arches, 9 inches deep, in two rims, turned under them, in the middle of such landings; and that such staircase do have a roof formed of brick arches, 9 inches thick, in two half-brick rims, or constructed of other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

2.—That the floor of the Music-hall be rendered fire-resisting in a manner to be approved by the Board, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

3.—That the floors of the rooms on the second floor of the Public-house be rendered fire-resisting in a similar manner to the floor of the Music-hall.

4.—That the iron columns in the Music-hall be encased in concrete or other fire-resisting materials to be approved by the Board.

5.—That the door-way to the Music-hall on the level of the first floor be increased in width to 4 feet 6 inches.

6.—That all doors used by the public be made to open outwards towards the street.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That a Draft Notice, embodying the above requirements, be prepared by the Solicitor; that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of such Notice to the Owner, with an intimation that he may submit to the Board any observations thereon; and that the Building Act Committee be authorised to confer, either directly or through their Sub-Committee, with the Owner upon the Board's Requisitions, and that the Committee do report further to the Board on the subject.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 7, Clement's-inn-passage, St. Clement Danes, had failed to comply with the Order made by James Vaughan, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Bow-street Police-court, on the 18th day of May last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

~~Resolve~~, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and ~~ordered~~, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down all the loose and defective portions of the roof timbers, tiling, &c., of the Structure, No. 7, Clement's-inn-passage, St. Clement Danes, and also such portions of the front wall as are bulged, defective, and out of upright.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 7, Commodore-place, Poplar, had failed to comply with the Order made by Franklin Lushington, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Thames Police-court, on the 1st day of January last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

~~Resolve~~, and it is hereby ~~resolved~~ and ~~ordered~~, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the brickwork of the wash-house and water-closet of the Structure, No. 7, Commodore-place, Poplar.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 11, Commodore-place, Poplar, had failed to comply with the Order made by Franklin Lushington, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Thames Police-court, on the 1st day of January last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the brickwork of the wash-house and water-closet of the Structure No. 11, Commodore-place, Poplar.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 12, Commodore-place, Poplar, had failed to comply with the Order made by Franklin Lushington, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Thames Police-court, on the 1st day of January last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the brickwork of the back chimney-stack, and of the wash-house and water-closet of the Structure, No. 12, Commodore-place, Poplar.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure No. 58, Waterloo-road, Lambeth, had failed to comply with the Order made by Wyndham Slade, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Southwark Police-court, on the 19th day of April last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to repair the arch under the front area of the Structure, No. 58, Waterloo-road, Lambeth.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 60, Waterloo-road, Lambeth, had failed to comply with the Order made by Wyndham Slade, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Southwark Police-court, on the 19th day of April last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to repair the arch under the front area of No. 60, Waterloo-road, Lambeth.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the owner of the Structure, No. 62, Waterloo-road, Lambeth, had failed to comply with the Order made by Wyndham Slade, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Southwark Police-court, on the 19th day of April last, for the removal of the dangerous portions of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolitan Building Act, 1869,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to take down the arch under the front area of the Structure, No. 62, Waterloo-road, Lambeth.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 22nd day of June, 1886, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, and it being made to appear to the Board that the Owner of the Structure, No. 43, Winchester-street, St. George, Hanover-square, had failed to comply with the Order made by William Partridge, Esquire, one of the Magistrates of the Police-courts of the Metropolis, sitting at the Westminster Police-court, on the 8th day of April last, for the repair of such Structure, this Board do, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1882,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Ewin—That the Contractors, Messrs. Brass and Son, of No. 47, Old-street, St. Luke's, be instructed, and they are hereby authorised to re-build the back wall of the Structure, No. 43, Winchester-street, St. George, Hanover-square.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That no Order be made by the Board with reference to the application of Mr. J. G. Jones, on behalf of Captain J. J. P. Fox, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of openings in the party-walls between Nos. 16 and 17, Railway-approach, London Bridge, and that the District Surveyor be informed accordingly.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Shepherd, and seconded—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That a Cheque for £8 8s. be drawn in favour of Mr. A. O. Collard, in respect of his professional charges in the cases of "The Board v. Watts," and "The Board v. Elsdon," relating to the erection of buildings in Southfields-road and West-hill, Wandsworth.

A Cheque was thereupon drawn on the General Working Account.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. W. J. Nichols, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses on the East side of Church-lane, Old Charlton, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground separating the fence-wall in front of the houses from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the amended Plan, signed by the Chairman of the Committee.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Mr. R. McClymont, on behalf of Mr. Steer, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of Artizans' Dwellings, with paved ways and a yard to lead out of Victory-place, Walworth, be granted, upon condition that the buildings do not exceed the height shown upon the amended Drawing submitted by the applicant.

It was **moved** by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and **resolved**—That the application of Messrs. Sutton and Dudley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings on the South-Western side of Penton-place, Walworth, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground coloured Blue, separating the proposed buildings from the public way be given up and added to such public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board, and that the applicants do satisfy the Solicitor of the Board as to the ownership of all the land required to be given up for the use of the public.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Captain L. Grant, for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the construction of a summer-house erected at the end of the garden at the rear of No. 34, Comerford-road, Brockley-road, Lewisham, be granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Balcombe, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Hall and shops in Pembroke-villas, Bayswater, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no Order be made by the Board with reference to the application of Mr. F. Chancellor, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of hollow walls in the erection of All Saints' Vicarage, at Blackheath, and that the District Surveyor be informed accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Messrs. Wheeler and Hollands, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses on the Clock-house Estate, abutting on Balham-high-road, and Cavendish-road, Clapham, to the lines shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, upon condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, in other respects, the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Turner, District Surveyor for the District of East Islington, for the consent of the Board to the appointment by him of his son, Mr. John Goldicutt Turner, as his Deputy, for a further period, be granted, and that the Board do consent to the appointment for a period of Six months from this date.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. W. G. Watts, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a pent roof, in front of No. 72, Blackheath-road, Greenwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. A. J. Bolton, on behalf of Mr. W. Prout, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops on the South side of Alexander-road, Holloway-road, Islington, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. J. Murgitroyd, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of Nos. 69 and 69A, Usher-road, Bow, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. E. Worssam, on behalf of the Lordship-road Lawn Tennis Club, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron pavilion erected at the rear of houses in Lordship-road, Stoke Newington, be granted for a period of Three years, from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. F. Eggar, on behalf of Mr. G. L. P. Eyre, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 79 and 81, Goldhawk-road, Shepherd's-bush, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application of Mr. T. E. Cole, for the consent of the Board to the erection of three houses on the

North side of Eden-grove, Holloway-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be not granted.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from the Plumstead District Board, as to the erection of a projecting conservatory at Tranquil-vale, Plumstead, adjoining the Blackheath Railway Station, and that the District Board be so informed.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Plan accompanying the notice from Mr. J. Harverson, of his intention to form an extension of Halidon-street, Urswick-road, Hackney, be approved, upon condition that no barriers be at any time erected, or other obstructions caused to the free use by the public of the new road, and that the name “Halidon-street, E.” (in continuation), be approved for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, and seconded—That the application of Mr. J. O. Cook, on behalf of Mr. H. Lawson, for approval by the Board of the formation and name of a new road to lead out of the East side of Cage-lane, Plumstead, be not granted.

An *amendment* thereon was *moved* by Mr. Jolly, and seconded by Mr. Fowler—That the application be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the application shall be considered.

The *amendment* having been put to the vote, it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and, having been put as an *original motion*, it was also carried; and it was *resolved* accordingly.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That no action be taken with reference to the Letter from Mr. T. E. Knightley, District Surveyor, as to the erection of buildings by Messrs. Carter, Paterson and Co., in Glenthorne-road, Hammersmith, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings in that road, and that Mr. Knightley be so informed.

11. The Board considered further the Report of the Parliamentary Committee, presented on the 21st May last (No. 11), recommending the Board to withdraw that part of their Fire Brigade Expenses Bill by which it is proposed to increase the Fire Insurance Companies' contributions.

The Clerk laid before the Board a Letter from the Vestry of Clerkenwell, dated 18th June, 1886, expressing their opinion that any increase of funds necessary for the Fire Brigade should be borne by the Insurance Companies.

It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and *resolved*—That the Report of the Committee and the Letter from the Vestry of Clerkenwell be received.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 25th June, 1886, on the undermentioned Sewerage work proposed to be executed by the Vestry of St. Marylebone—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			REMARK.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
Upper Montagu - street and Castle-street East	840	5' 0" × 3' 0"	1 brick	Recommended as applied for.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Vestry of St. Marylebone be permitted to construct and execute the work in the manner therein recommended.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 25th June, 1886, on an application from the Hackney District Board, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfare for the periods and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1886. 21st June	Mare - street, from the North side of the Town-hall to Graham-road	Re - constructing Tramways	1 week	1 week	Grove-lane, Casterton-street, &c.
	Mare - street, from Amhurst-road to Dalston-lane	do.	2 weeks	2 weeks	Amhurst - road and Dalston-lane.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the Hackney District Board, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works respectively.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 25th June, 1886, submitting, in compliance with the Standing Order of the Board of the 17th April, 1868 (No. 14), Reports with reference to the present condition of the works of the several Bridges in course of construction, or recently completed, by the London and South-Western, the London, Tilbury and Southend, and the Great Northern Railway Companies respectively.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Reports be received.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1886, on a Letter from the Secretary of the Working Men's Lord's Day Rest Association, relative to a Letter addressed to the "Holloway and Hornsey Press," as to the Board's Sewerage works being carried on during Sunday evenings in the Holloway-road; stating that it appeared that the workmen started working in the tunnel at about eight o'clock on Sunday evenings; and that the Contractor (Mr. Rigby) had been communicated with upon the matter; submitting his reply, to the effect that if the men did not commence on the Sunday evening, the whole of Monday would be lost to them, and that the works would have to stand until the Monday evening, thereby delaying the completion, and entailing a heavy monetary loss on the men; and further stating that Mr. Rigby had been instructed not to commence working before ten o'clock on Sunday night.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Association be informed accordingly.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1886, on a Letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, as to complaints made to them of effluvia arising from the side-entrance, when open, to the Sewer opposite Nos. 39 and 40, Grange-road, and suggesting that the entrance should be removed a few yards Westward; stating that the side-entrance referred to was 25 feet 7 inches distant from the front of the complainants' houses, and that as a rule it was only open for use once a year; that it would cost from £30 to £40 to make a new one at the site suggested by the Vestry, and that it did not appear to him necessary to incur that expense.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved and that a reply in accordance therewith be sent to the Vestry.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1886, on a Letter from the Churchwardens of St. Saviour's, Aberdeen-park, Highbury, relative to cracks in the walls of the Church, alleged to be due to the execution of the Board's Sewerage works in the vicinity of the building; stating that he had caused an examination to be made in company with the Vicar and the Contractor's Agent; that no new cracks had been

found, and that the old ones were of a very slight nature, and not such as need cause any anxiety, and that the Vicar had also expressed himself of that opinion.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be received.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1886, stating that Mr. J. McDougall, Surveyor in his Department, was still unable to attend to his duties, in consequence of illness, and recommending that he should be granted further leave of absence for a month, and submitting a Medical Certificate as to his state of health.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That one month's further leave of absence be granted to Mr. McDougall.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 25th June, 1886, stating that the following quantities of Coal and Stores were required for use at the undermentioned Pumping Stations—

<i>Western Station.</i>				ESTIMATE.
80 Tons of Welsh Coal	...	...	...	£72 6 8
80 Tons of Tanfield-moor Coal...	...	...	...	56 6 8
<i>Abbey Mills Station.</i>				
28 Tons of Wallsend Coal	...	...	...	25 6 4
(The periodical allowance to the Staff).				
<i>Crossness Station.</i>				
18 cwt. of Russian Tallow	...	...	...	33 15 -
<i>Deptford Station.</i>				
15 cwt. of Block Boiler Composition	...	...	...	27 - -
Total				<u>£214 14 8</u>

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the Coal and Stores be obtained accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 25th June, 1886, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contract—

<i>Crossness Pumping Station.</i>				ESTIMATE.
Repairs to brass bearings and bushes of Beam Engines				200 - -
Executing painter's work in Engine-room	...			80 - -
<i>Boundary Sewer.</i>				
Repairs to Sewer at rear of houses in Beckway-street, Old Kent-road	...	...	...	50 - -
Total				<u>£330 - -</u>

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Working Account of the Board.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1886, on a Letter from Messrs. Warburton and De Paula, on behalf of Mr. J. Godden, complaining of obstruction and nuisance caused by the execution of the Board's Sewerage works in front and at the side of his residence, No. 29, Leigh-road, Highbury; stating that a copy of the Letter had been sent to the Contractor (Mr. Rigby), with a request that he would do all he could to get his works completed at that point; submitting his reply, and further stating that the works had been very much delayed owing to the occurrence of gravelly and sandy strata, largely charged with water; that it was to the interest of the Contractor to expedite the works, but that he was obliged to proceed with great caution, as the risk

in such strata was very considerable; and recommending that Messrs. Warburton and De Paula should be informed to the effect of the Report.

It was ~~moved~~ by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and ~~resolved~~—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

22. The Solicitor reported that the undermentioned Bills had been practically dropped—

The Board's Fire Brigade Expenses Bill,
Do. do. Theatres, &c., Bill,
Theatres, &c., Bill (Mr. Dixon-Hartland's),
Fire Brigade Expenses (Mr. Kimber's),
Do. do. (No. 2) (Col. Hughes'),
Fires Prevention (Metropolis) (Mr. Spensley's) Bill,
Sanitary Registration of Buildings Bill,

and that the undermentioned Bills had been withdrawn—

Horse Guards avenue,
West London Electric Lighting.

23. The Solicitor reported that the Board's (Various Powers) Bill and their Money Bill would probably receive the Royal Assent this afternoon.

24. The Solicitor reported that the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Bill was awaiting the Royal Assent.

25. The Solicitor reported that the Electric Lighting Order Confirmation Bill (Chelsea Order) would not be further proceeded with this Session.

26. The Solicitor reported that three weeks since the Select Committee of the House of Lords had decided that Clause 1 of the Hyde-park-corner (new streets) Bill, should be struck out, thus rejecting the decision of the House of Commons that the cost of maintaining the roads should be borne in equal proportions by the Board and the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square; that the consideration of the Bill had been then adjourned for nearly three weeks, while the Committee were considering the Oldham Corporation Bill; that yesterday they had resumed the consideration of the Hyde-park-corner Bill, when Mr. Bidder had, on behalf of the Office of Works, &c., urged that it should be referred to an Arbitrator, to be named in the Bill, to determine whether the expense of repairing and maintaining the roads should be borne by the Board and the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, or by one of them, or in what proportions, and that Mr. Pope, the Counsel for the Board, had objected to that arrangement on the ground that the Metropolis generally should not bear any portion of the cost, and moreover that the Office of Works should bring forward some definite proposition, and not ask the Committee to delegate its functions to an Arbitrator; that after clearing the room the Committee had announced that they considered sufficient evidence had not been given by the Promoters to justify the proposed alteration of the Bill, and that the Committee had then adjourned, and that the Bill had become practically dropped.

27. The Solicitor reported that the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment (No. 3) Bill (Lord Houghton) had reached the third reading in the House of Lords, but that Lord Houghton had stated that the Government would not press the third reading.

28. The Solicitor reported that the Lee River Purification Bill had been referred to Viscount Barrington's Committee, on the opposition of a land owner, Mr. Button; that the Board did not appear; that the opposition of Mr. Button had been unsuccessful, and that the Bill had passed through the remaining stages, and would probably receive the Royal Assent this afternoon.

29. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Report from the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the River Lee, and stated that the Report recommended that a Committee should be appointed on the assembling of the next Parliament, to consider their

Report on the evidence already taken, and if desirable to take further evidence, and he also presented a copy of the evidence taken on the 11th June, and of certain papers handed in to the Committee.

30. The Solicitor reported that the Chairman had, in reply to a question asked by Mr. W. H. Smith, in the House of Commons, with respect to the closing of Hemming's-row, stated that on enquiry he found that there was almost a certainty that the thoroughfare would be open on the 28th instant.
31. The Solicitor presented a printed copy of the scheme for the adjustment of the property, &c., of the West Ham Local Board of Health, and the School Boards of West Ham and Wanstead, and for other purposes, as published in the *London Gazette*, in connection with the Charter of Incorporation of West Ham.
32. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Contract with Mr. E. H. Bayley for the supply and maintenance of Fire Escapes and Watch Boxes for three years from 1st June, 1886.

Contract with Mr. E. H. Bayley for the supply and repair of wheels and other parts of the carriages of Fire Engines for three years from 1st June, 1886.

Contract with Messrs. Brangwin and Co. (Limited), for the supply and fixing of 48 seats on Highbury-fields.

Appointment of Mr. Vulliamy as valuer in the matter of a claim by J. Nugent and J. F. Nugent in respect of the premises No. 162, Upper-street, Islington (Upper-street, Islington, Improvement).

Conveyance by the New Westminster Brewery Company (Limited) of leasehold interest in the premises known as the "Atlas" Beerhouse, No. 37, Green-street, Bethnal-green, and a Memorial for the registration of the same (Green-street, Bethnal-green Improvement).

Appointment of Mr. Vulliamy as valuer in the matter of a claim by Mr. J. J. Brown in respect of a leasehold interest in No. 25, Green-street, Bethnal-green (Green-street, Bethnal-green, Improvement).

Contract with Mr. C. Christopherson (trading as C. Christopherson and Co.), for the supply and delivery of 250 Tons of Manganate of Soda.

License, in duplicate, to Mr. M. McShehan, to assign to the Kensington Permanent Benefit Building Society, by way of Mortgage, his Agreement for a Lease of Plots Nos. 20 to 28, Kentish-town-road (Kentish-town-road Improvement).

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

33. The Solicitor reported that the Seal of the Board had been affixed at the Meeting of the Works and General Purposes Committee on the 21st instant to the Plans and the Contract with Messrs. Williams, Son and Wallington, for the erection of the new Bridge at Battersea, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board passed on the 4th instant, and duly confirmed on the 11th instant.
34. The Solicitor reported that the arrangement as to the undermentioned Loan had been duly completed, and that the Cheque had been handed over in exchange for the proper security—

				AMOUNT OF LOAN.
Hampstead Vestry	...	...	...	£1,300

35. The Solicitor presented a Report on the result of enquiries as to the responsibility of Mr. J. J. Wright to carry out his Tender for renting the Board's land at Abbey Mills Pumping Station.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

36. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 11th instant (No. 3) for the re-naming, &c., of the following thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Hindman's-road, &c.	...	...	...	Camberwell
Winchester-street, &c.	..	...	...	Clerkenwell and Islington
Shepherd's-lane, &c.	...	...	...	Lambeth
Maple-road, &c., Penge	...	...	...	Lewisham
Waldegrave-road, &c. Penge	...	...	...	Lewisham
Clifton-road, &c.	...	...	...	Paddington
Milton-street	...	...	...	St. Marylebone
Burying-ground-passage	...	...	...	St. Marylebone.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

37. It was *moved* by Mr. Selway, seconded, and *resolved*—That the motion by Mr. Fowler, notice of which appears in the paper of business, be now considered.

It was thereupon *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Selway, and *resolved*—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to consider and report to the Board as to the appointment of the several Committees for the ensuing year, and the Members to serve thereon.

38. The Clerk presented a Letter from Sir R. E. Welby, Treasury, dated 16th June, 1886, containing observations upon the Board's Money Bill for this year, and stating that the Bill had already been introduced into the House of Commons.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

39. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. W. Preston, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Luke, dated 19th June, 1886, stating that the Vestry concurred in the opinions expressed by the Vestry of Clerkenwell and the Poplar District Board, that in the event of the extension of the Coal and Wine Duties being authorised, they should be applied for the purpose of providing further Open Spaces, as well as for providing further means of transit across the Thames East of London Bridge.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

40. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. H. Atkins, Clerk to the St. Saviour's District Board, dated 19th June, 1886, transmitting a Plan showing an Improvement proposed to be effected by an exchange, with Messrs. Armstrong and Co., of land in Bear-lane, Southwark-street, and requesting this Board to contribute a moiety of the cost of the Improvement.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

41. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. H. G. Hills, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 11th June, 1886, transmitting a copy of a Report of the Surveyor to the District Board, on the floodings of houses in Battersea during the 12th, 13th, 22nd 23rd and 24th ultimo, and asking the Board to cause the Relief Sewer works to be pressed forward with as little delay as possible.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

42. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. P. Cockburn, Clerk to the Vestry of Hammersmith, dated 18th June, 1886, relative to the flooding of basements of premises in various parts of the Parish on the 22nd, 23d and 24th ultimo, and expressing the opinion of the Vestry that the Main Sewers were not of sufficient size to relieve the Local Sewers in the event of a very heavy rainfall.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to the Committee thereon.

43. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. J. and J. Blott and Co., dated 9th June, 1886, asking for payment of their Account £13 11s. 6d., for Alum clay, supplied to the Crossness Pumping Station.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Chemist do report to the Committee thereon.

44. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington.

Offices—Town-hall,

Kensington High-street, W.,

19th June, 1886.

SIR,—I am instructed by the Vestry of Kensington to acquaint you that the widening and improving the public thoroughfare known as Pottery-lane, Notting-hill, has now been completed, the net cost thereof being £12,436 2s. 8d., and to request that you will have the goodness to bring the matter before the Metropolitan Board of Works, with a view to their contributing towards the cost of the above Improvement, in accordance with your Letter of the 5th July, 1884.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) GEO. C. HARDING,

Clerk to the Vestry.

The Clerk,

Metropolitan Board of Works,

Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

45. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Jebb, Clerk to the Metropolitan Asylums Board, dated 11th June, 1886, stating that in consequence of the decision on appeal, the totals of the Gross and Ratable Values of the Valuation List of the under-mentioned Parishes had been altered as follows—

PARISH OR UNION.					GROSS VALUE.	RATABLE VALUE.
					£ s. d.	£ s. s.
Stepney Union—						
St. Paul, Shadwell...	...	...	...	...	61,345 0 0	47,992 0 0
St. John, Wapping	...	...	...	...	70,583 0 0	56,894 0 0
St. Saviour's Union—						
Christ Church	...	...	...	...	126,142 0 0	104,606 0 0
St. George-the-Martyr	...	...	...	...	326,343 1 0	263,501 0 0
St. Mary, Newington	...	...	...	...	556,858 0 0	450,710 0 0
St. Saviour's, Southwark	...	...	...	...	270,288 0 0	221,511 0 0

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee and the Accountant.

46. The Clerk presented Letters from Colonel Church, Colonel commanding the 3rd Middlesex Rifle Volunteers, dated 9th and 13th June, 1886, asking permission to drill mounted infantry on Hampstead-heath.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letters be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration and report.

47. The Clerk presented a Letter signed by Secretaries and Captains of various Cricket Clubs playing on Clapham-common, requesting that the Parks, Commons and Open Spaces Committee might be allowed to receive a Deputation from the Clubs, on the subject of the condition of that portion of the Common where Cricket is played.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration, with authority to receive the proposed Deputation.

48. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. A. Brandreth, on behalf of the National Hippodrome Company, dated 11th June, 1886, asking for the sanction of the Board to certain deviations in the Plans, already approved by them, for the proposed National Hippodrome at Dalston Junction, Kingsland-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

49. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. J. Harrison, Clerk and Solicitor to the Vestry of Bermondsey, dated 21st June, 1886, expressing the regret of the Vestry at the decision of the Board not to apply to Parliament for an extension of time for the widening of Jamaica-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be received.

50. The Clerk presented a Letter from Messrs. Baker and Nairne, dated 21st June, 1886, applying under the provisions of the Bridges, &c. Act, 1883, on behalf of Mr. Harry Hooper, Surveyor, and Mr. Perceval Alleyne Nairne, the Clerk of the Poplar and Greenwich Ferry Company, for grants of compensation for the abolition of their offices.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

51. The Clerk presented a copy Report by the Water Examiner, appointed by the Board of Trade, of the examination made by him of the Water supplied by the several Metropolitan Water Companies during the month of May last.

52. Mr. Deputy Saunders handed in a Letter, as follows—

London, Sewers' Office, Guildhall,
19th May, 1886.

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—In continuation of the Improvement in Upper Thames-street, which the Commissioners of Sewers, with the assistance of your Honourable Board, have been gradually effecting as opportunities occurred, I am directed to inform you that the Commissioners have arranged that when the premises No. 216, Upper Thames-street are re-built, which is likely to be before long, they shall be set back as shown by the Red tint upon the accompanying Plan.

The cost of this has been settled at £300, independent of any professional expenses, and the Commissioners rely that your Honourable Board will, as in the previous cases of Improvement in this important thoroughfare, contribute towards the said expense.

I have, &c.
(Signed) H^Y. BLAKE,
Principal Clerk.

The Plan referred to was laid before the Board.

It was *moved* by Mr. Deputy Saunders, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter and Plan be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

53. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. W. F. Dewey, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 23rd June, 1886, asking, in connection with certain Improvements which the Vestry were about to effect on the West side of Highbury-grove, abutting upon

Highbury-fields, that the Board would so fix the iron fence, which the Vestry understood was proposed to be erected, as to permit of a foot-way being formed, of a width of 5 feet 6 inches, or thereabouts, without materially interfering with the existing carriage-way.

It was *moved* by Mr. Bradfield, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

54. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. F. J. Bird, dated 24th June, 1886, complaining of the action taken by Mr. G. Legg, District Surveyor, with reference to a greenhouse erected in the garden at No. 18, Rectory-road, Stoke Newington.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

55. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. L. Vickers, dated 24th June, 1886, stating that the London Street Tramways Company were laying their lines in Farringdon-road, and were making preparations to continue them along King's-cross-road, without having completed the Improvements in the road, which they had agreed to do before commencing to lay down their rails.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

56. The Clerk presented a Letter from Sir R. E. Welby, Treasury, dated 24th June, 1886, stating that Mr. A. R. Pennefather had been appointed Auditor of the Board's Accounts for the year 1886.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Finance Committee.

57. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. T. E. Knightley, District Surveyor, dated 24th June, 1886, reporting the result of a Summons taken out by him against Mr. Harris, a builder, for using, as a damp-course, jute fabric with a thin layer of bitumen on each side, in the erection of a building, and asking the Board to prohibit the use of all damp-courses containing vegetable fibre.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

58. The Clerk presented a Letter, as follows—

School Board for London,
Victoria Embankment, W.C.
24th June, 1886.

LOAN £35,782.

SIR,—I am directed by the School Board for London to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works, and to ask that, having regard to Section 58 of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, they will advance to the School Board for London a further sum of £35,782, viz., £34,000 on account of the extension of the Board Offices, and £1,782 on account of the erection of the West Lambeth Divisional Offices, the re-payment to be spread over a period of 50 years.

I beg leave to forward an extract from the Minutes of the Board at which the Resolution to borrow the money was passed.

I also beg leave to forward the consent of the Education Department, authorising the Board to borrow the money.

The Board propose to take up the money at as early a period as possible.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) G. H. CROAD,
Clerk of the Board.

J. E. Wakefield, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was *moved* by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Letter be referred to

the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor and the Accountant do report to the Committee thereon.

59. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. G. W. Lakeman, Secretary of the River Thames Steam Boat Company, dated 24th June, 1886, expressing the regret of the Company that the Board were unable to assist them in the erection of a jetty in substitution for the old pier at Hammersmith, and asking if there was any site suitable for a new pier, within the limits of deviation shown on the Plans, authorised by the Bridges Act of 1883, with respect to Hammersmith Bridge.

It was moved by Mr. Fowler, seconded, and resolved—That the said Letter be referred to the Bridges Committee for consideration, with authority to send a reply thereto.

60. The Chemist laid before the Board his Returns of the Testings made at the Gas testing Stations during the weeks ended on the 15th and 22nd instant, as follows—

Company.	District.	Illuminating power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.2	16.6	16.9	10.2	9.6	9.9	0.4	0.0	0.2	None
	Camden ...	17.2	16.6	16.9	9.9	8.1	9.4	0.2	0.1	0.2	"
	Dalston ...	16.9	16.4	16.6	11.5	10.7	11.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Bow ...	17.4	16.6	17.0	9.2	7.0	8.1	2.6	1.6	1.9	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.6	16.3	16.5	12.8	11.2	11.8	0.3	0.0	0.2	"
	„ (Nine-elms) ...	16.9	16.4	16.7	12.7	12.6	12.6	0.3	0.2	0.2	"
	Kingsland-road ...	16.9	16.6	16.8	12.4	8.4	10.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Charing-cross (48-in. Main) ...	17.6	16.8	17.3	8.7	8.2	8.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	"
	Do. (District Main) ...	17.1	17.1	17.1	8.2	8.2	8.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	"
	St. John's-wood ...	17.5	17.0	17.3	11.2	8.7	9.6	0.6	0.2	0.5	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Lambeth ...	16.8	16.4	16.6	11.8	10.1	10.9	0.1	0.0	0.1	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Station closed for repairs									
	Peckham ...	17.0	16.8	16.9	11.7	8.5	10.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Tooley-street ...	16.7	16.4	16.5	12.8	10.8	11.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Clapham ...	16.6	16.1	16.4	14.5	11.1	13.1	0.7	0.0	0.4	"
	Lewisham ...	16.3	16.0	16.2	8.4	6.6	7.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Old Ford ...	17.3	17.1	17.2	11.5	8.9	9.7	0.4	0.0	0.1	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	17.2	16.3	16.8	11.8	5.6	9.1	0.4	0.1	0.3	"

Company.	District.	Illuminating Power. (In Standard Sperm Candles.)			Sulphur. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Ammonia. (Grains in 100 cubic feet of Gas.)			Sulphuretted Hydrogen.
		Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	
Gas Light and Coke Company ...	Notting-hill ...	17.2	16.7	16.9	10.8	8.6	9.7	0.4	0.0	0.1	None.
	Camden ...	16.9	16.3	16.6	10.0	8.0	8.8	0.2	0.1	0.2	"
	Dalston ...	16.6	16.3	16.5	11.6	9.1	10.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	"
	Bow ...	17.0	16.1	16.7	8.3	6.4	7.4	2.0	1.4	1.7	"
	Chelsea (Fulham) ...	16.7	16.4	16.6	10.9	10.7	10.8	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	„ (Nine-elms) ...	16.5	16.4	16.5	13.0	10.7	11.9	0.4	0.3	0.3	"
	Kingsland-road ...	16.9	16.0	16.5	12.7	8.8	10.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	"
	Charing-cross (48-inch Main) ...	16.5	16.2	16.4	8.3	8.0	8.1	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	Charing-cross (District Main) ...	16.9	16.7	16.8	8.6	8.0	8.3	0.4	0.2	0.3	"
	St. John's-wood ...	17.5	16.8	17.0	9.4	7.5	8.7	0.8	0.3	0.5	"
South Metropolitan Gas Company ...	Lambeth-road ...	16.7	16.3	16.5	15.0	8.4	11.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	"
	Westminster (Cannel Gas) ...	Under repair.									
	Peckham ...	16.7	16.7	16.7	11.9	6.1	8.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	"
	Tooley-street ...	16.6	15.8	16.3	14.3	9.1	11.7	0.4	0.1	0.2	"
Commercial Gas Com- pany ...	Clapham ...	16.7	16.2	16.4	12.5	9.4	11.5	0.3	0.0	0.1	"
	Lewisham ...	16.6	16.0	16.2	9.2	5.6	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	"
	Old Ford ...	17.3	16.6	17.0	10.3	7.2	8.6	0.4	0.0	0.2	"
	St. George-in-the- East ...	17.6	16.2	16.8	8.9	8.9	8.9	0.1	0.2	0.3	"

- 61. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. F. Hards, on behalf of Mr. W. Moody, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house and shop, at the corner of Annandale-road, Lower Woolwich-road, to the line shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the house and shop therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the space coloured Blue upon the Plan, be given up to form part of the public way, and that in other respects the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 62. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Wall, on behalf of Mr. S. J. Clegg, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of Nos. 92 to 102, New-cross-road, Deptford, to the line shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 63. HAMMERSMITH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1885, on Letters from Mr. T. E. Knightley, District Surveyor, and the Vestry of Hammersmith, relative to the erection of a house by the School Board for London, in Paradise-row, in alleged advance of the general line of buildings.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letters be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 64. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st May, 1886, on the application of Mr. N. H. F. Miles, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a temporary shelter on the forecourt of a house in West-end-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 65. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Rutt, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey addition and bay-window in front of No. 66, Finchley-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the addition and bay-window therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 66. ST. GEORGE, HANOVER-SQUARE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Sargeant, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in front of and upon land adjoining No. 42, Vauxhall-bridge-road, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 67. ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. T. Wimperis, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window and balcony in front of No. 9, Old Burlington-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the bay-window and balcony therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 68. ST. MARYLEBONE.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. Jackson, on behalf of Mr. H. Bingley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop front and cornice to the flank of No. 44, Baker-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 69. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1886, on the application of Mr. G. T. Hayes, on behalf of the Committee and Churchwardens of St. Michael's Church, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Parochial room and Sunday-school in Darley-road, Wandsworth-common, to the line shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, subject to the condition that the erection of the buildings therein referred to, be commenced within Six months, and be completed within Eighteen months from this date, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

- 70. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. C. Kynoch, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of barge-boards to a detached house (adjoining Wandsworth-common) in Baskerville-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 71. BERMONDSEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Hooker and Webb, on behalf of Mr. Burt, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and iron building at the rear of Nos. 114 and 116, Spa-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 72. HAMPSTEAD.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June 1886, on the application of Mr. C. W. Barlow, for approval by the Board of a Plan showing the construction of a greenhouse, with wooden enclosures, recently erected at the rear of Lower Mount Cottage, in South-end-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 73. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1886, on the application of Messrs. Croggon and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and iron building at the rear of Bethesda-house, No. 364, Kennington-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 74. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. A. Kent, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the

construction of a chimney-shaft at the fancy box manufactory in Clarence-street, Stockwell.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

75. LEWISHAM.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. L. Cook, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary wood and iron building at the rear of Hampton-villa, Wells-road, Sydenham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

76. PLUMSTEAD.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. J. Gardiner, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary wood and iron Mission-hall erected at Pope-street, Eltham.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, for a further period of Two years from this date, upon condition that the Owner do accept the License, prepared under the provisions of the Amendment Act, 1882, to secure the due removal of the building.

77. ROTHERHITHE.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Thomas, on behalf of Messrs. Gillman and Spencer, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an addition to a chimney-shaft at No. 102, Rotherhithe-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the existing substructure be inspected and found by the District Surveyor to be sound and suitable to receive and sustain the proposed superstructure, and that the whole of the work be executed to his satisfaction.

78. WOOLWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Whiddington, on behalf of Mr. W. J. Harris, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a wood and iron shed at the rear of No. 54, Powis-street.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be not granted.

79. HAMMERSMITH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. G. Heywood, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road to lead out of Queen-street, and of the name “Carnforth-road, W.,” for the same.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

80. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, on a Letter from Mr. W. Stotesbury, relative to the erection of barriers across Upcot and Blockhouse Streets, Canterbury-road, Deptford, contrary to the conditions of the Board's Resolution of the 25th February, 1881 (No. 93).

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the said Letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

81. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1886, on the application of Mr. D. Haylock, on behalf of Mr. R. Davis and Messrs. Leach, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and name of a road between Trinity-road and Heathfield-road, Wandsworth-common.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 82. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. W. Stanbury, on behalf of Mr. H. N. Corsellis, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation and names of two roads to lead out of the North side of Clapham-common.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 83. BERMONDSEY.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. E. Crosse, on behalf of Mr. W. R. Bray, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an addition to a workshop in Horney-lane, with openings in the external walls, in excess of the limit prescribed by the 13th Section of the Building Act, 1855.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 84. WANDSWORTH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. T. J. Bailey, on behalf of the School Board for London, for approval by this Board of a Plan for the construction of an open play-shed at the Schools, in Ponton-road, Nine-elms-lane, Battersea.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

- 85. GREENWICH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th June, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Roberts, on behalf of Mr. G. H. Boncey, for a Certificate by the Board, under the Metropolis Management and Building Acts Amendment Act, 1878, with respect to a new Lodge-room on the first floor of the Portland Hotel, No. 77, London-street, as shown upon the drawings accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

- 86. LAMBETH.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. H. Parsons, District Surveyor, for the appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in superintending the erection of a two-storey building at No. 381, Brixton-road, which was subsequently pulled down without having been previously roofed in.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 87. ST. PANCRAS.**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. V. J. Grose, District Surveyor, for appointment by the Board of a Fee for a special service performed by him in obtaining the removal of a timber building irregularly erected at Bangor Wharf, Camden-town.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advise the Committee thereon.

- 88. CHELSEA (NORTH).**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, stating that Mr. S. F. Clarkson, District Surveyor for the District of North Chelsea, proposed that his District Office should be at No. 36, Sydney-street.

It was moved by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and resolved—That the situation of the said District Office be approved.

- 89. CHELSEA (SOUTH).**—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, stating that Mr. T. E. Mundy, District Surveyor for the District of South Chelsea, proposed that his District Office should be at No. 301, King's-road.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the situation of the said District Office be approved.

90. METROPOLIS.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, submitting, for the Seal of the Board, Licenses and Plans, in duplicate, in respect of a temporary Mission-room, erected in Margravine-gardens, Fulham, and an iron Church in Rectory-road, Stoke Newington.

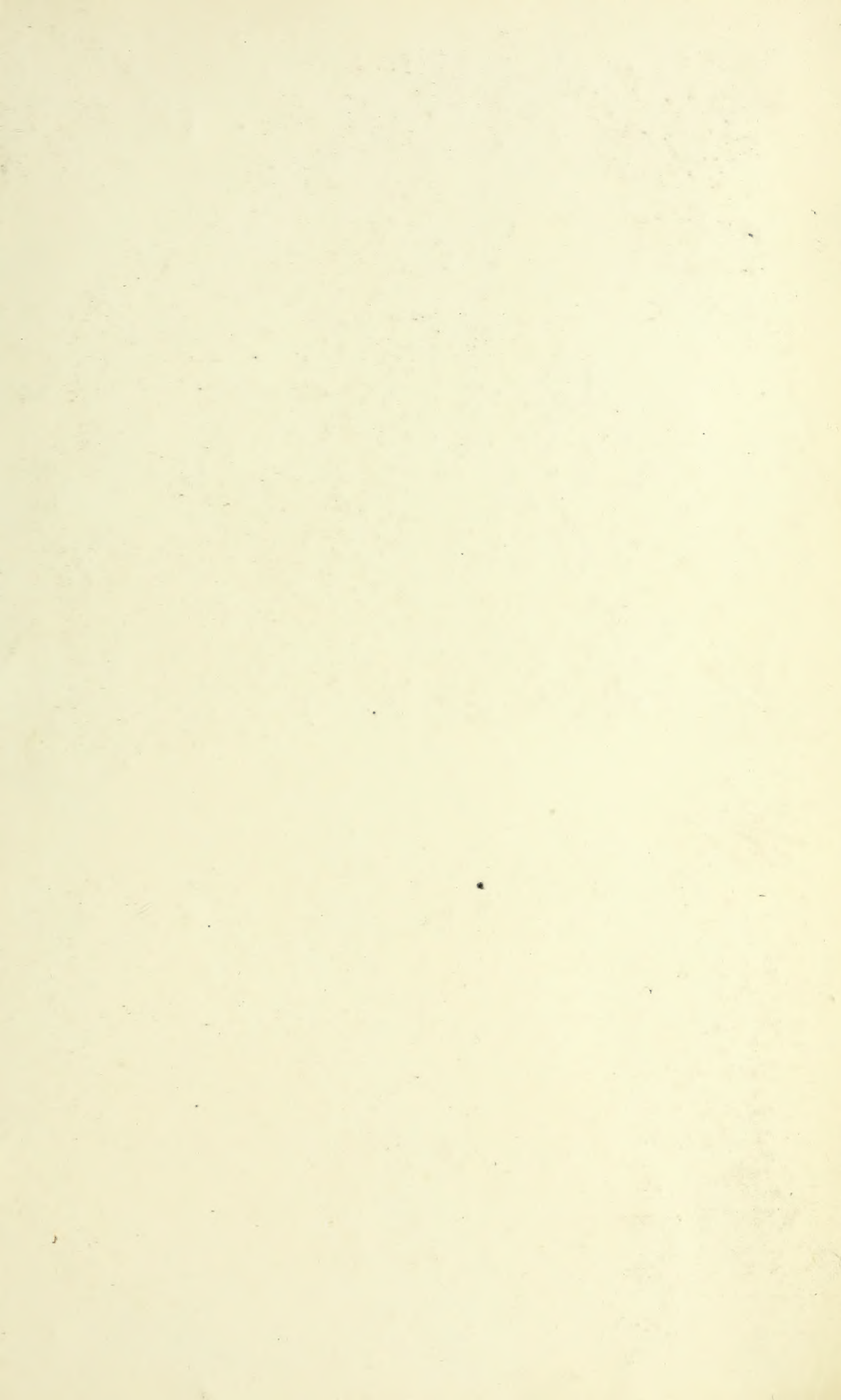
It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses and Plans, in duplicate; and the Seal ~~was~~ affixed accordingly.

91. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1886, on the application of Mr. J. Linsell, on behalf of Mr. J. Stapleton, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft at the rear of "The Brooklands," Stoke Newington-common.

It was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*—That the application be granted, upon condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act, 1855, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

92. ISLINGTON (NORTH-WEST).—Read a communication from Mr. Frederic Hammond, District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of North-West Islington, dated 21st June, 1886, notifying that certain alterations to No. 561, Holloway-road, were about to be carried out under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was *moved* by Mr. Ewin, seconded, and *resolved*, and *ordered*, as follows—~~Whereas~~ Mr. Frederic Hammond, District Surveyor for the District of North-West Islington, did, on the 21st day of June, 1886, give notice to this Board that he, the said Frederic Hammond, was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain alterations to No. 561, Holloway-road, and the said Frederic Hammond has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is *ordered* by this Board—That Mr. George M^cDonell, District Surveyor for the District of South-West Islington, be appointed by this Board, and the said George M^cDonell is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

Adjourned until Friday, the 2nd July next,
at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

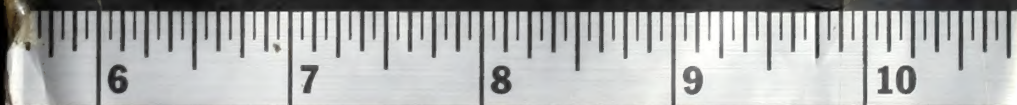


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